

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Knute J. Nathe

Case No.: FEC 20-091

TO: Knute J. Nathe
36150 Markree Castle Avenue
Dade City, FL 33525

Dade City Clerk
38020 Meridian Avenue
Dade City, FL 33525

NOTICE OF HEARING (AUTOMATIC FINE)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission **on August 26, 2020 at 8:30 am, EST**, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard.

Please note that because of COVID-19, this will be a virtual meeting conducted by remote video or teleconference. Enclosed you will find additional details on joining the video conference via GoToWebinar, 9-Digit Meeting ID 602-468-659, or via teleconference by dialing (866) 901-6455 and entering the meeting access code 515-462-864, when prompted. If you wish to speak before the Commission, you will need to appear by webcam and will be sworn in remotely. Please be advised that the Commission will consider multiple cases, so you will need to wait until your case is considered. If you have any questions, please contact Commission staff at (850) 922-4539.

Failure to appear in accordance with this notice will constitute a waiver of your right to participate in the hearing. Continuances will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

This hearing will be conducted pursuant to Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, which governs your participation as follows:

If you are the Respondent, you may attend the hearing, and you or your attorney will have *5 minutes* to present your case to the Commission. However, some cases (including those in which motions to dismiss or recommendations for no probable cause are being considered) may be decided by an *en masse* vote and, unless you request to be heard or the Commission requests that your case be considered separately on the day of the hearing, your case will *not* be individually heard.

If you are the Complainant, you may attend the hearing, but you will *not* be permitted to address the Commission. In addition, some cases (including those in which motions to dismiss or recommendations for no probable cause are being considered) may be decided by an *en masse* vote and, unless the Respondent requests to be heard or the Commission requests that the case be considered separately on the day of the hearing, the case will *not* be individually heard.

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If you require an accommodation due to a disability, contact Donna Ann Malphurs at (850) 922-4539 or by mail at 107 West Gaines Street, The Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, at least 5 days before the hearing.

See further instructions on the reverse side.

Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
August 13, 2020

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Florida Elections Commission

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Commission Meeting August 26, 2020 at 8:30AM via GoToWebinar and OpenVoice

In order to participate in the public portion of the August 26, 2020, Florida Elections Commission meeting, please follow the instructions below:

- A. GoToWebinar – Remote Video Conferencing
 1. Open your web browser and search GoToWebinar or enter www.gotowebinar.com
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And your email address
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While this is a public meeting and advanced registration is not mandatory, we ask that if you plan to attend via Video Conference or Teleconference, that you notify our office in advance. This will give the Commission the opportunity to organize the agenda as efficiently as possible. It will be the goal of the Commission to hear cases in which parties are present, first, in order to reduce the standby time of the parties in attendance.

You can call or email our office of your intent to participate or of any questions you may have regarding this meeting. Please provide the case number(s) when contacting our office.

Thank you,

Commission Staff

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July 28, 2020

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
CASE REPORT
Case Number: FEC-20-091

NAME: KNUTE J. NATHE

DATE APPEAL RECEIVED: 04/11/20

DATE REPORT DUE: 03/20/20 (2020 G1)

DATE OF ELECTRONIC RECEIPT: 03/23/20

NUMBER OF DAYS LATE: 3

AMOUNT OF FINE: \$150.00

FINE BASED ON: (X) NUMBER OF DAYS (.) 25% OF RECEIPTS (..) 25% OF EXPENDITURES

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$1,243.50

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$650.27

DATE OF FIRST NOTIFICATION: 03/23/20

CANDIDATE [X]	STATE []
PC []	DISTRICT []
CCE []	COUNTY []
POLITICAL PARTY []	CITY [X]

SUMMARY: Knute J. Nathe, Esquire is a candidate for Dade City Commission, Group 4 in the 2020 elections. Lynn Smith is his treasurer.

Knute J. Nathe is appealing the fine claiming that he missed the deadline to file the report due to preparations surrounding Covid-19. According to Mr. Nathe, in response to Executive Orders, his employer began implementing measures for the firm's continuation of operations. During this time his office inadvertently neglected to place the due date on the calendar. On March 23rd, he received a phone call from the Pasco County SOE advising him of the late G1 report. He states that he filed shortly after. Mr. Nathe has included attachments regarding each order that was issued during this period of time.

- The 2020 G1 Original Report covers the period from 03/01/20-03/13/20; it was due on 03/20/20.
- The 2020 G1 Report shows that it was filed on 03/23/20.
- Knute J. Nathe reported receiving 15 contributions, while making 3 expenditures.
- The Pasco County Supervisor of Elections does not have any notes that pertain to Mr. Nathe's 2020 G1 report. However, Ms. Angie Guy (Municipal Clerk) did provide an email dated 03/23/20 from Mr. Nathe in response to the fine.

PRIOR CASES: None

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Re: Notice of Appeal from Automatic Fine (F.S. 106.07(8))

From: Donna Malphurs <Donna.Malphurs@myfloridalegal.com> on behalf of Florida Elections Commission <fec@myfloridalegal.com>
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 12:00 AM
To: Br'Axeton Wims <Braxeton.Wims@myfloridalegal.com>
Subject: Fw: Notice of Appeal from Automatic Fine (F.S. 106.07(8))

Please process. Thanks.

----- Forwarded by Donna Malphurs/OAG on 04/13/2020 12:00 AM -----

From: "Knute Nathe" <k.john.nathe@gmail.com>
To: fec@myfloridalegal.com
Cc: lsmith@mcclainalfonso.com, "Angelia Guy" <aguy@dadecityfl.com>
Date: 04/11/2020 05:03 PM
Subject: Notice of Appeal from Automatic Fine (F.S. 106.07(8))

Dear Clerk:

I have attached hereto a notice of appeal from automatic fine, along with the referenced attachments.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

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Knute Nathe

(See attached file: Dade City EO 2020-01.pdf)(See attached file: Dade City EO 2020-02.pdf)(See attached file: AOSC20-15.pdf)(See attached file: EO_20-51.pdf)(See attached file: EO_20-97.pdf)(See attached file: G1 Financial Report.pdf)(See attached file: EO_20-52.pdf)(See attached file: Notice of Payment Due.pdf)(See attached file: Pasco County Local State of Emergency.pdf)(See attached file: Notice of Appeal.pdf)

Supreme Court of Florida

No. AOSC20-15

IN RE: COVID-19 ESSENTIAL AND CRITICAL TRIAL COURT
PROCEEDINGS

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

WHEREAS the World Health Organization has declared the outbreak of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) a pandemic, the Governor of Florida has declared a state of emergency exists, and the Surgeon General and State Health Officer has declared a public health emergency exists; and

WHEREAS the Florida State Courts System must continue to take steps to mitigate the effects of COVID-19 on the courts, court participants, and the general public; and

