



# Puget Sound Regional Council

## MINUTES

**Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board  
Thursday, January 27, 2022, 10 – 11:30 AM  
Hybrid Meeting, PSRC Board Room**

## CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Executive Board was called to order at 10:01 AM by King County Councilmember Claudia Balducci, PSRC President. This was the Executive Board's first hybrid meeting, allowing for remote and in-person attendance. A video of the meeting was streamed live as well as recorded and will be available for viewing on PSRC's website. A call-in number was provided on the meeting agenda for members of the public to call-in by phone and listen live to the meeting. Roll call determined attendance and that a quorum was present.

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

## COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Verbal comments were received from Brock Howell.

## PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Balducci welcomed the following new board members:

- Commissioner Ryan Calkins has changed positions from alternate to member representing Port of Seattle
- Commissioner Sam Cho is the new alternate for Port of Seattle
- Councilmember Jennifer Robertson the new alternate representing City of Bellevue
- Enumclaw Mayor Jan Molinaro the new alternate representing Other Cities & Towns in King County
- Steve Roark a new alternate for WSDOT

She reported that she is working with Vice President Erickson to finalize the 2022 performance goals for PSRC Executive Director Josh. In February, board members will receive an email forwarding the goals. She commented, "These goals that I am

forwarding to you will be used to evaluate Josh's performance during his next annual performance review in December of 2022." She asked that members keep an eye out for that email.

She asked that members mark their calendars for PSRC's Annual General Assembly scheduled for May 26, 2022, from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM, location to be determined. A "save the date" notice will be sent soon.

President Balducci reported that in February I will announce the 2022 nominating committee, which is tasked with proposing candidates for the positions of PSRC President and Vice President at the General Assembly.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Vice President Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee, reported that at today's meeting the Operations Committee recommended the approval of vouchers dated November 15, 2021 through January 10, 2022 in the Amount of \$1,830,912.20; and approved the adoption of the 2022 Amendment to PSRC's Title VI Plan. The committee also reviewed PSRC's 2021 Base Pay Market Study. This is an annual study comparing PSRC's pay with the external market to ensure that the agency's salaries remain competitive with comparable jurisdictions.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Strakeljahn/Wahl) to: (a) Approve Minutes of Meeting Held December 2, 2021 (b) Approve Vouchers Dated November 15, 2021 through January 10, 2022 in the Amount of \$1,830,912.20 and (c) Adopt 2022 Amendment to PSRC's Title VI Plan d. Adopt Routine Amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.**

**The motion passed unanimously.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Approve Growth Management Policy Board Chair Appointment**

President Claudia Balducci stated that the bylaws of the Puget Sound Regional Council require the President to recommend policy board chairs to the Executive Board for approval.

"Pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement, and to applicable state and federal laws, a Transportation Policy Board and a Growth Management Policy Board shall be established to advise the Executive Board on regional transportation and growth management issues, and on any other matters as directed by the Executive Board. Membership on the boards shall be consistent with the Interlocal Agreement, federal

and state requirements, and direction provided by the Executive Board. The Chairpersons and voting structure of the Policy Boards shall be recommended by the President to the Executive Board for approval.” (Regional Council Bylaws, Article VI, Section 10).

She reported that “I recommend that the Executive Board approve the appointment of Renton Councilmember Ed Prince as the new chair of the Growth Management Policy Board.”

Councilmember Ed Prince is the current Vice Chair of the Growth Management Policy Board and has agreed to serve as the new Chair. He is in his third term on the Renton City Council, Councilmember Prince is the Executive Director of the Washington State Commission on African American Affairs and previously worked for the Washington State House of Representatives.

Councilmember Price currently serves as President of the Sound Cities Association (SCA). He is also a member of the Sound Transit Board of Directors, and Co-chair of the King County Regional Homeless Authority. During his time on Renton’s city council, he has served on several other regional boards and committees, including:

- Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Legislative Committee
- Sound Cities Association (SCA) Public Issue Committee (PIC)
- Regional Transit Committee
- Regional Water Quality Committee
- Growth Management Planning Council
- SCA Legislative Committee
- AWC State and Federal Policy Committee
- Economic Development District Board

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Ockerlander/Backus) to approve the appointment of Renton Councilmember Ed Prince as new Chair of the Growth Management Policy Board.**

**The motion passed unanimously.**

### **Approve 2022 Policy Framework for PSRC’s Federal Funds**

Kelly McGourty, PSRC Director of Transportation Planning, briefed the board on the requested action to approve the 2022 Policy Framework for PSRC’s federal funds to include the recommended changes proposed by the Project Selection Task Force.

PSRC is required under federal legislation to have a documented process that provides the policies and guidance for how PSRC will approve, manage and administer projects to be selected to receive PSRC’s federal funds. PSRC has project selection authority for several sources of funds from both the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Prior to each funding cycle, the policies and



procedures for the project selection process are reviewed and updated to reflect current regional priorities and requirements and are documented in the Policy Framework for PSRC's Federal Funds. The Project Selection Task Force worked between April and November 2021 to review these policies and procedures and have recommended several revisions.

