



# Citizen Commission for Performance Measurement of Tax Preferences

**Dr. Grant D. Forsyth, Chair**

Avista Corp

**Ronald Bueing**

PricewaterhouseCoopers

**Diane Lourdes Dick**

Seattle University School of Law

**Dr. Justin Marlowe**

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Governance, University of Washington

**Andi Nofziger-Meadows**

Edmonds Education Association

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS:**

**Representative Derek Stanford**

Chair, Joint Legislative Audit  
and Review Committee

**Pat McCarthy**

State Auditor

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Meeting Minutes  
August 10, 2017  
John A. Cherberg Building  
Senate Hearing Room 3  
Olympia, WA

### Members Present:

Grant Forsyth  
Ron Bueing  
Justin Marlowe

Andi Nofziger-Meadows  
Diane Lourdes Dick  
State Auditor Pat McCarthy

### Members Absent:

Senator Derek Stanford

### Staff:

Keenan Konopaski	Dana Lynn	Eric Thomas
John Woolley	Rachel Murata	Eric Whitaker
Marilyn Richter	Pete van Moorsel	Stacia Hollar, AGO
Emily Schroeder	Ashley Elliott	
Lindsey Haythorn	Stephanie Hoffman	

### CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Commission Chair Grant Forsyth called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

The Chair welcomed everyone in attendance. (See TVW recording at [00:04](#))

#### 1. Committee Business

##### a. Introduction of new Commissioner

Chair Grant Forsyth welcomed new commissioner Andi Nofziger-Meadows, president of Edmonds Education Association and WEA-Cascade UniServ Council.

(See TVW recording at [00:46](#))

##### b. Election of Commission Vice Chair

Chair Forsyth called for nominations for Vice Chair of the Commission.

**MOTION:** A motion was made to elect Ron Bueing as Commission Vice Chair.

The motion was carried unanimously. (See TVW recording at [01:40](#))

##### c. Approval of May 18, 2017 Meeting Minutes

**MOTION:** A motion was made to approve the May 18, 2017 meeting minutes.

The motion was seconded and carried. (See TVW recording at [02:51](#))

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## **d. Proposed change to telephonic attendance policy**

**MOTION:** A motion was made to approve the proposed change to the telephonic attendance policy.

The motion was seconded and carried. (See TVW recording at [03:27](#))

## **e. Proposed questions to be addressed in public testimony**

**MOTION:** A motion was made to approve the proposed questions to be addressed in public testimony.

The motion was seconded and carried. (See TVW recording at [05:07](#))

## **f. Legislative Session Update**

John Woolley of the JLARC staff reviewed the legislative session update document, which summarizes legislative actions during the 2017 sessions related to tax preferences.

(See TVW recording at [08:04](#))

## **g. 2018 Tax Preference Reviews**

John Woolley reminded the Commissioners of tax preferences included in the 2018 review schedule. (See TVW recording at [13:22](#))

## **h. Discussion of JLARC Peer Review**

Chair Grant Forsyth and members of the Commission commented on the recent JLARC peer review, which occurs every three years through the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL). Legislative Auditor Keenan Konopaski also discussed the peer review and answered commissioner's questions. (See TVW recording at [15:17](#))

## **2. 2017 Tax Preference Reviews – JLARC Staff Preliminary Report**

The commissioners disclosed certain potential conflicts of interest they might have in the tax preferences being reviewed this year. JLARC staff then presented their findings on the 2017 tax preferences and answered questions from Commissioners. (See TVW recording at [25:51](#))

### **Public Comment**

The Chair asked if any members of the public wished to testify. No one wished to do so.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:36 p.m.