WHEREAS *In re COVID-19 Emergency Procedures in the Florida State Courts*, Fla. Admin. Order No. AOSC20-13 (March 13, 2020), suspended grand jury proceedings, jury selection proceedings, and criminal and civil jury trials during the period of Monday, March 16, 2020, through Friday, March 27, 2020, or as provided by subsequent order; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this order to require each circuit and county court in the State of Florida to fulfill its responsibility to conduct essential proceedings and proceedings critical to the state of emergency or the public health emergency, while suspending other proceedings as necessary to mitigate the effects of such operations on COVID-19 exposure; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this order to direct the chief judge of each circuit court to cancel or postpone court proceedings other than essential proceedings and proceedings critical to the state of emergency and public health emergency, unless the chief judge determines that other proceedings or events can be effectively conducted remotely without the necessity of in-person court appearances;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the administrative authority conferred upon me by article V, section 2(b) of the Florida Constitution and Florida Rules of Judicial Administration 2.205(a)(2)(B)(iv) and 2.205(a)(2)(B)(v),

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. All circuit and county courts shall continue to perform essential court proceedings, including but not limited to: first appearance; criminal arraignments as necessary; hearings on motions to set or modify monetary bail for individuals who are in custody; juvenile dependency shelter hearings; juvenile delinquency detention hearings; hearings on petitions for temporary injunctions relating to

safety of an individual; hearings on petitions for risk protection orders; hearings on petitions for the appointment of an emergency temporary guardian; hearings to determine whether an individual should be involuntarily committed under the Baker Act or the Marchman Act; and hearings on petitions for extraordinary writs as necessary to protect constitutional rights.

2. In addition to essential proceedings, all circuit and county courts shall perform, as necessary and applicable, critical proceedings related to the state of emergency or the public health emergency, including but not limited to proceedings related to: violation of quarantine or isolation; violation of orders to limit travel; violation of orders to close public or private buildings; and enforcement of curfew orders.

3. In conducting essential proceedings and proceedings critical to the state of emergency or the public health emergency, circuit and county courts shall employ all methods practicable to minimize risk of COVID-19 exposure to individuals involved in the proceedings or the general public.

4. Nothing in this order limits the ability of the chief judge, consistent with the chief judge's authority and responsibilities under article V, section 2(d) of the Florida Constitution and Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, to determine that additional proceedings, other than those suspended by Administrative Order No. AOSC20-13, are essential or are critical to the state of emergency or the public

health emergency. However, no proceedings or other court events other than essential proceedings and proceedings critical to the state of emergency or the public health emergency shall be conducted through in-person hearings until such time as the public health emergency is resolved, or as provided by subsequent order.

5. Each chief judge shall review cases and court events and the communications technology resources available to the circuit, each county, and each judge. The chief judge shall issue directives to the judges of the respective circuit and county courts to reschedule, postpone, or cancel all non-essential and non-critical court proceedings and events unless the chief judge determines that such other specific proceedings or events can be effectively conducted remotely using telephonic or other electronic means available in the subject jurisdiction without the necessity of in-person court appearances.

6. This order shall take effect immediately and extends until the close of business on Friday, March 27, 2020, or as provided by subsequent order. The provisions of Administrative Order No. AOSC20-13 remain in force. Additional orders extending or modifying these measures will be issued as warranted by changing circumstances during the public health emergency.

DONE AND ORDERED at Tallahassee, Florida, on March 17, 2020.

Chief Justice Charles T. Canady

ATTEST:

John A. Tomasino, Clerk of Court



CITY OF DADE CITY

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James D. Shive, Commissioner

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-01

EXECUTIVE ORDER ISSUED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 2020 – 02, WHICH DECLARED A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) FOR THE CITY OF DADE CITY

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the City Commission of the City of Dade City passed Resolution No. 2020-02 to declare a state of emergency in the City of Dade City as a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Section 1(2) of Resolution No. 2020-02 vests the following authority in the City Manager:

The City Manager (reference to whom shall also encompass the Acting City Manager) is authorized to take all actions necessary and appropriate to protect human life and property, including the promulgation of rules and orders as may be necessary subject to the limitations of Section 252.33, Florida Statutes. This Resolution further authorizes the City Manager to utilize all lawful authority granted to the City of Dade City by Federal, State, County, or City Emergency Management Laws, Rules, Regulations, Orders and, including, but not limited to, Section 252.46 and Section 252.38(3)(a)(1) through Section 252.38(3)(a)(5), Florida Statutes, inclusive.

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 20-52 regarding COVID-19 and declared a state of emergency in the State of Florida, and authorized each political subdivision of the State to "waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of the political subdivision by law pertaining to . . . [the] [p]erformance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;" and

WHEREAS, it has become apparent based on federal and state directives that the convening of the next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Commission on Tuesday, March 24, 2020, will pose a health risk to City officials, City staff, and members of the public who wish to attend the meeting; and

WHEREAS, federal and state directives regarding social distancing and gathering of assemblies greater than 10 people make the holding of the March 24th City Commission a probable threat to the health, safety, and welfare of those in attendance; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority vested in the City Manager by the City Commission's declaration of a state of emergency and the Governor's Executive Order, the City Manager has determined that there is a compelling need to cancel the March 24th City Commission meeting and take other action to deal with business matters on the March 24th agenda.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Manager issues the following executive order:

SECTION 1. The City Commission meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 24, 2020, is hereby cancelled.

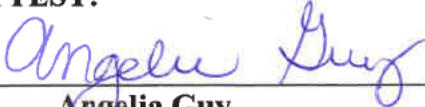
SECTION 2. The two agenda items on the agenda of the March 24th City Commission meeting are hereby continued and to the City Commission meeting scheduled on April 28, 2020, at 5:30 p.m., and the public hearings that were to have been conducted as part of those agenda items are rescheduled for April 28, 2020, at 5:30 p.m.

SECTION 3. The Director of Community Development or her designee is directed to provide notice of the rescheduled public hearings by doing the following:


- (a) Notify the owner of the property and his attorneys of the rescheduled meeting.
- (b) Post a notice of the rescheduled public hearing on the City's website and in a conspicuous place in City Hall.
- (c) Post a land use change information sign in a conspicuous place on the subject property.
- (d) Send written notice of the rescheduled public hearing by regular USPS mail service to all property owners within 300 feet of the subject property and to any other person or entity that has received written notice of any previous action on the two matters that will be considered by the City Commission.
- (e) Email a copy of this Executive Order to any media outlet that covers the City of Dade City and has requested notice of meetings of the City Commission.
- (f) Provide notice of the rescheduled public hearing in any other manner to ensure that any person having interest in the matter is informed of the rescheduled public hearing.

SECTION 4. If a need arises to reschedule the April 28th City Commission meeting, an executive order similar to this one will be issued. This Executive Order takes effect immediately.

ATTEST:



Angelia Guy
City Clerk



Leslie Porter
City Manager

Date: March 19, 2020



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WHEREAS, federal and state directives regarding social distancing and gathering of assemblies greater than 10 people and reported cases of COVID-19 and deaths from COVID-19 make it necessary to extend the declaration of the state of emergency as authorized by Section 252.38(3)(a)(5) be extended for an additional seven (7) days

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor issues the following executive order:

SECTION 1. The state of emergency declared in Resolution No. 2020-02 is hereby extended beginning on 12:01 a.m. on Monday, March 23, 2020, and shall extend until 11:59 p.m. on March 29, 2020, and will continue thereafter as may be extended by official action.

SECTION 2. The City Manager concurs with the extension of the state of emergency and will continue to have all authority vested in the City Manager by Resolution No. 2020-02.

