

From: John Burbank
To: [Noble, Ben](#); [Herbold, Lisa](#)
Cc: [Aldrich, Newell](#)
Subject: RE: coordination
Date: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 11:00:11 AM

Ben,

Let us know what works.

Thanks.

John

-----Original Message-----

From: Noble, Ben [<mailto:Ben.Noble@seattle.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 6:59 AM
To: John Burbank <john@eoionline.org>; Herbold, Lisa <Lisa.Herbold@seattle.gov>
Cc: Aldrich, Newell <Newell.Aldrich2@seattle.gov>
Subject: RE: coordination

I am just back from vacation and need to confer internally, but recognizing the urgency of this issue, I have a meeting set for today or tomorrow to do this.

-----Original Message-----

From: John Burbank [<mailto:john@eoionline.org>]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 1:34 PM
To: Herbold, Lisa <Lisa.Herbold@seattle.gov>
Cc: Noble, Ben <Ben.Noble@seattle.gov>; Aldrich, Newell <Newell.Aldrich2@seattle.gov>
Subject: Re: coordination

Yes let's please get this scheduled ASAP!

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 17, 2017, at 1:28 PM, Herbold, Lisa <Lisa.Herbold@seattle.gov> wrote:

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> Greetings Ben,

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> Has this meeting (see below) been scheduled yet? If so, may Central Staff and I join you?

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> As you might imagine, public interest in this topic of potential tax reform continues to be high. Organizers are holding district meetings with Councilmembers; <<https://trumpproofseattle.org/events/>> the District 1 meeting that I will be attending is scheduled for May 4.

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> At least one Councilmember wants to move forward quickly. I'm certainly motivated as well, but I'd really prefer that we get the perspective of the City Budget Office before moving forward. Still, it's important to all of the interested parties that I'm able to show some progress. We met with Pete Holmes and his team late last month, they are reviewing the Smith & Lowney memo (which I'm happy to share with you if you do not already have it).

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> You might also be interested to see the attached. Dick Conway just today sent me an updated version of "Washington State and Local Tax System: Dysfunction & Reform." It concludes once again that Washington has the worst state and local tax system in the nation. Conway says, "Its two most egregious characteristics are

inadequacy and unfairness. The study argues that the best tax system is a single-rate personal income tax that eliminates the need for all other new taxes.”

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> Thanks in advance!

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> Best,

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> Lisa Herbold

> District 1 Councilmember, Chair Civil Rights, Utilities, Economic

> Development, and Arts Committee

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> 206-684-8803

> lisa.herbold@seattle.gov<<mailto:lisa.herbold@seattle.gov>>

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> From: John Burbank [<mailto:john@eoionline.org>]

> Sent: Friday, April 07, 2017 2:38 PM

> To: Aldrich, Newell <Newell.Aldrich2@seattle.gov>

> Cc: Clardy, Alex <Alex.Clardy@seattle.gov>

> Subject: RE: coordination

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> OK, Ben and I have an email exchange to meet the week after next. I think next week is school vacation for his kids.

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> From: Aldrich, Newell [<mailto:Newell.Aldrich2@seattle.gov>]

> Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 1:44 PM

> To: John Burbank <john@eoionline.org><<mailto:john@eoionline.org>>>

> Cc: Clardy, Alex

> <Alex.Clardy@seattle.gov><<mailto:Alex.Clardy@seattle.gov>>>

> Subject: RE: coordination

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> Noble is widely respected as Budget Director, and also served as Council Central Staff director, so he’s politically astute—he carries a lot of weight with CMs.

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> Also in general when we ask new CMs about this kind of thing, they’ll often ask if we’ve talked to him and/or Glen Lee.

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