

CITY OF SPOKANE ETHICS COMMISSION

THOMAS BASSLER,

Complainant,

v.

BREEAN BEGGS,

Respondent

EC-22-01

RESPONDENT'S OBJECTION TO  
EXTENDING SUBPOENA  
DEADLINE

Respondent objects to Complainant's untimely request for extending the deadline to request subpoenas. The request was filed only fourteen days before the hearing. However, the deadline from the original pre-hearing order was twenty-one days before the hearing. Even assuming the Commission might have been open to extending the deadline, Complainant never requested one or indicated that he intended to subpoena witnesses until only two weeks from the scheduled hearing, which substantially risks the further continuance of the hearing. By the time the Commission even hears this request, it will be too late to serve subpoenas for the upcoming hearing. Further, the Complainant hasn't provided any explanation for why he would need a subpoena, his attempts to use other methods to secure witnesses, and why he didn't seek a subpoena back in August at the original deadline or any time since the recent filing of this request. It seems unlikely that a subpoena would be needed in this case or that issuing one would make a difference at this late date. If the Commission considers issuing one, it should not continue the hearing.

1 Respectfully submitted this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.

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10 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

11 I hereby certify that on this date, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the  
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17 DATED October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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