This includes development of an Equity Pilot Program and strengthening of criteria for equity and safety. The Equity Pilot Program will be funded through a set aside of 5% of PSRC's Federal Highway Administration Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds. PSRC will work with its new Equity Advisory Committee on the development and parameters of this program beginning in July 2022.

At its meeting on January 13, 2022, the Transportation Policy Board recommended approval of the 2022 Policy Framework for PSRC's Federal Funds as revised.

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Ralph/Backus) to approve the policies and procedures for the 2022 project selection process as documented in the 2022 Policy Framework for PSRC's Federal Funds.**

**The motion passed with one abstention.**

### **Approve and Initiate Implementation of the Regional Housing Strategy**

Laura Benjamin, PSRC Senior Planner, briefed the board on updates to the Regional Housing Strategy in response to Executive Board feedback provided at its October 28 and December 2 meetings. Ms. Benjamin reviewed the draft Regional Housing Strategy to further address equity, impacts of the pandemic, supply, and parking concerns. In the discussion that followed, the board directed staff to strengthen language related to discriminatory housing practices and increasing housing supply.

At its meeting on October 7, 2021, the Growth Management Policy Board recommended approval of the draft Regional Housing Strategy.

The Regional Housing Strategy will be brought back to the board for final approval in February.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

Included in the agenda packet was information on the Draft Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program, a new employee status report, and 2022 Executive Board and Operations Committee meeting schedule.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business brought before the board.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The Executive Board will next meet on Thursday, February 24, 2022, 10 – 11:30 AM.  
This will be a hybrid meeting.

## ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 AM.

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Adopted this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 2022.



Councilmember Claudia Balducci, President  
Puget Sound Regional Council

ATTEST:



Josh Brown, Executive Director

Attachments:  
eb2022-RSVPs

# Executive Board Meeting - January 27, 2022

Members and Alternates that participated for all or part of the meeting included:

1=Present

King County	2	EXC Dow Constantine	1
		CM Claudia Balducci	1
		CM Joe McDermott	
		Vacant Alt	
		CM Jeanne Kohl Welles Alt	
Seattle	4	Vacant	
		Vacant	
		CM Andrew Lewis	1
		CM Dan Strauss	
		CM Tammy Morales Alt	1
		CM Teresa Mosqueda Alt	
Bellevue	1	MYR Lynne Robinson	1
		CM Jennifer Robertson Alt	
Federal Way	1	MYR Jim Ferrell	
		Vacant Alt	
Kent	1	MYR Dana Ralph	1
		CM Toni Troutner Alt	
Kirkland	1	MYR Penny Sweet	1
		DP MYR Jay Arnold Alt	1
Renton	1	MYR Armondo Pavone	1
		CM Ed Prince Alt	
Redmond	1	MYR Angela Birney	1
		Vacant Alt	
Auburn	1	MYR Nancy Backus	1
		Vacant Alt	
Cities/Towns	3	MYR Amy Ockerlander, Duvall	1
		CM Chris Roberts, Shoreline	1
		MYR Allan Ekberg, Tukwila	1
		MYR David Baker, Kenmore Alt	
		CM James McNeal, Bothell Alt	
		MYR Jeff Wagner, Covington Alt	1
		MYR Mary Lou Pauly, Issaquah Alt	1
		MYR Jan Molinaro, Enumclaw	1
Kitsap County	1	COM Charlotte Garrido	1
		COM Robert Gelder Alt	
Bremerton	1	MYR Greg Wheeler	1
		Vacant Alt	
Port Orchard	1	MYR Rob Putaansuu	
		Vacant Alt	
		CM Jay Rosapepe Alt	1
Cities/Towns	1	MYR Becky Erickson, Poulsbo	1
		CM Leslie Schneider, Bainbridge Island Alt.	
Pierce County	2	EXC Bruce Dammeier	
		CM Derek Young	1
		CM Dave Morell Alt	
Tacoma	1	MYR Victoria Woodards	1
		Vacant Alt	
Lakewood	1	CM Don Anderson	1
		CM Linda Farmer Alt	
Cities & Towns	1	Vacant	
		CM Paul Bocchi, Lakewood Alt	
Snohomish County	2	EXC Dave Somers	1
		CM Sam Low	1
		CM Stephanie Wright Alt	
Everett	1	MYR Cassie Franklin	1
		CM Brenda Stonecipher Alt	
Cities/Towns	2	MYR Barbara Tolbert, Arlington	1
		CM Bryan Wahl, Mountlake Terrace	1
		Vacant Alt	
Port of Bremerton	1	COM Axel Strakeljahn	1
		COM Cary Bozeman Alt	
		COM Gary Anderson Alt	
Port of Everett	1	COM Glen Bachman	1
		COM Tom Stiger Alt	
Port of Seattle	1	COM Ryan Calkins	
		COMM Sam Cho	
Port of Tacoma	1	COM Dick Marzano	1
		Vacant Alt	
WA State Department of Transportation	1	Secretary Roger Millar	1
		Julie Meredith Alt	
		Mike Cotten Alt	
		Steve Roark	
		Robin Mayhew Alt	
WA State Transportation Commission	1	COMM Hester Serebrin	1
		COMM Jerry Litt Alt	