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Snohomish County Treasurer Sullivan Announces Transition Team Leadership

Volunteers will examine all aspects of Treasurer's Office and make recommendations for improvement

EVERETT, Wash., February 3, 2020 – Today, Snohomish County Treasurer Brian Sullivan announced the formation of an all-volunteer Transition Team to help provide advice and recommendations for improving the Treasurer's Office. Since taking office on January 1, 2020, Brian has been reaching out to community leaders and experts who are able to provide a detailed analysis of the Treasurer's Office.

"I want to ensure we are doing everything possible to run the Treasurer's Office with complete honesty and transparency," said Sullivan. "By appointing an all-volunteer transition team, I can receive expert advice and recommendations across the entire range of responsibilities for the office. I fully appreciate the important role the office plays and want to ensure we are leaving no stone unturned in our effort to maintain the high standard of integrity our residents expect."

The members of the Transition Team will be:

- Nick Harper, Deputy Mayor, City of Everett
- Morrie Trautman, Investment Manager (retired)
- Don Schwab, Division Chief, Everett Fire Department
- Norm Craft, CPA
- Carol Tabor, Coordinator, and former analyst for Snohomish County (retired)
- John Lovick, Legislative advisor
- Stephanie Wright, Council Finance Chair Liaison

"Our community relies on an efficient and modern Treasurer's Office for tax collections, and I am fully committed to helping Brian ensure all operations are working at 100%," said Nick Harper. "There is an enormous body of work that the office must accomplish every year with a relatively small staff. If we can provide some ideas for greater productivity, it will benefit everyone, not least our taxpayers."

The analysis will include but is not limited to the review of: accounts, purchase processes, human resource policies, cash management systems, and investment practices. A final, public report will be issued when the Transition Team has finished their work.

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