



**Sample Ballot
Whatcom County, Washington
General Election, November 7, 2017**

TO VOTE: Use blue or black ink to connect the arrow next to your choice with a single line. Do not use felt tip pen or pencil.

HOW TO CHANGE A VOTE: Draw a line through the incorrect choice. You have the option of making another choice.

WRITE-IN: To vote for a person not on the ballot, connect the arrow and write in the name of the person on the line provided.

Voting more than once per contest or measure will cancel that vote.

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State Measures

**Advisory Vote No. 16
Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1597**

The legislature increased, without a vote of the people, the food fish excise tax rate on certain salmon and game fish, costing less than \$1,000,000 in the first ten years, for government spending.

This tax increase should be:
Repealed _____
Maintained _____

**Advisory Vote No. 17
Engrossed House Bill 2163**

The legislature expanded, without a vote of the people, the business and occupation tax and narrowed certain retail sales and use tax exemptions, costing \$565,000,000 in the first ten years, for government spending.

This tax increase should be:
Repealed _____
Maintained _____

**Advisory Vote No. 18
Engrossed House Bill 2242**

The legislature imposed, without a vote of the people, an additional state property tax for common schools, costing \$12,949,000,000 in the first ten years, for government spending.

This tax increase should be:
Repealed _____
Maintained _____

Whatcom County

**Proposition 2017-6
Public Safety and Jail Facilities Sales and Use Tax**

The Whatcom County Council passed Ordinance 2017- 037 concerning a proposition to authorize a sales and use tax for public safety purposes, including new jail facilities. This proposition would authorize a sales and use tax of two tenths of one percent (0.002) for public safety purposes, including costs associated with construction, maintenance, and operation of jail facilities, plus incarceration prevention, medical and behavioral health facilities and programs, as authorized by RCW 82.14.450. Half of this tax (0.001) will expire upon repayment of the total capital cost of jail facilities, or December 31, 2048, whichever occurs first. Should this proposition be:

Approved _____
Rejected _____

County Council District 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Rud Browne
Philip J. Morgan

County Council District 2, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Todd Donovan
Amy Glasser

County Council District 3, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Rebecca Boonstra
Tyler Byrd

County Council At-Large Position A, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Barry Buchanan
Mary Kay Robinson

Port of Bellingham

Commissioner District 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Michael Alvarez Shepard
Dan Robbins

Commissioner District 2, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Ken Bell
Barry Wenger

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City of Bellingham

Municipal Court Judge, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Debra Lev

Council Ward 2, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Gene Knutson

Council Ward 4, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Pinky Vargas

Council Ward 6, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Michael Lilliquist
Quenby Peterson

Council At-Large, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Year Term, Vote for One

Roxanne Murphy
Eric Bostrom

City of Blaine

Council Ward 1 Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Bonnie Onyon

Council Ward 2 Position 4, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Charles Hawkins
Justin Ledesma

Council Ward 3 Position 6, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

H. Paul Greenough
Eric Davidson

Council At-Large Position 7, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Alicia Rule
Harry Robinson

City of Everson

Mayor, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

John Perry

Council Position 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Jaleen M. Pratt

Council Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Jennifer Lautenbach

Council Position 3, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Matthew Goering

Council Position 5, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

Alicia R. Oetting
Thomas (Tag) Mills
Travis J. Remy

City of Ferndale

Council Position 5, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Cathy Watson
Derrick Watson

Council Position 6, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Connie Faria
Kate Hansen

Council Position 7, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Fred Kennedy

City of Lynden

Mayor, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Scott Korthuis

Council Position 5, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Nick H. Laninga

Council Position 6, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Kyle Strengholt
Jack Lathrop

Council Position 7, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Mark H. Wohlrab
David Burns

City of Nooksack

Mayor, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Jim Ackerman

Council Position 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Fritz Zemler

Council Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Daniel Bennett
Megan Shoemaker

Council Position 3, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Tom Jones



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City of Sumas

Mayor, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Bob Bromley
Kyle Christensen

Council Position 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Bruce Bosch

Council Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Richard D. Postma

Council Position 4, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Joshua J. Clawson

Bellingham School District 501

Director Position 4, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Jenn Mason
Teri Hill-McIntyre

Director Position 5, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Douglas W. Benjamin

Ferndale School District 502

Director District 2, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

Candice Wilson

Director District 4, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Lee Anne Riddle

Director District 5, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Andrew McLaurin

Blaine School District 503

Director District 3, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Joan Lotze

Director District 5, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Michael (Mike) Dodd
Laura McKinney

Lynden School District 504

Director Position 4, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Stephan Jilk

Director Position 5, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Kelli Kettels
CJ Costanti

Meridian School District 505

Director District 2, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Renier (Beaver) Elenbaas
Jeannie Castro

Director District 3, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Brian A. Evans

Nooksack Valley School District 506

Director District 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Randall Wright

Director District 2, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Stephen A. Jones

Mt Baker School District 507

Director District 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Brian Kelly

Director District 4, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Nancy Workman
Kelly Zender

Concrete School District 11

Director District 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Hulda (Hildi) Parker

Director District 3, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Janet Culver

Director District 4, At-Large, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Allison Burton

