



Puget Sound Regional Council

MINUTES

**Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board
Thursday, March 24, 2022, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Hybrid Meeting, PSRC Board Room**

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Executive Board was called to order at 10:00 AM by King County Councilmember Claudia Balducci, PSRC President. 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

There were no public comments received.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Claudia Balducci welcomed the following new Executive Board alternates on the board.

- Everett Councilmember Don Schwab
- Port of Tacoma Commissioner Kristin Ang

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Vice President Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee, reported that at today's meeting the Operations Committee recommended approval of vouchers dated January 31, 2022 through March 14, 2022 in the Amount of \$998,351.05

The committee also approved contract authority to purchase audio/video web-streaming services, and contract authority for consultant services for budgeted Household Travel Survey in 2023, as part of a new eight-year program.

The committee heard from Andrew Werfelmann, PSRC's Budget Manager on the request to recommend approval of PSRC's Supplemental Budget and Work Program to the General Assembly. The Operations Committee has been working on the development of the budget since September 2021. Beginning in January 2022, PSRC policy boards were given the opportunity to review and comment on the budget. He reported that to date PSRC has not received any comments.

The supplemental budget and work program of \$32 million has no recommended overall changes in revenues or expenditures since the last administrative amendment in September 2021. Mayor Erickson stated that the budget the General Assembly adopted last year assumes dues increase of 4% in the coming fiscal year. She reminded the board that the dues increase continues to shore up PSRC's contingency fund, in line with the fiscal policy developed by the Operations Committee.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Wahl/Garrido) to: (a) Approve Minutes of Meeting held February 24, 2022 (b) Approve Vouchers Dated January 31, 2022 through March 14, 2022 in the Amount of \$998,351.05 (c) Approve Contract Authority to Purchase Audio/Video Web-Streaming Services (d) Approve Contract Authority for Consultant Services for Budgeted Household Travel Survey in 2023, as Part of a New Eight-Year Program (e) Adopt Routine Amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (f) Approve Project Submittals to WSDOT National Highway Freight Program Funding Competition (g) Approve Certification of the Frederickson MIC Subarea Plan.

The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Welcome Legislative Leadership to Discuss Move Ahead Washington

Josh Brown, PSRC Executive Director introduced and welcomed Representative Jake Fey, 27th Legislative District, House Transportation Committee Chair and Senator Marko Lias, 21st Legislative District, Senate Transportation Committee Chair to discuss Move Ahead Washington the new transportation funding package.

The Washington State Legislature approved the nearly \$17 billion, 16-year transportation package on March 10. This marks the beginning of a new era of transportation planning and funding in the state. It is the first statewide investment package to move ahead without an increase in the gas tax.

The package includes key funding for projects within the central Puget Sound region to support transit, safety projects, and equitable transportation. It also invests in projects

that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions through electrification and related projects. The new investments align with the Regional Transportation Plan and will help move many of its initiatives forward.

NEW BUSINESS

Recommend Projects for Approval from Rural Town Centers and Corridors Program and Transportation Alternatives Program

Sarah Gutschow, PSRC Senior Planner; and Jennifer Barnes, PSRC Program Manager briefed the board on the requested action to approve the Rural Town Centers and Corridors Program and the Transportation Alternatives Program.

PSRC recently conducted competitive processes to award funds under two separate project selection processes: the Rural Town Centers and Corridors Program and the Transportation Alternatives Program. On February 10, 2022, the Transportation Policy Board authorized the release of projects recommended for funding under both programs for public review and comment, including a prioritized contingency list of projects should additional funds become available prior to the next selection processes.

At its meeting on March 10, the Transportation Policy Board recommended Executive Board approval.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Sweet/Erickson) to approve Rural Town Centers and Corridors Program and Transportation Alternatives Program funding to the list of projects identified in Attachments A and B, along with the recommended prioritized lists of contingency projects.

The motion passed unanimously.

Recommend Adoption of Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program Fiscal Years 2022-2023

Andrew Werfelmann, PSRC Budget Manager, briefed the board on the requested action that the Executive Board request the General Assembly adopted the FY 2022-2023 Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program.

Last April, PSRC's General Assembly adopted a two-year budget and work program, which runs from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023. The adopted biennial budget includes an option to make an adjustment with a supplemental budget after the first year. Information on the proposed Supplemental Budget and Work Program was given to the Executive Board, Transportation Policy Board, Growth Management Policy Board, Regional Staff Committee, and the Economic Development Board during the month of January 2022 and members were invited to forward any comments to the Operations Committee.

PSRC staff did not receive any comments from board members on the supplemental budget and work program.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Erickson/Dammeier) to: (1) Recommend approval of the FY 2022-2023 Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program by the Executive Board and recommend adoption by the General Assembly on May 26, 2022 (2) Recommend that the General Assembly adopt Resolution PSRC-A-2022-01 authorizing the submittal of the adopted Supplemental Fiscal Year 2022- 2023 Biennial Budget and Work Program to the appropriate federal and state funding agencies.

The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Regional Transportation Plan Public Comment Review and Potential Revisions

Kelly McGourty, PSRC Director of Transportation Planning; and Ben Bakkenta, PSRC Director of Regional Planning provided the board with an overview of the comments received on the draft Regional Transportation Plan, including the number and type of commenters and overall comment themes.

