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# Meeting Minutes Budget Outlook Methodology

January 6, 2022 Conference Call

#### **Economic and Revenue Forecast Council**

Tim Ormsby, House of Representatives, Chair Christine Rolfes, Senate Lynda Wilson, Senate Ed Orcutt, House of Representatives Mike Pellicciotti, Treasurer Vikki Smith, Department of Revenue David Schumacher, Office of Financial Management Staff
Steve Lerch, Executive Director
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Sarian Scott, Senate Ways and Means
Andy Toulon, House Appropriations

#### **Call to Order**

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from November 19, 2021. Motion was approved at 10:02 a.m.

#### **Budget Outlook Methodology Presentation**

The Budget Outlook Work Group members presented.

### **Motion**

Senator Rolfes moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the governor's proposal on revenue assumptions of 4.5% for the ensuing biennium for the purposes of developing an outlook. Motion was passed at 10:10 a.m. with 6 votes to approve and 1 against.

#### Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.



# Meeting Minutes Budget Outlook Adoption

January 19, 2022 Conference Call

#### **Economic and Revenue Forecast Council**

Tim Ormsby, House of Representatives, Chair Christine Rolfes, Senate Lynda Wilson, Senate Ed Orcutt, House of Representatives Mike Pellicciotti, Treasurer Vikki Smith, Department of Revenue David Schumacher, Office of Financial Management Staff
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#### **Call to Order**

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from January 6, 2022. Motion was passed at 11:02 a.m.

#### **Budget Outlook Methodology Adoption Presentation**

The Budget Outlook Work Group members presented.

### **Motion**

Senator Rolfes moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt outlook as presented. Motion was passed unanimously at 11:11 a.m.

#### **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.



## Meeting Minutes Economic Review

February 3, 2022 Conference Call

#### **Economic and Revenue Forecast Council**

Tim Ormsby, House of Representatives, Chair Christine Rolfes, Senate Lynda Wilson, Senate Ed Orcutt, House of Representatives Mike Pellicciotti, Treasurer Vikki Smith, Department of Revenue David Schumacher, Office of Financial Management Staff
Steve Lerch, Executive Director

#### **Call to Order**

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from January 19, 2022. Motion passed unanimously at 11:04 a.m.

#### **Economic Forecast Presentation**

Dr. Lerch presented information on the economic and revenue forecast. Dr. Lerch summarized the forecast changes.

#### **Motion**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the economic forecast as well as to allow any new information to be incorporated into the forecast. Motion passed unanimously at 11:22 a.m.

#### **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.



## Meeting Minutes Revenue Review

February 16, 2022 Conference Call

#### **Economic and Revenue Forecast Council**

Tim Ormsby, House of Representatives, Chair Christine Rolfes, Senate Lynda Wilson, Senate Ed Orcutt, House of Representatives Mike Pellicciotti, Treasurer Vikki Smith, Department of Revenue David Schumacher, Office of Financial Management Staff
Steve Lerch, Executive Director

#### **Call to Order**

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from February 3, 2022. Motion passed at 9:03 a.m.

#### **Revenue Forecast Presentation**

Dr. Lerch presented information on the economic and revenue forecast. Dr. Lerch summarized the forecast changes.

#### **Motion**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the revenue forecast as presented. Motion passed unanimously at 9:18 a.m.

## **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.



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# Meeting Minutes Budget Outlook Methodology

March 31, 2022 Conference Call

#### **Economic and Revenue Forecast Council**

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Andy Toulon, House Appropriations

#### Call to Order

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Senator Rolfes moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from February 16, 2021. Motion was approved at 10:02 a.m.

#### **Budget Outlook Methodology Presentation**

The Budget Outlook Work Group members raised the issue of including or excluding revenue associated with the capital gains tax (Chapter 196, Laws of 2021) from the Budget Outlook for the enacted FY 2022 supplemental budget in light of the Douglas County Superior Court decision overturning the tax and the state's subsequent decision to appeal this ruling.

#### Motion

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to not assume the revenue from the capital gains tax from the Budget Outlook. Motion failed at 11:09 a.m., with 1 vote to approve, 4 votes to not approve, Director Smith recusing and Senator Wilson absent.

Senator Rolfes moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to continue with assumptions from the February Forecast and include the revenue from the capital gains tax in the Budget Outlook. Motion was passed at 11:16 a.m. with 5 votes to approve, Director Smith recusing and Senator Wilson absent.

#### Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.



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## Meeting Minutes Budget Outlook Adoption

April 14, 2022 Conference Call

#### **Economic and Revenue Forecast Council**

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Ed Orcutt, House of Representatives
Lynda Wilson, Senate
Mike Pellicciotti, Treasurer
Vikki Smith, Department of Revenue
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#### Call to Order

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from March 31, 2022. Motion was approved at 11:03 a.m.

#### **Budget Outlook Methodology Adoption Presentation**

The Budget Outlook Work Group members presented the proposed budget outlook.

#### **Discussion**

Senator Rolfes asked if there is a formal motion necessary to add the Washington Rescue Plan Transition Account (WRPTA) funds to the outlook. Mr. Toulon advised Senator Rolfes that language could be included to add the WRPTA funds when the motion to approve the outlook was made.

#### **Motion**

Director Schumacher moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the 2022 supplemental outlook as presented.