Fire Protection District 1

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Randy VanderHeiden

Fire Protection District 4

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Anna Melillo Trenouth

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Fire Protection District 5

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Bill Meursing
Judson Meraw

Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

Pat Harper
Donna Gillespie

Fire Protection District 7

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Paul Kelley
Eric Grant

Fire Protection District 8

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

David Lehmann

Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Keith Neher
Dustin Gleaves

Commissioner Position 5, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

L. H. (Butch) Markhart

Fire Protection District 11

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Wendell Terry

Fire Protection District 14

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Leonard (Shorty) Bjornstad

Fire Protection District 16

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Elvin Kalsbeek

Fire Protection District 17

Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

Susan A. Garlock

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 6 Year Term, Vote for One

William L. Carroll

Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

James W. Taxdahl

Fire Protection District 18

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Socorro Ruiz

Fire Protection District 21

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Bruce Ansell

Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Rich Bosman
Reid Campion

Commissioner Position 5, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Larry McPhail

Glacier Fire and Rescue

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Jan Eskola

South Whatcom Fire Authority

Commissioner District 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

James Willson

Commissioner District 3, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Bob Ekdahl

Water District 2

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Jon "Pete" Rittmueller

Point Roberts Water District 4

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Scott Hackleman

Water District 7

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

George Kaas

Birch Bay Water and Sewer District

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Don Montfort



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Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer District

Commissioner District 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Todd Citron

Commissioner District 4, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

Curtis Casey

Commissioner District 5, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 6 Year Term, Vote for One

John Carter

Samish Water District

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Mike Roberts

Water District 13

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Rebecca Cayen
Robert Vandenhaak

Glacier Water District 14

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Deborah Ellen Baker

Columbia Valley Water District

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Carl McDaniel
Shane J. Janitscheck

Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

Brian Gillis
Rosemary Rich

Acme Water District 18

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Gabe Harder

Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

Jim Sutterfield

Cemetery District 3

Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

Scott Robertson

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Floy R. Markham

Cemetery District 4

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Dixon Stremmler

Cemetery District 5

Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

Mary Boice

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Kenneth John Ferry

Cemetery District 6

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Brandi Tilton

Cemetery District 7

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Mario Bonilla

Cemetery District 8

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Dan Bourks

Cemetery District 9

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Tod Arnason

Cemetery District 10

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Troy Luginbill

Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

Micah Moses

Cemetery District 11

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Gerald Tenkley

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Point Roberts Park and Recreation District 1

**Proposition 2017-7
Regular Property Tax Levies**

The Board of Commissioners of Point Roberts Park and Recreation District No. 1 adopted Resolution No. 17-4 concerning the following question: To support its programs and operations and replace an expiring levy, will the Point Roberts Park and Recreation District be authorized to impose regular property tax levies of \$0.215 or less per \$1,000 of assessed valuation on property within the District for each of six consecutive years, commencing with a levy in 2017 for collection in 2018 and ending with a levy in 2022 for collection in 2023, as provided in District Resolution No. 17-4. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes _____
No _____

Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Office, Short and Full 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Sonya Erica Liu

Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Arthur S. Reber

Blaine-Birch Bay Park and Recreation District 2

**Proposition 2017-8
Authorizing Continuing Property Tax Levy**

At their July 11, 2017 meeting, the Board of Commissioners of Blaine-Birch Bay Park and Recreation District 2 adopted Resolution No. 2017-02 for continuing a property tax levy of \$0.10 or less per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for a six (6) year period (2018 - 2023) to fund staffing, operations, community program support, maintenance and capital improvements. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes _____
No _____

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Sheli Moore

Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Billy Brown

Lynden Regional Park and Recreation District 3

Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Kevin Burke
Jerimy Saldivar
Rick Lair

Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

Tyler (T.J.) Timmermans

Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Nell McKay
Bob Johnson

Columbia Valley Park and Recreation District

**Proposition 2017-2
Establishing Six Year Regular Property Tax Levy**

The Board of Commissioners of Columbia Valley Park and Recreation District, Whatcom County, Washington, adopted Resolution No. 01-2017 authorizing a regular property tax levy of \$0.60 or less per \$1,000.00. This Proposition would authorize the District to establish and maintain its regular property tax levy of \$0.60 or less per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for collection in 2018 through 2023 subject to any otherwise applicable statutory dollar rate limitations. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes _____
No _____

Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Donnell (Tank) Tanksley

Commissioner Position 5, Nonpartisan Office, 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Jessica Bee



Lummi Island Park & Recreation District

If Proposition 2017-4 fails, Proposition 2017-5 and commissioner positions shall be null and void.

Formation of Lummi Island Park and Recreation District Proposition 2017-4

This proposition concerns the formation of the Lummi Island Park and Recreation District. This proposition would create the Lummi Island Park and Recreation District, to be governed by five elected Park Commissioners. Should this proposition be enacted into law?

Yes _____
No _____

Lummi Island Park and Recreation District Proposition 2017-5 Establishing Six Year Regular Property Tax Levy

This proposition would authorize the district to impose a property tax levy of \$0.60 (60 cents) or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for six (6) years to fund recreational facilities. Should this proposition be enacted into law?

Yes _____
No _____

Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Or 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Robert (Bob) Auld

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Or 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Janice Holmes

Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Or 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Ian Kirouac

Commissioner Position 4, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Or 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Randy Smith

Commissioner Position 5, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Or 4 Year Term, Vote for One

Noelle Maher
Tamia Sorensen

Chuckanut Community Forest Park District

Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan Office, 2 Year Unexpired Term, Vote for One

John McLaughlin

Commissioner Position 3, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Susan Kaun

Commissioner Position 5, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Frank James

Hospital District 304

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Chuck Ruhl

Commissioner Position 2, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Jeri Kaufman

Point Roberts Public Hospital District

Commissioner Position 1, Nonpartisan Office, 6 Year Term, Vote for One

Robin Nault