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Public Official Position

Homeless Commission Commissioner

Narrative

This complaint is related to a complaint already filed against city councilor Shelly Briggs Loosely who is married to the UCAN CEO in Roseburg Oregon and Shaun Pritchard is the working and full time paid employee CEO of UCAN plus Homeless Commission Commissioner. Summary of Allegations: Mr. Sean Pritchard simultaneously held the position of acting (now confirmed full-time and paid) CEO of UCAN, a nonprofit organization, while serving as a public official on the City of Roseburg Homeless Commission. During this time, he actively promoted, coordinated, and influenced a public process that led to: The City of Roseburg purchasing UCAN's property at 948 SE Mill Street, The renovation of that building using public funds, and The award of a \$3.25 million sole-source contract to UCAN to operate the Navigation Center at that site. Each of these steps directly benefited UCAN financially, while Mr. Pritchard maintained decision-making authority and participation on the public commission overseeing the matter. Key Facts Supporting the Complaint: Mr. Pritchard began presenting the "3-phase concept" (property sale, renovation, operations contract) in late 2021, both to city staff and to UCAN's board (then chaired by Steve Loosley, the spouse of Councilor Shelly Briggs-Loosley). He participated in site tours of the UCAN building and discussions with the city's property acquisition group ("Group of 4") and other officials without recusing himself. He did not recuse from discussions until the January 2022 Homeless Commission meeting — after a conflict-of-interest letter was submitted to city officials. He directed a UCAN staff member to speak in favor of the operations contract at the February 2022 Homeless Commission meeting, which led to the contract being awarded to UCAN. UCAN had no prior experience operating homeless shelters or navigation centers. No new RFP was issued despite major changes in scope (a city-owned site and increased grant funding), effectively precluding any competitive alternatives. A former UCAN board member (identity confidential) later stated that Mr. Pritchard had pitched this entire 3-phase type deal in late 2021 which is consistent with public comments by others. Violations of Oregon Ethics Law: Under ORS 244.040, a public official may not use or attempt to use their position to obtain a financial benefit for themselves or an associated business. As the paid CEO of UCAN, Mr. Pritchard was directly associated with the organization that: Sold a property to the city, Received renovation funding, Was awarded a multi-million-dollar operational contract — all within a process he helped initiate and shape. Under ORS 244.120, public officials are required to declare and recuse themselves from actual conflicts of interest. Mr. Pritchard's limited abstention from voting — after promoting and arranging the deal — did not satisfy the ethical standard. Request for Investigation: I respectfully request that OGEK initiate a formal investigation into Mr. Pritchard's conduct, including: His participation in and influence over the Navigation Center deal, His role in excluding competitive alternatives, And any potential benefit received by UCAN or himself in connection with these actions. As part of this investigation, it is recommended that OGEK review minutes, recordings, and communications from UCAN Board of Directors meetings during the relevant period. Members of the UCAN Board should also be contacted and interviewed where appropriate to confirm details related to the planning, presentation, and approval of the 3-phase Navigation Center concept, as well as any concerns regarding financial practices including invoice inflation or the handling of grant funds. Respectfully submitted, Bernard J. Woodard

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Electronic Signature

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GALLAVER Lian * OGEC

From: Bernard Woodard : [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, March 30, 2025 6:48 PM
To: GALLAVER Lian * OGEC; FENSTERMAKER Casey * OGEC
Subject: Ethics Complaint Filing against Sean Pritchard UCAN CEO related to Shelly Briggs Loosely Complaint

Hi Casey and Lian,

This is the complaint I am filing this evening against Sean Pritchard who is another party involved with the Shelly Briggs Loosely investigation already open.

Thanks,

Bernie Woodard

Summary of Allegations:

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1. The City of Roseburg purchasing UCAN's property at 948 SE Mill Street,
2. The renovation of that building using public funds, and
3. The award of a \$3.25 million sole-source contract to UCAN to operate the Navigation Center at that site.

Each of these steps directly benefited UCAN financially, while Mr. Pritchard maintained decision-making authority and participation on the public commission overseeing the matter.

Key Facts Supporting the Complaint:

- Mr. Pritchard began presenting the "3-phase concept" (property sale, renovation, operations contract) in late 2021, both to city staff and to UCAN's board (then chaired by Steve Loosley, the spouse of Councilor Shelly Briggs-Loosley).
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- He did not recuse from discussions until the January 2022 Homeless Commission meeting — after a conflict-of-interest letter was submitted to city officials.

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 - UCAN had no prior experience operating homeless shelters or navigation centers.
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Violations of Oregon Ethics Law:

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- Sold a property to the city,
- Received renovation funding,
- Was awarded a multi-million-dollar operational contract — all within a process he helped initiate and shape.

Under **ORS 244.120**, public officials are required to declare and recuse themselves from actual conflicts of interest. Mr. Pritchard's limited abstention from voting — after promoting and arranging the deal — did not satisfy the ethical standard.

Request for Investigation:

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- His participation in and influence over the Navigation Center deal,
- His role in excluding competitive alternatives,
- And any potential benefit received by UCAN or himself in connection with these actions.

As part of this investigation, it is recommended that OGEC review minutes, recordings, and communications from UCAN Board of Directors meetings during the relevant period. Members of the UCAN Board should also be contacted and interviewed where appropriate to confirm details related to the planning, presentation, and approval of the 3-phase Navigation Center concept, as well as any concerns regarding financial practices including invoice inflation or the handling of grant funds.

Respectfully submitted,
Bernard J. Woodard