



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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August 21, 2015

Mr. Damien O'Bid
City Manager
City of Cotati

RE: Closure Letter; In the Matter of the City of Cotati; FPPC Case No. 14/1284

Dear Mr. O'Bid:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act")¹. In response to two sworn complaints, the Enforcement Division conducted an investigation into allegations that Cotati Neighbors for Measure G failed to accurately disclose its expenditures during the first half of 2014 in violation of Section 84211. The Enforcement Division's investigation did not find sufficient evidence to determine that the committee violated the Act, and a letter regarding this was sent on May 15, 2015. In addition, we examined communications sent by the City of Cotati to residents regarding Measure G. We found these mailings did not expressly advocate for the passage of measure G, nor did they unambiguously urge the passage of the measure. (Regulation 18420.1). As a result, we are closing this matter without any further action.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please feel free to contact me at [REDACTED]

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Zachary W. Norton
Commission Counsel
Enforcement Division

cc: George Barich

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in Sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations.