

MODIFICATION REQUEST COVER SHEET

Name of Filer	BEN JOHNSON
Reporting Period	<input type="checkbox"/> Annual report - calendar year <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate report (May 20, 2020 – May 19, 2021)
Type of Request	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal with No Change <input type="checkbox"/> Full Commission Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal with Change
Office Held/Sought & Term	City Council Member, City of Renton Candidate in Election Year 2021
Application Rule(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Income & Ownership Interest: WAC 390-28-100(1)(b) <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Residence: WAC 390-28-100(1)(d) <input type="checkbox"/> Attorney: WAC 390-28-100(1)(e)(i) <input type="checkbox"/> Judge / Judicial Candidate: WAC 390-28-100(1)(e)(ii) <input type="checkbox"/> Spousal: WAC 390-28-100(1)(e)(iv) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: WAC 390-28-100(1)(e)(iii)
Explanation of Rule(s)	<p style="text-align: center;">Income and ownership interests. An applicant may be exempted from reporting the information otherwise required by RCW 42.17A.710 (1)(f) and (g), if:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(i) Public disclosure would violate any legally recognized confidential relationship that serves a legitimate business interest;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(ii) The information does not relate to a business entity which would be subject to the regulatory authority of the office sought or held by the applicant in whole or in part;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(iii) Such reporting would present a manifestly unreasonable hardship to the applicant including but not limited to adversely affecting the competitive position of an entity in which the applicant had an interest of ten percent or more as described in RCW 42.17A.120; and</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(iv) The interest in question would present no actual or potential conflict with the performance of the duties of the office sought or held.</p>
Supporting Documents (attached)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Current F-1 (filed June 3, 2021) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Modification Application

Reason(s) for Modification (as stated by filer)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Johnson is requesting a new reporting modification that would exempt him from disclosing the business and other governmental customers that paid \$12,000 or more during the reporting period to Ben Johnson Computing dba JohnsonCN, of which he is 100% owner.• JohnsonCN provides IT support, has seven employees, annual sales of \$700,000 and 90 customers.• Mr. Johnson stated that although he is involved in the day-to-day operations of the company and has access to the list of customers, the customers are not publicly available.• Mr. Johnson stated that there are approximately ten reportable customers consisting of mostly churches, schools and one heavy construction company.• Mr. Johnson stated that JohnsonCN provides low-cost IT support services and that disclosing the reportable customers of his business would cause a competitive disadvantage.
Other Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Johnson has agreed to recuse him if a matter came before him involving a conflict of interest between and the City of Renton.• Mr. Johnson has confirmed that JohnsonCN has received no payments from the City of Renton.