The public comment period for the draft Regional Transportation Plan was conducted between January 13 and February 28, 2022. Comments were received from 73 individuals, 17 of PSRC's member agencies, and 22 other organizations including tribal governments, public agencies, non-profit and community organizations.

In addition to the specific proposals submitted during the public comment period, Transportation Policy Board members were requested to submit any additional plan amendments to PSRC by Friday, March 4. This date was set to allow staff to compile proposed amendments and forward on to the full board for review in advance of the March 10 Transportation Policy Board meeting.

There is much overlap of topics across amendments and with the public comments received, and staff is working to collate similar themes and prepare packages of proposed plan revisions to assist with board review and ultimate action.

The Transportation Policy Board plans to hold an additional meeting on March 31 as well as their regular meeting on April 14, at which time a recommendation to the Executive Board will be made.

The Executive Board is scheduled to discuss the Regional Transportation Plan at its March 24 and April 28 meetings, with final action scheduled for April.

The Executive Board is asked to hold the date of May 12 for a potential additional meeting should it be necessary to complete the recommendation prior to the May 26 General Assembly meeting,

INFORMATION ITEM

Included in the agenda packet was information on the May 26 General Assembly.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business brought before the board.

NEXT MEETING

The Executive Board will next meet on Thursday, April 28, 2022, 10 – 11:30 AM. This will be a hybrid meeting.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 12:03 PM.

Adopted this 28th day of April 2022.



Councilmember Claudia Balducci, President
Puget Sound Regional Council

ATTEST:



Josh Brown, Executive Director

Attachments:
eb2022mar24-attendance

Executive Board Meeting - March 24, 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 Alt	
		CM Jeanne Kohl Welles Alt	
Seattle	4	MYR Bruce Harrell	
		CM Andrew Lewis	
		CM Tammy Morales	
		CM Dan Strauss	
		CM Teresa Mosqueda Alt	
		CM Alex Pedersen Alt	
Bellevue	1	MYR Lynne Robinson	
		CM Jennifer Robertson Alt	1
Federal Way	1	MYR Jim Ferrell	
		Vacant Alt	
Kent	1	MYR Dana Ralph	
		CM Toni Troutner Alt	1
Kirkland	1	MYR Penny Sweet	1
		DP MYR Jay Arnold Alt	1
Renton	1	MYR Armondo Pavone	
		CM James Alberson, Jr. Alt	1
Redmond	1	MYR Angela Birney	
		CM Jessica Forsythe Alt	1
Auburn	1	MYR Nancy Backus	
		Vacant Alt	
Cities/Towns	3	MYR Amy Ockerlander, Duvall	
		CM Chris Roberts, Shoreline	1
		MYR Allan Ekberg, Tukwila	1
		MYR David Baker, Kenmore Alt	
		CM James McNeal, Bothell Alt	1
		MYR Jeff Wagner, Covington Alt	1
		MYR Mary Lou Pauly, Issaquah 2nd Alt	1
		MYR Jan Molinaro, Enumclaw 2nd Alt	1
Kitsap County	1	COM Charlotte Garrido	1
		COM Robert Gelder Alt	1
Bremerton	1	MYR Greg Wheeler	1
		CM Michael Goodnow Alt	
Port Orchard	1	MYR Rob Putaansuu	1
		CM Jay Rosapepe Alt	
Cities/Towns	1	MYR Becky Erickson, Poulsbo	1
		MYR Joe Deets, Bainbridge Island Alt	1
Pierce County	2	EXC Bruce Dammeier	1
		CM Derek Young	1
		CM Dave Morell Alt	
Tacoma	1	MYR Victoria Woodards	1
		CM Keith Blocker Alt	
Lakewood	1	CM Don Anderson	1
		CM Linda Farmer Alt	
Cities & Towns	1	CM Doug Fagundes, Fife	1
		MYR Pro Tem Javier Figueroa, University Place Alt	
Snohomish County	2	EXC Dave Somers	
		CM Sam Low	1
		CM Stephanie Wright Alt	
Everett	1	MYR Cassie Franklin	
		CM Don Schwab Alt	1
Cities/Towns	2	MYR Barbara Tolbert, Arlington	1
		MYR Pro Tem Bryan Wahl, Mountlake Terrace	1
		CM George Hurst, Lynnwood Alt	
		MYR Mason Thompson, Bothell Alt	1
Port of Bremerton	1	COM Axel Strakeljahn	1
		COM Carv Bozeman Alt	1
		COM Gary Anderson Alt	
Port of Everett	1	COM Glen Bachman	1
		COM Tom Stiger Alt	
Port of Seattle	1	COM Ryan Calkins	1
		COMM Sam Cho Alt	
Port of Tacoma	1	COM Dick Marzano	1
		COMM Kristin Ang Alt	
Washington State Department of Transportation	1	Secretary Roger Millar	
		Julie Meredith Alt	1
		Mike Cotten Alt	
		Steve Roark Alt	
		Robin Mayhew Alt	
Washington State Transportation Commission	1	COMM Hester Serebrin	
		COMM Jerry Litt Alt	