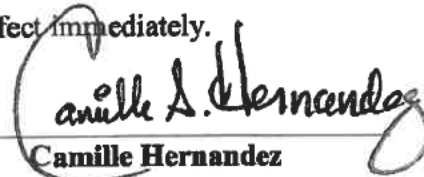
SECTION 3. The City Clerk shall provide notice of this executive order by posting it on the City website, providing it to local media, and posting a copy of the executive order in a conspicuous place in City Hall and the Police Department.

SECTION 4. This Executive Order takes effect immediately.

ATTEST:



Angelia Guy
City Clerk



Camille Hernandez
Mayor

Date: March 19, 2020

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STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 20-51

(Establishes COVID-19 Response Protocol and Directs Public Health Emergency)

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among humans through respiratory transmission and presents with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and

WHEREAS, in late 2019, a new and significant outbreak of COVID-19 emerged in China; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; and

WHEREAS, in response to the recent COVID-19 outbreak in China, Iran, Italy and South Korea, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) has deemed it necessary to prohibit or restrict non-essential travel to or from those countries; and

WHEREAS, in response to the recent COVID-19 outbreak in Japan, the CDC has advised older travelers and those with chronic medical conditions to avoid nonessential travel and all travelers to exercise enhanced precautions; and

WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends community preparedness and everyday prevention measures be taken by all individuals and families in the United States, including voluntary home isolation when individuals are sick with respiratory symptoms, covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue and disposal of the tissue immediately thereafter, washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, use of alcohol-based hand sanitizers with 60%-95%

alcohol if soap and water are not readily available and routinely cleaning frequently touched surfaces and objects to increase community resilience and readiness for responding to an outbreak; and

WHEREAS, two individuals in the State of Florida tested presumptively positive for COVID-19, including a resident of Manatee County and a resident of Hillsborough County; and

WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends mitigation measures in communities with COVID-19 cases, including staying at home when sick, keeping away from others who are sick and staying at home when a household member is sick with respiratory disease symptoms or if instructed to do so by public health officials or a health care provider; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate to take action to ensure that COVID-19 remains controlled and that residents and visitors in Florida remain safe and secure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section (1)(a) of the Florida Constitution, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order to take immediate effect:

Section 1. Because of the foregoing conditions, I direct the State Health Officer and Surgeon General, Dr. Scott Rivkees, to declare a public health emergency in the State of Florida, pursuant to his authority in section 381.00315, Florida Statutes. The State Health Officer is authorized and directed to use his judgment as to the duration of this public health emergency.

Section 2. In accordance with section 381.0011(7), Florida Statutes, I direct the State Health Officer to take any action necessary to protect the public health.

Section 3. I direct the State Health Officer to follow the guidelines established by the CDC in establishing protocols to control the spread of COVID-19 and educate the public on prevention.

Section 4. In accordance with section 381.0011(7), Florida Statutes, I designate the Florida Department of Health as the lead state agency to coordinate emergency response activities among the various state agencies and local governments. The State Health Officer, or his designee, shall advise the Executive Office of the Governor on the implementation of these emergency response activities.

Section 5. All actions taken by the State Health Officer with respect to this emergency before the issuance of this Executive Order are ratified.

Section 6. The Florida Department of Health will actively monitor, at a minimum, all persons meeting the definition of a Person Under Investigation (“PUI”) as defined by the CDC for COVID-19 for a period of at least 14 days or until the PUI tests negative for COVID-19. Active monitoring by the Florida Department of Health will include at least the following:

- A. Risk assessment within 24 hours of learning an individual meets the criteria for a PUI.
- B. Twice-daily temperature checks.

Section 7. The Florida Department of Health, pursuant to its authority in section 381.00315, Florida Statutes, will ensure that all individuals meeting the CDC’s definition of a PUI are isolated or quarantined for a period of 14 days or until the person tests negative for COVID-19.

Section 8. I hereby direct the Florida Department of Health to make its own determinations as to quarantine, isolation and other necessary public health interventions as permitted under Florida law.

Section 9. I direct all agencies under the direction of the Governor to fully cooperate with the Florida Department of Health, and any representative thereof in furtherance of this Order.

Agencies not under the direction of the Governor are requested to provide such assistance as is required.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 1st day of March, 2020.



RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 20-52

(Emergency Management - COVID-19 Public Health Emergency)

WHEREAS, Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among humans through respiratory transmission and presents with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and

WHEREAS, in late 2019, a new and significant outbreak of COVID-19 emerged in China; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization previously declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; and

WHEREAS, in response to the recent COVID-19 outbreak in China, Iran, Italy, Japan and South Korea, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) has deemed it necessary to prohibit or restrict non-essential travel to or from those countries; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, I issued Executive Order number 20-51 directing the Florida Department of Health to issue a Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, the State Surgeon General and State Health Officer declared a Public Health Emergency exists in the State of Florida as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, I directed the Director of the Division of Emergency Management to activate the State Emergency Operations Center to Level 2 to provide coordination and response to the COVID-19 emergency; and

WHEREAS, as of March 9, 2020, eight counties in Florida have positive cases for COVID-19, and COVID-19 poses a risk to the entire state of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends community preparedness and everyday prevention measures be taken by all individuals and families in the United States, including voluntary home isolation when individuals are sick with respiratory symptoms, covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue and disposal of the tissue immediately thereafter, washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, using of alcohol-based hand sanitizers with 60%-95% alcohol if soap and water are not readily available and routinely cleaning frequently touched surfaces and objects to increase community resilience and readiness for responding to an outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends mitigation measures for communities experiencing an outbreak including staying at home when sick, keeping away from others who are sick, limiting face-to-face contact with others as much as possible, consulting with your healthcare provider if individuals or members of a household are at high risk for COVID-19 complications, wearing a facemask if advised to do so by a healthcare provider or by a public health official, staying home when a household member is sick with respiratory disease symptoms if instructed to do so by public health officials or a health care provider; and

WHEREAS, as Governor, I am responsible for meeting the dangers presented to this state and its people by this emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section (1)(a) of the Florida Constitution, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order to take immediate effect:

Section 1. Because of the foregoing conditions, I declare a state of emergency exists in the State of Florida.

Section 2. I designate the Director of the Division of Emergency Management (“Director”) as the State Coordinating Officer for the duration of this emergency and direct him to execute the State’s Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and other response, recovery, and mitigation plans necessary to cope with the emergency. Additionally, I designate the State Health Officer and Surgeon General as a Deputy State Coordinating Officer and State Incident Commander.

Pursuant to section 252.36(1)(a), Florida Statutes, I delegate to the State Coordinating Officer the authority to exercise those powers delineated in sections 252.36(5)-(10), Florida Statutes, which he shall exercise as needed to meet this emergency, subject to the limitations of section 252.33, Florida Statutes. In exercising the powers delegated by this Order, the State Coordinating Officer shall confer with the Governor to the fullest extent practicable. The State Coordinating Officer shall also have the authority to:

A. Seek direct assistance and enter into agreements with any and all agencies of the United States Government as may be needed to meet the emergency.

B. Designate additional Deputy State Coordinating Officers, as necessary.

C. Suspend the effect of any statute, rule, or order that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay any mitigation, response, or recovery action necessary to cope with this emergency.

D. Enter orders as may be needed to implement any of the foregoing powers; however, the requirements of sections 252.46 and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, do not apply to any such orders issued by the State Coordinating Officer; however, no such order shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, to include any extension.

