



Michael Eklund-Grayum, MPA

Dynamic, results-oriented City Administrator and municipal government leader with comprehensive knowledge of state, federal, and local government operations. Proven success advancing organizational priorities, creating high-performing teams, developing communitycentered solutions, and promoting customer service excellence internally and externally. Skilled at advancing complex projects in fast-paced, multifaceted (and sometimes ambiguous) environments by helping teams effectively navigate the intersection of politics, public policy, media, and stakeholders.



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Key Strengths

- Public policy
- Strategic planning
- Government relations & legislative advocacy
- Communications
- Operations
- Collaboration with external partners & industry associations
- Change management & Process improvement
- Policy analysis, development & implementation
- Budget development & implementation



Career Highlights

- Executive Manager for state agencies focused on economic development, natural resource management and environmental sustainability
- **Director of Government Relations**
- City Administrator
- Mayor
- City Councilmember
- Commissioner, appointed by Governors Locke, Gregoire, and Inslee, to champion AmeriCorps national and community service programs

"Michael is energetic, effective, and efficient. He is exceptionally passionate about ensuring the success of the projects he works on, and in community engagement. He leads with enthusiasm and with high, but achievable expectations."

Line Roy, City Council, City of Yelm & Chamber Executive Director

"Michael has great communication skills, is always able to sort through complicated issues and get to their core. Michael is organized and focused and he is a pleasure to work with. His information and recommendations are always rock solid. I endorse him heartily." Dave Somers, County Executive,

Snohmish County

"Most importantly though, Michael is the real deal - he listens with empathy, leads with integrity and helps everyone around him grow and work better together. He was integral to our success and will be a great addition to any organization he works with in the future."

J.W. Foster, Mayor, City of Yelm

