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Eastside Business Alliance Offers Early Endorsements for 2017 Elections
Eastside Business Community to back challengers in competitive races

Bellevue, WA – The Eastside Business Alliance (EBA), a political action committee consisting of Eastside business leaders, today announced early endorsements for two key municipal races in the 2017 General Election.

Among the competitive campaigns for local office this year, EBA has elected to endorse early in two races, where challenger candidates offered strong statements in support of business-friendly public policies.

The candidates receiving early endorsements for the General Election include:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Candidate</u>
Redmond City Council, Position 2	Steve Fields
Sammamish City Council, Position 5	Chris Ross

An aggressive voice for change at Redmond City Hall, Steve Fields had this to say about EBA's backing; "I'm grateful for EBA's endorsement and support. I will be an innovative voice on City Council for local businesses."

Chris Ross noted the EBA endorsement exemplifies his commitment to help business thrive in Sammamish: "On the Sammamish Council, I'll be a voice for fiscal responsibility and to keep taxes in check for homeowners and businesses alike."

Candidates previously endorsed by EBA in this cycle include:

Bellevue City Council, Position 4	Jared Nieuwenhuis
Port of Seattle Commission, Position 1,	John Creighton
Port of Seattle Commission, Position 3	Stephanie Bowman
Bellevue City Council, Position 2	Conrad Lee
Kirkland City Council, Position 5	Amy Walen

The Eastside Business Alliance will announce additional endorsements for the 2017 General Election in the coming weeks.

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