

**Candidate Information:**

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**#1 Recording of Executive Session:**

Would you support such legislation? **Yes**

Comment: This is used as a **LOOP HOLE** know to and for government agencies to hide behind the decisions they are forcing down the citizens, I know I have been in them before with our Economical Group in Kittitas County.

**#2 Attorney Client Privilege:**

Would you support such legislation? **Yes**

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**#3 Statutes of Limitation and Penalties for Public Records Requests:**

(A) Would you support legislation to restore the statute of limitations to a longer period, such as three years? **Yes**

(B) Would you support legislation to increase the maximum penalty from \$100 to \$500 per document per day, to account for inflation since the Public Disclosure Act was enacted? **No**

Comment: Agreed with #1-(A) need more time to “investigate”, plus the public is not immune from corrupt officials and hiding from how long they can take to draw out the statue until we do not have to perform our duty. Seen happen and it does happen in Kittitas County.

Disagree with #(2)-B as it is sufficient enough, but maybe can introduce law where as the public official and elected official, is also personally liable for ½ of the charged amount? That monies come out of their own personal \$\$\$.

#4 Penalties for Violation of the Open Public Meetings Act:

Would you support such legislation? **Yes**

Comment: I would set a flat fee of \$500

#5 Civil Penalties for improper Destruction of Public Records:

Would you support such legislation? **Yes**

Comment: Introduce law where as the public official and elected official, is also personally liable for ½ of the charged amount? That monies come out of their own personal \$\$\$.

#6 Public Employee Dates of Birth:

Would you support legislation that would exempt public employee dates of birth from disclosure under the Public Record Act? **Yes**

#7 Pipeline Mapping Data:

Would you support legislation that would exempt high-resolution pipeline data from disclosure under the Public Records Act **Yes**

Comment: The system that is in place now needs updated, but detailed information “high-resolution” is not needed to the public.

#8 Create an Independent Open Government Ombudsman:

Would you support legislation creating an independent open government ombudsman in Washington, including funding for the office? **No**

Comment: We have too much government now, sound like to me another tentacle of the government.

#9 Require Electronic Records to be Provided in Electronic Format if Requested:

Would you support such legislation? **Yes**

Comment: In this electronic environment the government works in and under, the citizens should be able to receive the same way, NO BRAINER.

#10 Priority Issues and Legislative Agenda:

Will you commit to support the Coalition position on each of the identified priority issues? **No**

Comment: I do not sign or believe in blank checks, every issue could or could not deserve priority issue, but that is why I am here to discern what a priority to the consequents is.

Sincerely

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