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DDC October 2025 Council Meeting Updates

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Hi everyone,

All of us on staff hope all is well for you. We are excited to see you soon in Port Angeles. We have been working very hard to make sure the experience will be smooth, informative and meaningful for all of you. The Council meeting Packet is now available on our website WADDC but you may also access the packet and the Packet Talk video here:

WA DD Council Meeting Packet

Packet Talk October 2025

Within the packet is the "Things You Need to Know" document. It details important things to understand as you arrive and participate in the meetings. The document is also attached to this e-mail. An important thing to note is the Clallam Mosaic Film Festival happening the on the evening of the October 16th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. The event is designed to bring to together the Council with the IDD community in Clallam County. Please plan to attend. There will be light refreshments, but these are not a substitute for dinner. A Restaurant List is provided in the packet to plan your meal on your own or with others prior to or after the event.

One final note, this upcoming Council meeting is more consequential than most. We will be determining the activities to be included in the next 5-Year State Plan and approving the Council's Legislative Priorities for the next legislative session in January 2026. These are among the most important things you can do as Council members. Your involvement empowers the Council's participation in the legislative advocacy process now and determines the Council's

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work into the next decade. It is our extreme hope you will read the packet, particularly the portion on the Legislative Priorities and the State Plan Activities. We realize that this is a lot to read so we have created plain language summary documents that may be useful. Additionally, look in your e-mail and on the Council website early next week for a very special episode of Packet Talk hosted Emily Rogers and me. This edition will focus only on the Legislative Priorities and State Plan Activities.

If you have any questions at all, please reach out to any of us on staff. We will be happy to assist. As mentioned, we are excited to see everyone, wish safe travels and please read your packet.

Thanks,

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