

MINUTES

Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board Wednesday, May 4, 2022 Hybrid Meeting

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board of Directors was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Commissioner Axel Strakeljahn, President. To determine attendance and that a quorum was present, a verbal roll call was conducted by staff.

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

CPSEDDB MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES PRESENT

See attached attendance roster.

COMMUNICATIONS AND CITIZEN COMMENT

The board hear public comment from the following individuals:

- Marguerite Richard
- Alex Tsimerman

One written comment was received after the board meeting, and the comment was shared with the board via email.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Axel Strakeljahn welcomed everyone to the May 4, 2022 meeting and thanked the board members for their attendance.

STAFF REPORT

Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager, updated the board on PSRC projects and events, included in the May 4, 2022 agenda, on pages 17-18.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: It was moved (Lee) and seconded (Morell) to: (a) approve the minutes of meeting held February 2, 2022 (b) approve the vouchers dated February 7, 2022, thru April 18, 2022, in the amount of \$38,993.01. The motion passed.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Washington Workforce Development Coordination

Katie Condit, CEO of WorkForce Central and WWA Vice Chair, provided an update on current workforce coordination efforts of the Washington Workforce Association. The WWA is a membership organization of Washington's Local Workforce Development Boards, which coordinate workforce investments to advance the economic health of their respective communities through a skilled and competitive workforce.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Arts & Culture Recovery Strategy Update

PSRC is managing a project led by BERK consulting to assist in economic recovery and resiliency for the nonprofits arts and culture industry in the central Puget Sound region. BERK staff, Vivien Savath and Katherine Goetz, joined by Sarah Sidman of ArtsFund, provided an update on the project including initial data analysis and key findings.

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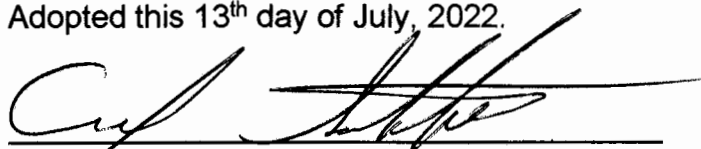
Regional Economic Data Trends

Noah Boggess, Associate Planner with PSRC, provided an update on recent data highlighting demographic and economic trends in the region since the onset of COVID-19, including work status and teleworking trends from the 2021 Household Travel Survey.

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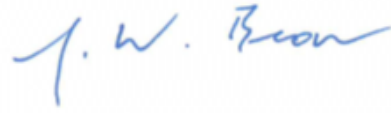
The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Adopted this 13th day of July, 2022.

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Commissioner Axel Strakeljahn, President
Central Puget Sound Economic Development District

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. W. Brown". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Josh Brown, Executive Director