

# Olympia City Council Core Values and Ground Rules

# **OUR CORE VALUES**

The common ground we stand on in times of disagreement

## Integrity

Being authentic • protecting trust to address the public's needs • owning who you are and where you come from

## **Stewardship**

Acting as guardians of the common good of the City

#### Wisdom

Being open and willing to seek & consider input • Being compassionate and just

Serving with joy and kind-spirited humor



## **OUR GROUND RULES**

Be thoughtful about perspective ("balcony" vs. "dance floor")

Share the floor

#### Listen

Minimize side-bar conversations
Be open to hearing other people's perspectives
Listen without judgment (inquiry before advocacy)
Question assumptions (yours own and others)
Respect confidences and confidentiality

#### Be honest

Use tact and be gracious

Respect the body, the process, and each other