Section 3. I order the Adjutant General to activate the Florida National Guard, as needed, to deal with this emergency.

Section 4. I find that the special duties and responsibilities resting upon some State, regional, and local agencies and other governmental bodies in responding to the emergency may require them to suspend the application of the statutes, rules, ordinances, and orders they administer. Therefore, I issue the following authorizations:

A. Pursuant to section 252.36(1)(a), Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor may suspend all statutes and rules affecting budgeting to the extent necessary to provide budget authority for state agencies to cope with this emergency. The requirements of sections 252.46 and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, do not apply to any such suspension issued by the Executive Office of the Governor; however, no such suspension shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, to include any extension.

B. Each State agency may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of that agency, if strict compliance with the provisions of any such statute, order, or rule would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency. This includes, but is not limited to, the authority to suspend any and all statutes, rules, ordinances, or orders which affect leasing, printing, purchasing, travel, and the condition of employment and the compensation of employees. For the purposes of this Executive Order, “necessary action in coping with the emergency” means any emergency mitigation, response, or recovery action: (1) prescribed in the State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (“CEMP”); or (2) ordered by the State Coordinating Officer. The requirements of sections 252.46 and 120.54, Florida Statutes, shall not apply to any such suspension issued by a State agency; however, no such suspension shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, to include any extensions.

C. In accordance with section 465.0275, Florida Statutes, pharmacists may dispense up to a 30-day emergency prescription refill of maintenance medication to persons who reside in an area or county covered under this Executive Order and to emergency personnel who have been activated by their state and local agency but who do not reside in an area or county covered by this Executive Order.

D. In accordance with section 252.38, Florida Statutes, each political subdivision within the State of Florida may waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of the political subdivision by law pertaining to:

1) Performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;

2) Entering into contracts; however, political subdivisions are cautioned against entering into time and materials contracts without ceiling as defined by 2 CFR 200.318(j) or cost plus percentage contracts as defined by 2 CFR 200.323(d);

3) Incurring obligations;

4) Employment of permanent and temporary workers;

5) Utilization of volunteer workers;

6) Rental of equipment;

7) Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials, and facilities; and,

8) Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

E. All State agencies responsible for the use of State buildings and facilities may close such buildings and facilities in those portions of the State affected by this emergency, to the extent necessary to meet this emergency. I direct each State agency to report the closure of any State

building or facility to the Secretary of the Department of Management Services. Under the authority contained in section 252.36, Florida Statutes, I direct each County to report the closure of any building or facility operated or maintained by the County or any political subdivision therein to the Secretary of the Department of Management Services. Furthermore, I direct the Secretary of the Department of Management Services to:

- 1) Maintain an accurate and up-to-date list of all such closures; and,
- 2) Provide that list daily to the State Coordinating Officer.

Section 5. I find that the demands placed upon the funds appropriated to the agencies of the State of Florida and to local agencies are unreasonably great and the funds currently available may be inadequate to pay the costs of coping with this emergency. In accordance with section 252.37(2), Florida Statutes, I direct that sufficient funds be made available, as needed, by transferring and expending moneys appropriated for other purposes, moneys from unappropriated surplus funds, or from the Budget Stabilization Fund.

Section 6. All State agencies entering emergency final orders or other final actions in response to this emergency shall advise the State Coordinating Officer contemporaneously or as soon as practicable.

Section 7. Medical professionals and workers, social workers, and counselors with good and valid professional licenses issued by states other than the State of Florida may render such services in Florida during this emergency for persons affected by this emergency with the condition that such services be rendered to such persons free of charge, and with the further condition that such services be rendered under the auspices of the American Red Cross or the Florida Department of Health.

Section 8. All activities taken by the Director of the Division of Emergency Management and the State Health Officer and Surgeon General with respect to this emergency before the issuance of this Executive Order are ratified. This Executive Order shall expire sixty days from this date unless extended.



ATTEST:

Laurel McKee
SECRETARY OF STATE

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 9th day of March, 2020.

[Signature]

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

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STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 20-97

(Emergency Management – COVID-19 - Municipal Elections in Pasco County)

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, I issued Executive Order number 20-51 directing the Florida Department of Health to issue a Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, the State Surgeon General and State Health Officer declared a Public Health Emergency exists in the State of Florida as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, I issued Executive Order 20-52 declaring a state of emergency for the entire State of Florida as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2020, I issued Executive Order 20-91, as amended by Executive Order 20-92, limiting the movement of senior citizens, individuals with significant underlying medical conditions and all persons, except when providing or obtaining essential services and essential activities, effective through April 30, 2020, unless extended by subsequent order; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a special act, the date of any municipal election in Pasco County shall be held on the second Tuesday of April of the calendar year, *see* Laws of Fla. ch. 84-506 § 3; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 101.733(1), Florida Statutes, the Supervisor of Elections for Pasco County, who is conducting elections for certain municipalities, has requested on his

behalf, a delay of certain municipal elections scheduled in the month of April, due to the ongoing emergency condition (a copy of his letter is attached); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate to take additional action to ensure that the spread of COVID-19 is slowed, and that residents and visitors in Florida remain safe and secure.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 1(a) of the Florida Constitution, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, the Florida Elections Emergency Act, Sections 101.733 – 101.74, Florida Statutes, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order to take immediate effect:

Section 1. Based on the foregoing, I declare an existing and continuing possibility of an emergency before and during the scheduled municipal elections. In order to ensure maximum citizen participation in the electoral process and provide a safe and orderly procedure for persons seeking to exercise their right to vote, to minimize citizen exposure to danger during this emergency, and to protect the integrity of the electoral process, I hereby declare that an election emergency exists in Pasco County.

Section 2. The municipal elections scheduled on April 14, 2020, for the cities of San Antonio, Dade City, and Zephyrhills in Pasco County, are hereby delayed.

Section 3. Pursuant to section 101.733(2), Florida Statutes, upon consultation with the Secretary of State, I will issue a subsequent Executive Order rescheduling the elections as soon as is practicable.

Section 4. I direct the Supervisor of Elections for Pasco County, in conjunction with the municipal clerks from the affected municipalities, to activate and follow the “Comprehensive Emergency Suspension Plan” contained in 1S-9.005, Florida Administrative Code.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 8th day of April, 2020.



RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

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Brian E. Corley
Supervisor of Elections

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April 2, 2020

The Honorable Ron DeSantis
Governor of Florida
400 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dear Governor DeSantis:

My office by special act is responsible for conducting all municipal elections in Pasco County. On Tuesday, April 14, 2020, the City of San Antonio, City of Dade City, and City of Zephyrhills are scheduled for municipal elections. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic and pursuant to your recent Executive Orders, I have discussed with each city my safety concerns for the citizens, our poll workers, and my staff at the various election precincts. Pursuant to Florida Statute Section 101.733(1), I am respectfully requesting you issue an Executive Order based on the current pandemic and delay the elections scheduled for April 14, 2020 to the August 18, 2020 scheduled primary election. Said request is consistent with providing and ensuring the health and safety of the voters, employees, and poll workers in the upcoming election.

I appreciate your timely consideration and assistance.

