



Puget Sound Regional Council

MINUTES

Growth Management Policy Board

Thursday, November 6, 2025

Hybrid Meeting – PSRC Board Room: 1201 Third Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98101

[To watch a video of the meeting and hear the discussion, go to
<https://www.psrc.org/watch-meetings>]

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Councilmember Ed Prince, Chair.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Prince announced that the Growth Management Policy Board meetings will be moving to the third Thursday of the month starting in 2026. He also thanked outgoing members of the board.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director of Growth Management Paul Inghram welcomed the board and introduced Robin Koskey, PSRC's Director of Government Relations and Communications, who briefed the board on federal and state policy updates.

Paul mentioned the Regional Transportation Plan virtual public meeting coming up on November 20, 2025, and introduced the items on the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve Minutes of Growth Management Policy Board Meeting held October 2, 2025.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Rolfes/Dunn) to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed.

DISCUSSION ITEM: REGIONAL CENTERS REDESIGNATION

The board reviewed regional growth centers criteria and continued the discussion of redesignation for existing centers. PSRC staff shared drafts of center criteria and certification reports for nine regional growth centers in Everett, Seattle, and Tacoma. In early 2026, staff will ask the board to make a recommendation to the Executive Board on redesignating regional centers.

DISCUSSION ITEM: 2025 HOUSING MONITORING UPDATE

The Growth Management Policy Board provided feedback on how housing monitoring data can help jurisdictions meet new state housing requirements. PSRC staff shared new metrics and analysis for 2025 on housing affordability, the production of emergency housing, and permanent supportive housing. The housing policy landscape is evolving at all levels of government and PSRC will continue to monitor and report findings to the board.

DISCUSSION ITEM: REGIONAL ECONOMIC STRATEGY UPDATE

PSRC staff provided a brief update on the development of the Regional Economic Strategy, including an overview of the draft process and in particular the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT) analysis. The inputs from the SWOT analysis in tandem with the Engagement Hub responses will inform the update to the Regional Economic Strategy. In December, the Economic Development District Board will prioritize strategies and discuss PSRC's role in regional economic development.

NEXT MEETING

The board will meet on Thursday, January 15, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Topics include:

- Plan Certifications
- Centers Redesignation
- 2026 Regional TOD Committee Work Plan

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

ATTACHMENTS

- a. Attendance Roster – November 6, 2025



January 8, 2026

ACTION ITEM

To: Growth Management Policy Board

From: Paul Inghram, Director of Growth Management

Subject: Recommend Certification of Comprehensive Plans for Des Moines

IN BRIEF

At its January meeting, the Growth Management Policy Board will be asked to recommend certification of the Des Moines comprehensive plan and staff will present highlights of the overall certification process and comprehensive plan updates.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Growth Management Policy Board and Transportation Policy Board should recommend that the Executive Board certify that the transportation-related provisions in the following conform to the Growth Management Act and are consistent with the multicounty planning policies and the Regional Transportation Plan:

- **City of Des Moines 2024 Comprehensive Plan ([link](#))**

The draft certification report is available at the link provided for the board's review.

DISCUSSION

A major emphasis of the Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA) is the need to coordinate local, regional and state planning efforts. Within the central Puget Sound region, local governments and the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) have worked together to develop an overall process for reviewing local, countywide, regional and transit agency policies and plans for compatibility and consistency.

Consistent with [PSRC's plan review process](#), PSRC staff provided comments on the

Growth Management Policy Board - November 6, 2025					
Voting Members		✓	Non-voting Members		✓
King County	2	CM Sarah Perry	Associate Members		
		Vacant	Alderwood Water and Wastewater District	1	COM Paul McIntyre John McClellan Alt
Seattle	2	CM Maritza Rivera CM Mark Solomon	Thurston Regional Planning Council	1	COM Chris Stearns Interim Executive Director Allison Osterberg Alt
		CM Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Alt			
Bellevue	1	CM Vishal Bhargava	1 Commerce	1	Dave Andersen Mark Barkley Alt
		CM Dave Hamilton, Alt			
Cities/Towns	3	CM Ed Prince, Renton - Chair CM Melissa Stuart, Redmond CM Pam Stuart, Sammamish	1 Public Health Agencies 1 PSRC Committees	1	Vacant DIR Chantall Harmon Reed, Tac-Pierce Cnty Alt Andrea Spencer
		CP Lindsey Walsh, Alt - Issaquah	Regional Staff Committee	1	Vacant
		CM Amy McHenry, Alt - Duvall			Michelle Stewart
		CP Satwinder Kaur, Alt - Kent	1 Equity Advisory Committee		Thanh Nguyen, Alt
Kitsap County	1	COM Christine Rolfes	1		1
		COM Oran Root, Alt	Private/Civic Members-Business/Labor		
Bremerton	1	MYR Greg Wheeler	1 Master Builders of King and Snohomish Counties	1	Brian Holtzclaw Vacant Alt
		CM Eric Younger, Alt			
Cities/Towns	1	DM Jon Quitslund, Bainbridge Isl	1 Natural and Built Environments (exp.)	1	Angela Rozmyn Robert Pantley Alt
		MYR Ashley Mathews, Alt - Bainbridge Isl			
Pierce County	1	CM Robyn Denson	Individual	1	Charlotte Murry Vacant Alt
		CM Paul Herrera, Alt			
Tacoma	1	CM Sandesh Sadalge	1 Private/Civic Members-Community/Environment		
		CM Sarah Rumbaugh, Alt	Futurewise	1	Alex Brennan Jazmine Smith, Alt
Cities & Towns	1	MYR Ben Coronado, Gig Harbor	1		
		CM Andy Elfers, Alt - Sumner	Housing Development Consortium - Seattle/King	1	Patience Malaba Jesse Simpson Alt
Snohomish County	1	CM Megan Dunn - Vice Chair	1		1
		CM Sam Low, Alt	Emerald Alliance	1	Tracy Stanton Vacant Alt
Everett	1	CM Scott Bader	1		
		MYR Cassie Franklin, Alt			
Cities/Towns	1	MYR Joe Marine, Mukilteo	1		
		CM Mike Dixon, Mukilteo	Non Voting	12	8
Federally Recognized Tribes					
Muckleshoot Indian Tribe	1	Vacant			
Puyallup Tribe of Indians	1	Robert Barandon			
		Vacant			
Suquamish Tribe	1	Vacant			
		Alison O'Sullivan Alt			
Statutory Members					
Ports	1	COM John McCarthy, Tacoma			
		COM Deanna Keller, Alt - Tacoma			
WSDOT	1	Jeff Storrar	1	Abbreviations	
		JoAnn Schueler, Alt		CM Councilmember	
Voting	22	(Quorum = 11) Quorum Total	13	COM Commissioner	
				CP Council President	
				DM Deputy Mayor	