



Citizen Commission for Performance Measurement of Tax Preferences

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Citizen Commission for Performance Measurement of Tax Preferences

Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2018

John A. Cherberg Building

Senate Hearing Room 3

Olympia, WA

Members Present:

Grant Forsyth

Ron Bueing (by telephone)

Justin Marlowe

Andi Nofziger-Meadows

Diane Lourdes Dick

Staff:

Keenan Konopaski

Eric Thomas

Marilyn Richter

Emily Martin

Ashley Elliott

Pete van Moorsel

Makeda Eyasu

Rachel Murata

Josh Karas

Scott Hancock

Aaron Cavin

Geoff Cunningham

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Commission Chair Grant Forsyth called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.

The Chair welcomed everyone in attendance. (See TVW recording at [00:05](#))

1. Committee Business

Keenan Konopaski, Legislative Auditor, noted that Commissioner Dick and Commissioner Forsyth have been reappointed to the Commission for an extended term.

(See TVW recording at [00:54](#))

a. Approval of October 10, 2017 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the October 10, 2017 meeting minutes.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

(See TVW recording at [02:00](#))

b. Staff update

Keenan Konopaski, Legislative Auditor, introduced new JLARC staff: Scott Hancock, Josh Karas, Aaron Cavin and Geoff Cunningham.

(See TVW recording at [02:37](#))

c. 2018 Legislative session update

Eric Thomas of the JLARC staff updated the Commission on tax preference legislation passed during the 2018 Legislative Session.

(See TVW recording at [05:39](#))

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d. Complying with public meetings/public records

Assistant Attorney General Stacia Hollar reviewed the public meetings and public records act. (See TVW recording at [11:56](#))

e. Confirm questions for 2018 public testimony

The Commission reviewed and modified questions it intends to ask parties testifying at the September Commission meeting. Including those changes, the Commission initially approved the questions.

NOTE: subsequent to this action, based on testimony received during the public comment period (see agenda item #4 below), the Commission later decided to table this decision. The Chair asked staff to provide some additional information and the Commission will take up finalizing questions for public testimony at the August Commission meeting.

(See TVW recording at [41:19](#))

2. 2018 Expedited Preference Review report

Chair Grant Forsyth explained the purpose of the expedited preference report and Commissioners asked questions about the report.

(See TVW recording at [47:10](#))

3. Approve suggested revisions to the 2019 schedule

Pete van Moorsel of the JLARC staff gave an update on the work JLARC staff have been doing regarding the aerospace tax preference. Rachel Murata of the JLARC staff discussed the proposed change to the review schedule regarding the Multi-Unit Urban Housing Preference.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the revisions to the 2019 schedule.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

(See TVW recording at [51:17](#))

4. Public Comment

The Commission received public comment from Mr. Clay Hill and Senator Bob Hasegawa.

(See TVW recording at [59:41](#))

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.