Sincerely,

Honorable Brian E. Corley
Supervisor of Elections for Pasco County

cc: Laurel M. Lee, Secretary of State
Maria Matthews, Esquire, Division of Elections, Director
Angie Guy, Master Municipal Clerk, City of Dade City
William Poe, City Clerk, Zephyrhills, Florida
Rick Alley, City Clerk, San Antonio, Florida

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY

(1) Knute J. Nathe
 Name
 (2) 36150 Markree Castle Avenue
 Address (number and street)
Dade City, FL 33525
 City, State, Zip Code

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 [1202410]

Submitted on:
 3/23/2020 12:04:30 (eastern)

Check here if address has changed

(3) ID Number: 1209

(4) Check appropriate box(es):

- Candidate Office Sought: DC City Commission Group 4
- Political Committee (PC)
- Electioneering Communications Org. (ECO) Check here if PC or ECO has disbanded
- Party Executive Committee (PTY) Check here if PTY has disbanded
- Independent Expenditure (IE) (also covers an individual making electioneering communications) Check here if no other IE or EC reports will be filed

(5) Report Identifiers

Cover Period: From 3 / 1 / 2020 To 3 / 13 / 2020 Report Type: G1

Original Amendment Special Election Report

(6) Contributions This Report

Cash & Checks \$, 1 , 140 . 00

Loans \$, , 0 . 00

Total Monetary \$, 1 , 140 . 00

In-Kind \$, , 103 . 50

(7) Expenditures This Report

Monetary Expenditures \$, , 650 . 27

Transfers to Office Account \$, , 0 . 00

Total Monetary \$, , 650 . 27

(8) Other Distributions

\$, , 0 . 00

(9) TOTAL Monetary Contributions To Date

\$, 2 , 415 . 00

(10) TOTAL Monetary Expenditures To Date

\$, 1 , 065 . 79

(11) Certification

It is a first degree misdemeanor for any person to falsify a public record (ss. 839.13, F.S.)

I certify that I have examined this report and it is true, correct, and complete:

(Type name) _____
 Individual (only for IE or electioneering comm.) Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

X _____
 Signature

(Type name) _____
 Candidate Chairperson (only for PC and PTY)

X _____
 Signature

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

(1) Name Knute J. Nathe (2) I.D. Number 1209
 3/1/2020 3/13/2020
 (3) Cover Period _____ / _____ / _____ through _____ / _____ / _____ (4) Page 1 of 2

(5) Date	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Contributor Type Occupation		(9) Contribution Type	(10) In-kind Description	(11) Amendment	(12) Amount
(6) Sequence Number		Type	Occupation				
3/2/2020 / /	Alfonso, Dennis J 37908 Church Avenue Dade City, FL 33525	I		CH			\$100.00
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3/2/2020 / /	McClain Alfonso, Nancy 37908 Church Avenue Dade City, FL 33525	I		CH			\$100.00
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3/2/2020 / /	Lauren, Steven G 3109 Taragrove Drive Tampa, FL 33618	I	retired	CH			\$250.00
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3/3/2020 / /	Presz, Joe 14118 12th Street Dade City, FL 33525	I		CA			\$100.00
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3/3/2020 / /	Presz, Helen 14118 12th Street Dade City, FL 33525	I		CA			\$50.00
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3/4/2020 / /	Hatfield, Robert 13405 10th Street Dade City, FL 33525	I		CH			\$40.00
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3/6/2020 / /	Waller Law, P.A., P.O. Box 1668 Dade City, FL 33526-1668	B		CH			\$100.00
7							
3/6/2020 / /	WDA Design Group, Inc., 16057 Tampa Palms Boulevard West #160 Tampa, FL 33647	B		CH			\$100.00
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CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

(1) Name Knute J. Nathe (2) I.D. Number 1209
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(6) Sequence Number		Type	Occupation	Type	Description		Amount
3/6/2020 / /	Boorum, Theodore 3722 Northwest 49th Lane Gainesville, FL 32605	I		CH			\$100.00
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3/6/2020 / /	Nathe, Knute J 36150 Markree Castle Avenue Dade City, FL 33525	S		IK	stakes for yard signs.		\$53.50
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3/11/2020 / /	Nye, William 5306 Foxhunt Drive Wesley Chapel, FL 33543	I		CA			\$50.00
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3/11/2020 / /	Nye, Andrea 5306 Foxhunt Drive Wesley Chapel, FL 33543	I		CA			\$50.00
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3/12/2020 / /	Avila, Lucy 37623 Robinson Avenue Dade City, FL 33523	I		IK	stakes for signs.		\$50.00
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3/13/2020 / /	Helt, Bozena 13832 12th Street Dade City, FL 33525	I		CA			\$50.00
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3/13/2020 / /	Kennard, Francis J 13832 12th Street Dade City, FL 33525	I		CA			\$50.00
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/ /							

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES

(1) Name Knute J. Nathe

(2) I.D. Number 1209

(3) Cover Period 3/1/2020 through 3/13/2020

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(5) Date	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Purpose (add office sought if contribution to a candidate)	(9) Expenditure Type	(10) Amendment	(11) Amount
(6) Sequence Number					
3/3/2020 //	Tampa Type Print, Inc., 12216 U.S. 301 Dade City, FL 33525	purchase of signs and rack cards.	MO		\$252.52
1					
3/10/2020 //	Presz, Joe 14118 12th Street Dade City, FL 33525	refund of cash contribution.	RE		\$50.00
2					
3/10/2020 //	Tampa Type Print, Inc., 12216 U.S. 301 Dade City, FL 33525	purchase of yard signs.	MO		\$347.75
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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
APPEAL FROM NOTICE OF PAYMENT DUE

In the matter of:

**Knute J. Nathe, Candidate for
Dade City Commission, Group 4**

**APPEAL FROM NOTICE OF PAYMENT DUE
DATED MARCH 23, 2020**

NOTICE OF APPEAL

COMES NOW the undersigned, KNUTE J. NATHE, Candidate for Dade City Commission, Group 4 (“the Candidate”), pursuant to section 106.07(8)(c), Florida Statutes, and hereby files this Notice of Appeal from the Notice of Payment Due dated March 23, 2020, from the filing officer for the City of Dade City, and in support thereof states:

1. The nature of the appeal is from a fine imposed pursuant to section 106.07(8), Florida Statutes, concerning the failure to file a financial report on its designated due date.
2. The appealing party’s name, address, email, and telephone number are as follows:
 - a. **Name:** Knute John Nathe, Esquire
 - b. **Address:** 36150 Markree Castle Avenue, Dade City, Florida 33525
 - c. **Email:** k.john.nathe@gmail.com
 - d. **Telephone No.:** (352) 339-5436
3. The filing officer’s name, address, and telephone number are as follows:
 - a. **Name:** Angie Guy, Master Municipal Clerk
 - b. **Address:** 38020 Meridian Avenue, Dade City, Florida 33525
 - c. **Email:** aguy@dadecityfl.com
 - d. **Telephone No.:** (352) 523-5052
4. The following documentation in support of this appeal is filed herewith:
 - a. G-1 Financial Report (Filed March 23, 2020)
 - b. Notice of Payment Due (Dated March 23, 2020)
 - c. City of Dade City Executive Order 2020-01
 - d. City of Dade City Executive Order 2020-02
 - e. Governor’s Executive Order 20-51
 - f. Governor’s Executive Order 20-52
 - g. Florida Supreme Court Administrative Order AOSC20-15

