# State of Washington PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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MINUTES – Regular Meeting 9:30 a.m. | February 27, 2025 711 Capitol Way S. #206 Olympia, Washington

## **Commission Members (Participated via Microsoft Teams)**

J. Leach, Chair; Douglass North, Vice Chair; Nancy Isserlis, Member; James Oswald, Member.

#### **Staff Present**

Jana Greer, Administrative Officer.

# **Staff Present (Participated via Microsoft Teams)**

Peter Frey Lavallee, Executive Director; Kim Bradford, Deputy Director; Sean Flynn, General Counsel; Nate Meyer, Customer Service and Outreach Manager; Jennifer Hansen, Compliance Officer; Casey Gayman, Compliance Officer; Christina Shearer, DES Senior Financial Consultant; John Meader, Assistant Attorney General representing the Commission, Chad Standifer, Assistant Attorney General representing the Staff.

The regular meeting of the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) was called to order by Chair Leach at 9:33 a.m.

The February 27, 2025, Public Disclosure Commission meeting streamed live via TVW at WAPDC.2.27.25. Public attended remotely via a MS Teams Link.

#### Chair Opening Comments | PDC Meeting Video

Chair Leach welcomed all attendees and viewers to the February 27, 2025, Regular Commission meeting.

#### Consideration and Possible Approval of Meeting Minutes | PDC Meeting Video

Meeting minutes were presented to the Commission for consideration and possible approval:

January 23, 2025, Regular Meeting

**MOTION 25-09** Moved by Commissioner Isserlis and seconded by Commissioner North that the Commission approve the meeting minutes as submitted for January 23, 2024, regular meeting.

The motion passed 4-0.

#### Request for Reporting Modification | PDC Meeting Video

9:34 a.m. | The Commission conducted a hearing concerning a request for reporting modification. Compliance Officer Jennifer Hansen presented the request to the Commission for consideration and possible approval.

<u>Christy Harris & WEA-PAC</u> – Political Action Committee & Campaign Donor <u>RCW 42.17A.120</u> & <u>RCW 42.17A.240</u>

#### **MOTION 25-010**

Moved by Commissioner North and seconded by Commissioner Isserlis that the Commission grant the partial reporting modification, on the basis that literal application of the law would cause a manifestly unreasonable hardship on the applicant and that the limited modification would not frustrate the purposes of the Act.

The motion passed 4-0.

## Public Comment | PDC Meeting Video

As was noticed and announced, a Teams video and conference line was provided for public comment during this time.

No person(s) provided public comment.

Written comment(s) submitted:

- Edwards
- Kunzler

## Management Team Updates | PDC Meeting Video

- Deputy Director Update.
- Information Technology Update.
- Customer Service and Filer Assistance Update.

#### **Enforcement Update | PDC Meeting Video**

Casey Gayman, Compliance Officer, presented the enforcement update for February 2025.

• Enforcement Report – Categorization and Status of Open Complaints.

#### Legislative Update | PDC Meeting Video

General Counsel Sean Flynn presented the legislative update to the Commission.

General Counsel Flynn <u>discussed</u> the PDC's main bill of interest, <u>HB 1782</u>, directly affecting the agency by shifting reporting deadlines, and the agency's stance on the bill. Also discussed were <u>additional</u> bills of interest to the PDC.

# **Campaign Reporting Compliance Project | PDC Meeting Video**

Deputy Director Kim Bradford <u>presented</u> an update on the campaign reporting compliance project.

- Staff report on C-4 report notification project and discussion of possible next steps.
- Discussion of possible campaign reporting calendar reform.

The Commission <u>discussed</u> next steps and directed PDC staff to consider ways to improve the reporting schedule.

#### **Budget Update | PDC Meeting Video**

Executive Director Frey Lavallee and Christina Shearer, DES Senior Financial Consultant, provided the budget update to the Commission.

Executive Director Lavallee informed the Commission of Governor Ferguson's request to most State

agencies to suggest cuts equal to 6% cut of their budgets. He also updated the Commission on the governor's proposal released earlier that morning, which included additional cuts.

# Management Team Updates Continued | PDC Meeting Video

• Executive Director Update.

# **Break/Executive Session**

<u>11:43 p.m.</u> Discussion of matters allowed in executive session pursuant to <u>RCW 42.30.110</u>, regarding enforcement matters, review of performance of public employees, and discussion with legal counsel of litigation or potential litigation when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence. Final action regarding these matters, or other matters properly discussed during executive session, will be taken following the executive session.

Executive session ended 12:11 p.m.

Adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Approved March 27, 2025.