



**Commission Special Meeting / Retreat Minutes  
Saturday, February 21, 2026**

**Call to Order**

Commission President Jasmine Vasavada called the Commission Special Meeting / Retreat of February 21, 2026, to order and open to the public at 9:02 a.m., at the ASHHO Cultural Event Center, 5757 Littlerock SW, #4, Tumwater, Washington.

**Present**

Commissioners: Jasmine Vasavada – President, Sarah Montano – Vice President, Joel Hansen – Secretary, Jerry Toompas and Krag Unsoeld.

Staff: Alex Smith, Executive Director.

**Understanding Strategic Priorities of Each Commissioner**

The Commissioners each identified key priorities they would like to see during their tenure as Port Commissioners, followed by opportunities for clarifying questions and discussion of the priorities.

The Commissioners discussed areas of alignment and where opinions differed. The Commission aligned around:

- a. Looking for ways to support meaningful industrial or commercial development in Yelm and/or south Thurston County;
- b. Ensuring the Port is providing transparency, building trust with the community, and improving communications;
- c. Giving Commissioners and the public a clearer and deeper understanding of the Port budget;
- d. Developing an actionable strategic plan that the Port uses to build budgets, and develop work plans and KPIs; and prioritizing environmental stewardship.

The Commission also discussed how to make priorities actionable and developing ways to track progress and success on the goals.

**Adjournment**

The February 21, 2026 Commission Special Meeting / Retreat was adjourned at 1:00 p.m. with no decisions being made, and no action taken.

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Jasmine Vasavada, President

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Joel Hansen, Secretary