5. Pursuant to section 106.07(8)(c), Florida Statutes, the Candidate presents the following unusual circumstances surrounding the failure to file the requisite financial report on its designated due date:

- a. Beginning in early March 2020, state and local governments throughout the United States began implementing movement restrictions and business closures on their citizens in order to prevent or limit the transmission of the novel coronavirus, and the disease caused thereby, Covid-19.
- b. Pertinent to the Candidate's campaign, on March 9, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-52, declaring a state of emergency throughout the State of Florida due to the spread of novel coronavirus thereto and the rise of confirmed cases of Covid-19. Ten days later, the Dade City Commission likewise declared a state of emergency in the City of Dade City due to threat of novel coronavirus.
- c. The Candidate is employed as an attorney at a law firm located in the City of Dade City. The Candidate's Treasurer is also employed at the same law firm as a legal assistant and bookkeeper. As such, pertinent to the Candidate's campaign, on March 17, 2020, the Supreme Court of Florida issued Administrative Order AOSC20-15 that operated to partially shut down the court system in the State of Florida.
- d. In response to the State and City states of emergency, the Supreme Court's administrative order, and in anticipation of a statewide shelter-in-place executive order,¹ the Candidate's employer began implementing measures for the firm's continuation of operations.
- e. During the course of implementing the above measures, the Candidate inadvertently neglected to place the March 20, 2020 designated due date for his G-1 financial report on his calendar. As such, the G-1 financial report was not filed on its designated due date.
- f. On March 23, 2020, at 10:43am, the Candidate received a phone call from the Office of the Pasco County Supervisor of Elections and was informed that his G-1 financial report had not been filed on its designated due date. Immediately thereafter, the Candidate reviewed his campaign's records and completed his G-1 financial report.
- g. The Candidate submitted his G-1 financial report at 12:04pm on March 23, a mere 81 minutes after being informed of the untimeliness of the report. Approximately six hours later, the Candidate received the Notice of Payment Due from the filing officer, which imposed a fine of \$150 upon the Candidate.

¹ Governor DeSantis issued such an order on April 1, 2020.

6. Pursuant to section 106.265(2), Florida Statutes, the Candidate requests that the Commission consider the following circumstances in determining the amount of any civil penalty levied herein:

- a. **Gravity of the Act or Omission.** The omission in question was the failure to timely file the Candidate's G-1 financial report. The omission did not involve any affirmative act on the Candidate's part.
- b. **History of Similar Acts or Omissions.** This is the first time the Candidate failed to timely file a financial report, and this is the Candidate's first appeal to the Commission. The Candidate has no history of violations of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.
- c. **Appropriateness of Penalty to the Candidate's Financial Resources.** The Candidate is an employee of a small law firm in Dade City, Florida, and has no ownership interest therein. He is the sole income-earning parent in his household, and supports a spouse and three-year-old child. He is responsible for all expenses related to his household, including food, utilities, vehicle and homeowner's insurance, house mortgage, taxes, student loan payments, payments for medical services related to his spouse's current pregnancy, etc. Additionally, on April 1, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued an Executive Order delaying the Dade City municipal elections to an as-yet-undetermined date, and therefore it is unknown as to whether or when the Candidate's campaign will be able to repay the Candidate's loans thereto.
- d. **Whether the Candidate has Shown Good Faith in Attempting to Comply with the Provisions of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.** The Candidate filed his G-1 financial report 81 minutes after being informed that it was overdue, and has timely filed all other financial reports required by the filing officer. Additionally, the Candidate does not recall receiving a reminder phone call or email from the Office of the Pasco County Supervisor of Elections regarding the designated due date for the Candidate's G-1 financial report.²
- e. **Other Mitigating Circumstances.** The outbreak of the novel coronavirus and the extreme measures taken to combat it contributed to the Candidate's failure to calendar the designated due date for his G-1 financial report. This was compounded by the fact that this is the Candidate's first time running for political office, and thus is the first time the Candidate has had to manage financial reporting requirements and deadlines.

² The Candidate acknowledges that reminder phone calls and emails are purely gratuitous, and only offers this statement in support of his claim that he has shown good faith in complying with the requirements of chapter 106, Florida Statutes. The Office of the Pasco County Supervisor of Elections has sent reminders by telephone call and email to the Candidate regarding other designated due dates for filing financial reports, but did not do so for the G-1 financial report.

7. The Candidate waives his right to a hearing on this matter, but will submit supplemental information for consideration by the Commission upon request.

WHEREFORE the Candidate respectfully requests that the Commission waive the fine imposed by the filing officer's Notice of Payment Due in whole, or, in the alternative, that the Commission waive the fine in part.

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the factual statements in the foregoing Notice are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that I will retain a physical copy of this Notice and the documents filed herewith for the duration of this proceeding, any subsequent appeal or subsequent proceeding in that cause, and that I will produce it upon the request of another party.



KNUTE J. NATHE, ESQUIRE
Candidate for Dade City Commission, Group 4
Florida Bar No.: 106527

Copy to:
Angie Guy, Master City Clerk
aguy@dadecityfl.com

Date: 4/11/2020



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March 23, 2020

VIA Email
Mr. Knute Knathe
Candidate, Group 4
36150 Markree Castle Avenue
Dade City, FL 33525

Dear Mr. Knathe:

Your campaign treasurer's report that was due no later than Friday, March 20, 2020, was received by the Supervisor of Elections office on Monday, March 23, 2020. Therefore, the report is considered to be three (3) days late.

Pursuant to 106.07(8)(b), Florida Statutes, upon determining that a report is late, the filing officer shall immediately notify the candidate as to failure to file a report by the designated due date and that a fine is being assessed for each late day.

The amount of the fine is \$50 per day for each late day (for the first three days), not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. Since the report is considered to have been filed 3 days late with contributions totaling \$1243.50, you are fined **\$150.00**.

The fine must be paid to the City of Dade City within 20 days of receipt of this notice unless appealed to the Florida Elections Commission. Please note that as a candidate, the fine is **not an allowable campaign expenditure** and must be **paid from personal funds**.

Section 106.07(8)(c), Florida Statutes, provides for appealing or disputing the assessed fine by submitting a notice of appeal in writing within 20 days of the date of receipt of the notice of late payment due stating any unusual circumstances surrounding the failure to file on the designated due date. A failure to timely file such notice will constitute a waiver of the right of appeal.

Moreover, the notice of appeal must be accompanied by any and all supporting evidence you wish the Commission to consider in making its determination. Examples of such evidence that the Florida Elections Commission will consider are: (1) an affidavit attesting, in specific detail, to timely filing; (2) and affidavit or letter detailing an issue with the electronic filing system used to submit your campaign finance reports to the supervisor; (3) an affidavit or

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statement from an attending physician or a hospital bill, setting forth specific dates, if there is a health-related reason as to why your report was not timely filed.

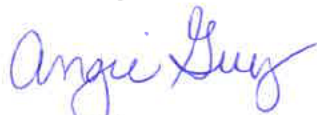
If you fail to submit documentation or evidence demonstrating the unusual circumstances which prevented you from timely filing your report within the 20 days stated above, no documentation or evidence submitted thereafter will be considered by the Florida Elections Commission.

