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### **CITY HIRES NEW STATE LEGISLATIVE LOBBYIST**

*Debora Munguia Will Serve Edmonds in Olympia*

**(Edmonds, WA)** - After several years of outstanding service by Olympia lobbyist Jennifer Ziegler, who is cutting back her workload in 2020, Mayor Earling has engaged the services of Olympia-based Debora Munguia to provide government relations and lobbyist services in 2020.

The City issued a Request for Proposals in October and received proposals from two very competent firms. After interviews and reference checks, Debora Munguia come out on top as the best fit for Edmonds. In fact, included among her references was outgoing Ziegler.

Munguia has worked since January 2006 as a professional, registered lobbyist, representing a wide range of clients covering such policy areas as transportation, environmental and social issues, as well as municipal concerns.

Her current client list includes the cities of Shoreline, Olympia and Cheney, as well as the Woodland Park Zoo, Big Brothers Big Sisters, the Pacific Education Institute, and the Washington Affordable Homeownership Coalition.

“I’m delighted to engage Debora Munguia to serve Edmonds in Olympia,” commented Mayor Earling. “Her skills in political strategy, communication, policy analysis and her extensive professional network in Olympia will serve our City well as we seek capital and transportation

funds, as well as legislation that benefits our community. What's more, Debora is very personable and will be a great representative of Edmonds.”

Ms. Munguia will hit the ground running, officially starting in December, to ensure some overlap with Ms. Ziegler for a smooth transition and hand-off in advance of the 2020 Legislative Session that will start on January 13<sup>th</sup>.

For more information about the City's legislative agenda and/or government relations, feel free to contact Patrick Doherty, Director, Economic Development & Community Services, at [patrick.doherty@edmondswa.gov](mailto:patrick.doherty@edmondswa.gov).

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