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STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: DES Building, Room 2330 1500 Jefferson Street Olympia, WA 98501

MEETING DATE: October 12, 2017

Agenda Items	Committee Actions/Discussion
1. Welcome and Introductions	 Meeting called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Steve Simpson. <u>Members in Attendance</u>: Steve Simpson, Dave DeWitte, Leanne Guier; Eric Vander Mey, Jim Tinner <u>Other Council Members Present</u>: Doug Orth <u>Staff In Attendance</u>: Richard Brown, Managing Director; Tim Nogler, Managing Director; Krista Braaksma <u>Visitors Present</u>: Jed Scheuermann, Jim King
2. Review & Approve Agenda	The <u>agenda</u> was approved as written.
3. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda	None offered.
4. Legislative Relations	Tim Nogler reminded members the Council had requested the Committee meet and discuss the role of the Legislative Committee and how the Council interacts with the Legislature. The Council's attorney, when asked if the council could advocate and take positions on bills, said state agencies can directly lobby the legislature and can advocate for or against legislation as long as it is about official agency business. If the Council was more directly under DES, it would be DES lobbying and the Council would be restricted from participating. In order to lobby on a bill, there must be clear support from the Council to do so. Someone must be designated to represent the Council and there must be a clear rationale of the position with a resolution detailing the points of action taken by the representative.
	Tim said he was cautioned that individuals lobbying personally, should clearly identify themselves and who they represent without mentioning the Council. Tim advocated individuals specify they are not testifying on behalf of the Council.
	Dave DeWitte asked if the resolution would need to be unanimous. Tim replied that the attorney said it required clear approval. It would be up to the Council to set that specific, whether it was a simple majority or a 2/3 majority.
	Dave felt the attorney's opinion was in direct conflict with the information coming from legislators last year. Tim said the Council could request a second opinion from the

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