You also have the right to a hearing before the Commission. However, if you desire a hearing before the Commission, you must request such hearing in the notice of appeal within 20 days of receipt of this notice. If no timely request for a hearing is made in your notice of appeal, you will be deemed to have waived your right to a hearing and the Commission's determination shall be based upon written record.

The above-mentioned penalty is not at the discretion of the City Clerk or the City of Port Richey.

Should you have any questions, please call me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,



Angie Guy
City Clerk



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 12, 2020

Division of Emergency Management
Pasco Emergency Operations Center
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Pasco County Issues Local State of Emergency

~~Pasco EOC operating at Level Two Activation status; monitoring COVID-19~~

PASCO COUNTY, FL ---- The [Pasco Board of County Commissioners](#), at the request of the Florida Division of Emergency Management, has issued a Local State of Emergency for Pasco County as a proactive measure to monitor and limit the potential spread of COVID-19.

The declaration allows the County Administrator and Emergency Management Director to waive everyday procedures and do what they feel is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community. This includes: performing public work, making emergency purchases, renting equipment, hiring workers, using volunteers, etc.

The Local State of Emergency will be in effect for 7 days or until rescinded by the County Administrator if it's no longer needed.

The Pasco County Emergency Operations Center is operating at Level Two Activation status. [Pasco County Emergency Management](#) is monitoring conditions and responding, as necessary, to any issues that might arise.

Pasco County urges you to rely on official sources for information, and reminds you that practicing personal hygiene is your best defense:

- ✓ Wash your hands often with soap & water
- ✓ Cover your coughs & sneezes with your arm, not your hands
- ✓ If you're sick, please stay home & avoid crowds

The [Florida Department of Health in Pasco County](#) is the lead agency in Pasco for all virus-related inquiries. For the latest updates, please visit The [Centers For Disease Control and Prevention](#) website at: www.cdc.gov, or call the COVID-19 State Call Center at: 866.779.6121.

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Angelia Guy

From: Angelia Guy
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 5:26 PM
To: 'Knut Nathe'; talligood@pascovotes.com
Cc: lsmith@mclainalfonso.com
Subject: late filing for 2020-G1 Financial Report
Attachments: Knathe late filing.pdf

Importance: High

Mr. Knathe,

Here is your late filing notice for Report 2020-G1 letter with your fine of \$150.00.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Angie Guy, Master Municipal Clerk
FACC Central West Director
38020 Meridian Avenue
Dade City, FL 33525
aguy@dadecityfl.com
Office 352-523-5052
Cell 352-424-8001

The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today. Franklin D. Roosevelt.



Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to City officials regarding City business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may be subject to public disclosure.

From: Knute Nathe <k.john.nathe@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 1:22 PM
To: Angelia Guy <aguy@DADECITYFL.com>; talligood@pascovotes.com
Cc: lsmith@mclainalfonso.com
Subject: 2020-G1 Financial Report

Dear Ms. Guy and Ms. Alligood:

Thank you both for speaking with me today regarding my 2020-G1 financial report. Due to the various professional and personal stresses caused by the continuing Covid-19 pandemic, my office did not calendar this past Friday, March 20, to file a financial report.

As of about an hour ago, I have filed my G1 financial report. I do understand there are certain fines imposed due to a late filing, and under the circumstances I would request information regarding my ability to seek a waiver or appeal of any such fine.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter, and stay safe!

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Knute Nathe



CITY OF DADE CITY

"Proud Heritage. Promising Future"

Camille Hernandez, Mayor
Eunice M. Penix, Mayor Pro-Tem
Scott Black, Commissioner
Nicole Deese-Newlon, Commissioner
James D. Shive, Commissioner

Leslie Porter, City Manager/Finance Officer
Angelia Guy, City Clerk
Thomas Thanas, Interim City Attorney

March 23, 2020

VIA Email

Mr. Knute Knathe
Candidate, Group 4
36150 Markree Castle Avenue
Dade City, FL 33525

Dear Mr. Knathe:

Your campaign treasurer's report that was due no later than Friday, March 20, 2020, was received by the Supervisor of Elections office on Monday, March 23, 2020. Therefore, the report is considered to be three (3) days late.

Pursuant to 106.07(8)(b), Florida Statutes, upon determining that a report is late, the filing officer shall immediately notify the candidate as to failure to file a report by the designated due date and that a fine is being assessed for each late day.

The amount of the fine is \$50 per day for each late day (for the first three days), not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. Since the report is considered to have been filed 3 days late with contributions totaling \$1243.50, you are fined **\$150.00**.

The fine must be paid to the City of Dade City within 20 days of receipt of this notice unless appealed to the Florida Elections Commission. Please note that as a candidate, the fine is **not an allowable campaign expenditure** and must be **paid from personal funds**.

Section 106.07(8)(c), Florida Statutes, provides for appealing or disputing the assessed fine by submitting a notice of appeal in writing within 20 days of the date of receipt of the notice of late payment due stating any unusual circumstances surrounding the failure to file on the designated due date. A failure to timely file such notice will constitute a waiver of the right of appeal.

Moreover, the notice of appeal must be accompanied by any and all supporting evidence you wish the Commission to consider in making its determination. Examples of such evidence that the Florida Elections Commission will consider are: (1) an affidavit attesting, in specific detail, to timely filing; (2) an affidavit or letter detailing an issue with the electronic filing system used to submit your campaign finance reports to the supervisor; (3) an affidavit or

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statement from an attending physician or a hospital bill, setting forth specific dates, if there is a health-related reason as to why your report was not timely filed.

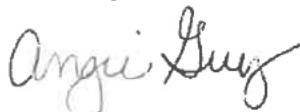
If you fail to submit documentation or evidence demonstrating the unusual circumstances which prevented you from timely filing your report within the 20 days stated above, no documentation or evidence submitted thereafter will be considered by the Florida Elections Commission.

You also have the right to a hearing before the Commission. However, if you desire a hearing before the Commission, you must request such hearing in the notice of appeal within 20 days of receipt of this notice. If no timely request for a hearing is made in your notice of appeal, you will be deemed to have waived your right to a hearing and the Commission's determination shall be based upon written record.

The above-mentioned penalty is not at the discretion of the City Clerk or the City of Port Richey.

Should you have any questions, please call me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Angie Guy".

Angie Guy
City Clerk

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY

(1) Knute J. Nathe
 Name
 (2) 36150 Markree Castle Avenue
 Address (number and street)
Dade City, FL 33525
 City, State, Zip Code

OFFICE USE ONLY
ONLINE SUBMISSION
 [1202410]

Submitted on:
 3/23/2020 12:04:30 (eastern)

Check here if address has changed (3) ID Number: 1209

(4) Check appropriate box(es):

Candidate Office Sought: DC City Commission Group 4

Political Committee (PC) Check here if PC or ECO has disbanded

Electioneering Communications Org. (ECO) Check here if PTY has disbanded

Party Executive Committee (PTY) Check here if no other IE or EC reports will be filed

Independent Expenditure (IE) (also covers an individual making electioneering communications)

(5) Report Identifiers

Cover Period: From 3 / 1 / 2020 To 3 / 13 / 2020 Report Type: G1

Original Amendment Special Election Report

(6) Contributions This Report

Cash & Checks \$, 1 , 140 . 00

Loans \$, , 0 . 00

Total Monetary \$, 1 , 140 . 00

In-Kind \$, , 103 . 50

(7) Expenditures This Report

Monetary Expenditures \$, , 650 . 27

Transfers to Office Account \$, , 0 . 00

Total Monetary \$, , 650 . 27

(8) Other Distributions
 \$, , 0 . 00

(9) TOTAL Monetary Contributions To Date
 \$, 2 , 415 . 00

(10) TOTAL Monetary Expenditures To Date
 \$, 1 , 065 . 79

(11) Certification

It is a first degree misdemeanor for any person to falsify a public record (ss. 839.13, F.S.)

