

# The Mystery of The Levy Signs



**And the moral to this story?**

**"always measure twice then cut once"  
or: *"Don't Always Assume The Obvious"***

Supporters of South Kitsap School (SSKS) submitted a complaint to the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) related to the SKSD levy request (see complaint submitted below). It is alleged that Citizens Supporting South Kitsap Schools (CSSKS) posted Vote No Levy Signs throughout our community. Interestingly enough these No Levy signs were removed, some defaced (see photo below) and then replaced with SKKS Vote Yes Levy signs during the election. Keep in mind that SSKS is the sole registered political action committee that works with our school district to try and pass bonds and levies.

The Public Disclosure Commission did look into Gerry Austin, (SSKS Treasurer's) allegations against CSSKS and found them to be without merit. The entire case and case resolution is posted here. . Before the CSSKS case was adjudicated a community member made inquires to our local government asking if these government entities had been removing Vote No signs. All local government entities asked responded in the negative. Well, that was all Mr. Austin had to hear. He immediately filed yet another complaint with the PDC (this was his third complaint). He has now alleged that Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ was guilty of the alleged offense of putting up No SKSD LEVY signs. The proverbial "Ah-Ha" moment for Mr. Austin. The PDC has not yet finish it "investigation" into the third complaint.

What about the second complaint? The second complaint by Mr. Austin was against the Committee Opposing the SKSD 2021 Levy. That case was also found to be without merit by the PDC and the results are also posted on this website. There has been three counter complaints against SSKS and SKSD by two community members. Those cases are currently being investigated by the PDC. Those cases will also be posted once adjudicated by the Public Disclosure Commission.

## ***The signs at the heart of the dispute***