#### **Discussion**

Representative Orcutt stated he would be voting against the supplemental outlook as it includes the impact of the capital gains tax despite being ruled as unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction. Representative Orcutt requested a no vote as well as an alternative outlook showing the impact of not including the revenue from the capital gains tax and that this alternative be posted on the ERFC website.

#### **Discussion**

Senator Rolfes asked the Chair and the Committee if they would be willing to amend the motion to have staff add the WRPTA funds to the bottom summary of reserves in order to have that information relayed in a more public way. Representative Ormsby deferred the question to

Director Schumacher as he was the maker of the motion. Director Schumacher considered the addition as appropriate to ensure it is clear where reserve funds are. If WRPTA is to be an ongoing account the legislature will use for reserves then it should be shown and incorporated to ensure everyone is informed. Representative Orcutt seconded Senator Rolfes' request to add the WRPTA funds to the outlook. He feels it is appropriate for the public to see the funds in that account and that they be visible. Representative Orcutt also asked, should the addition of the WRPTA funds be added to the adopted forecast, that they also be added to the alternative forecast previously requested, so that both documents are consistent with the only difference in information being inclusion or exclusion of revenue from the capital gains tax.

#### **Discussion**

Senator Wilson indicated that she will be urging a no vote on the presented budget outlook due to the inclusion of the revenue from the capital gains tax which was deemed unconstitutional by the court. She also wanted to encourage the approval of the alternate outlook.

#### **Point of Clarification**

Representative Ormsby asked for procedural clarification on how to proceed after discussion was concluded. Director Schumacher suggested amending his original motion to include the addition of the WRPTA.

#### Motion

Director Schumacher moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the 2022 supplemental outlook as presented with the inclusion of the WRPTA reserves displayed in the document. Motion passed with 5 in favor and 2 against.

#### **Point of Direction**

Representative Ormsby directed the Budget Outlook Workgroup, in accordance with Representative Orcutt's request, to prepare an alternative budget outlook that includes the WRPTA funds but does not include the revenue from the capital gains, which will be posted to the ERFC website.

#### Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.



## Meeting Minutes Economic Review

June 8, 2022 Conference Call

#### **Economic and Revenue Forecast Council**

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Steve Lerch, Executive Director

#### **Call to Order**

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from April 14, 2022. Motion passed at 10:05 a.m.

#### **Economic Forecast Presentation**

Dr. Lerch presented information on the preliminary economic.

#### **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.



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## Meeting Minutes Revenue Review

June 22, 2022 Conference Call

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Steve Lerch, Executive Director

#### **Call to Order**

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from June 8, 2022. Motion passed at 10:03 a.m.

#### **Revenue Forecast Presentation**

Dr. Lerch presented information on the economic and revenue forecast. Dr. Lerch summarized the forecast changes.

#### **Motion**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the revenue forecast as presented. Motion passed unanimously at 10:34 a.m.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:59 a.m.



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## Meeting Minutes Economic Review

September 8, 2022 Conference Call

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Steve Lerch, Executive Director

#### **Call to Order**

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from June 22, 2022. Motion passed at 10:02 a.m.

#### **Economic Forecast Presentation**

Dr. Lerch presented information on the preliminary economic.

#### **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.



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## Meeting Minutes Revenue Review

September 21, 2022 Conference Call

#### **Economic and Revenue Forecast Council**

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Steve Lerch, Executive Director

#### **Call to Order**

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from September 8, 2022. Motion passed at 2:03 p.m.

#### **Revenue Forecast Presentation**

Dr. Lerch presented information on the economic and revenue forecast. Dr. Lerch summarized the forecast changes.

#### **Motion**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the revenue forecast as presented. Motion passed at 2:26 p.m.

#### **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.



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## Meeting Minutes Economic Review

November 4, 2022 Conference Call

#### **Economic and Revenue Forecast Council**

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Steve Lerch, Executive Director
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#### Call to Order

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from September 21, 2022. Motion passed at 10:02 a.m.

#### **Budget Outlook Methodology Presentation**

The Budget Outlook group presented on the Budget Outlook Growth Factor.

#### **Motion**

Senator Rolfes moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to maintain the 2020 outlook growth factor rates. Motion passed at 10:17 with 5 yes votes and 1 no vote.

#### **Economic Forecast Presentation**

Dr. Lerch presented information on the preliminary economic.

#### **Administrative**

Renewal of the ERFC Forecast Supervisor contract was put forth for a vote by the council.

#### Motion

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to renew the Forecast Supervisor's contract for an additional year. Motion passed at 10:36

#### **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.



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## Meeting Minutes Revenue Review

November 18, 2022 Conference Call

#### **Economic and Revenue Forecast Council**

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Steve Lerch, Executive Director

#### Call to Order

Representative Ormsby called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

#### **Approval of the Minutes**

Representative Orcutt moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the meeting minutes from November 4, 2022. Motion passed at 2:02 p.m.

#### **Revenue Forecast Presentation**

Dr. Lerch presented information on the economic and revenue forecast. Dr. Lerch summarized the forecast changes.

#### **Motion**

Representative Ormsby moved, seconded by Representative Orcutt, to adopt the revenue forecast and the unofficial optimistic and pessimistic revenue forecast. Motion passed at 2:38 p.m.

#### **Motion**

Senator Rolfes moved, seconded by Representative Ormsby, to adopt the fiscal growth factor for fiscal year 2024. Motion passed with 5 yes votes and 2 no votes at 2:38 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:46 p.m.