I certify that I have examined this report and it is true, correct, and complete:

(Type name) _____
 Individual (only for IE or electioneering comm.) Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

X _____
 Signature

(Type name) _____
 Candidate Chairperson (only for PC and PTY)

X _____
 Signature

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

(1) Name Knute J. Nathe (2) I.D. Number 1209
 3/1/2020 3/13/2020
 (3) Cover Period _____ / _____ / _____ through _____ / _____ / _____ (4) Page 1 of 2

(5) Date	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Contributor Type Occupation		(9) Contribution Type	(10) In-kind Description	(11) Amendment	(12) Amount
(6) Sequence Number		Type	Occupation	Type	Description	Amendment	Amount
3/2/2020 / /	Alfonso, Dennis J 37908 Church Avenue Dade City, FL 33525	I		CH			\$100.00
1							
3/2/2020 / /	McClain Alfonso, Nancy 37908 Church Avenue Dade City, FL 33525	I		CH			\$100.00
2							
3/2/2020 / /	Lauren, Steven G 3109 Taragrove Drive Tampa, FL 33618	I	retired	CH			\$250.00
3							
3/3/2020 / /	Presz, Joe 14118 12th Street Dade City, FL 33525	I		CA			\$100.00
4							
3/3/2020 / /	Presz, Helen 14118 12th Street Dade City, FL 33525	I		CA			\$50.00
5							
3/4/2020 / /	Hatfield, Robert 13405 10th Street Dade City, FL 33525	I		CH			\$40.00
6							
3/6/2020 / /	Waller Law, P.A., P.O. Box 1668 Dade City, FL 33526-1668	B		CH			\$100.00
7							
3/6/2020 / /	WDA Design Group, Inc., 16057 Tampa Palms Boulevard West #160 Tampa, FL 33647	B		CH			\$100.00
8							

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

(1) Name Knute J. Nathe (2) I.D. Number 1209
 3/1/2020 through 3/13/2020
 (3) Cover Period / / through / / (4) Page 2 of 2

(5) Date	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Contributor Type Occupation		(9) Contribution Type	(10) In-kind Description	(11) Amendment	(12) Amount
(6) Sequence Number		Type	Occupation	Type	Description		Amount
3/6/2020 / /	Boorum, Theodore 3722 Northwest 49th Lane Gainesville, FL 32605	I		CH			\$100.00
9							
3/6/2020 / /	Nathe, Knute J 36150 Markree Castle Avenue Dade City, FL 33525	S		IK	stakes for yard signs.		\$53.50
10							
3/11/2020 / /	Nye, William 5306 Foxhunt Drive Wesley Chapel, FL 33543	I		CA			\$50.00
11							
3/11/2020 / /	Nye, Andrea 5306 Foxhunt Drive Wesley Chapel, FL 33543	I		CA			\$50.00
12							
3/12/2020 / /	Avila, Lucy 37623 Robinson Avenue Dade City, FL 33523	I		IK	stakes for signs.		\$50.00
13							
3/13/2020 / /	Helt, Bozena 13832 12th Street Dade City, FL 33525	I		CA			\$50.00
14							
3/13/2020 / /	Kennard, Francis J 13832 12th Street Dade City, FL 33525	I		CA			\$50.00
15							
/ /							

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES

(1) Name Knute J. Nathe

(2) I.D. Number 1209

(3) Cover Period 3/1/2020 through 3/13/2020

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(5) Date	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Purpose (add office sought if contribution to a candidate)	(9) Expenditure Type	(10) Amendment	(11) Amount
(6) Sequence Number					
3/3/2020 //	Tampa Type Print, Inc., 12216 U.S. 301 Dade City, FL 33525	purchase of signs and rack cards.	MO		\$252.52
1					
3/10/2020 //	Presz, Joe 14118 12th Street Dade City, FL 33525	refund of cash contribution.	RE		\$50.00
2					
3/10/2020 //	Tampa Type Print, Inc., 12216 U.S. 301 Dade City, FL 33525	purchase of yard signs.	MO		\$347.75
3					
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PASCO COUNTY

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

2019/2020 CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES

Report Code	Reporting Period	Report Due Date
2019-M11	11/1/2019 – 11/30/2019	12/10/2019
2019-M12	12/1/2019 - 12/31/2019	1/10/2020
2020-M1	1/1/2020 - 1/31/2020	2/10/2020
2020-M2	2/1/2020 - 2/29/2020	3/10/2020
2020-G1	3/1/2020 - 3/13/2020	3/20/2020
2020-G2	3/14/2020 - 3/27/2020	4/03/2020
2020-G3	3/28/2020 - 4/9/2020	4/10/2020
2020-TRQ	2/1/2020- 5/18/2020	5/18/2020
2020-TRG	4/10/2020 - 7/13/2020	7/13/2020

M = Monthly

G = General

TR = Termination

**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES**

(Section 106.021(1), F.S.)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

FEB 13 2020

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NOTE: This form must be on file with the qualifying officer before opening the campaign account.

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES):

Initial Filing of Form Re-filing to Change: Treasurer/Deputy Depository Office Party

2. Name of Candidate (in this order: First, Middle, Last)

Knute John Nathe

3. Address (include post office box or street, city, state, zip code)

36150 Markree Castle Avenue
Dade City, Florida 33525

4. Telephone

(352) 339-5436

5. E-mail address

k.john.nathe@gmail.com

6. Office sought (include district, circuit, group number)

City Commission of Dade City, Group 4

7. If a candidate for a nonpartisan office, check if applicable:

My intent is to run as a Write-In candidate.

8. If a candidate for a partisan office, check block and fill in name of party as applicable: My intent is to run as a

Write-In No Party Affiliation _____ Party candidate.

9. I have appointed the following person to act as my Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer.

10. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

Lynn Smith

11. Mailing Address

13702 14th Street

12. Telephone

(352) 567-5636

13. City

Dade City

14. County

Pasco

15. State

Florida

16. Zip Code

33525

17. E-mail address

lsmith@mcclainalfonso.com

18. I have designated the following bank as my Primary Depository Secondary Depository

19. Name of Bank

CenterState Bank

20. Address

14045 7th Street

21. City

Dade City

22. County

Pasco

23. State

Florida

24. Zip Code

33525

UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING FORM FOR APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY AND THAT THE FACTS STATED IN IT ARE TRUE.

25. Date

2/13/2020

26. Signature of Candidate

X 

27. Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment (fill in the blanks and check the appropriate block)

I, Lynn Smith, do hereby accept the appointment
(Please Print or Type Name)

designated above as: Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer.

Feb. 13, 2020

X

