

WAC 34-04-100 Review of denials of public records requests. (1)

Any person who objects to the denial of a request for public records may petition for prompt review of such decision by submitting a written request for review. The written request shall specifically refer to the written statement by the public records officer or other staff member which constituted or accompanied the denial.

(2) Following receipt of a written request for review of a decision denying a request for public records, the public records officer or other authorized staff member denying the request shall refer it to the chairperson of the commission. The chairperson, or designee, shall immediately consider the matter and either affirm or reverse such denial. The request shall be returned with the final decision, within two business days following the original denial.

(3) Administrative remedies shall not be considered exhausted until the request has been returned with a decision or until the close of the second business day following denial of inspection, whichever occurs first.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 34.04.020, 34.04.060, 42.17.250, 42.17.260 and 42.30.070. WSR 82-20-015 (Order 82-1), § 34-04-100, filed 9/28/82.]