

Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board

Wednesday, June 7, 2023 • 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting - PSRC Board Room – 1011 Western Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, 98104

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- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call (10:00)**
- 2. Communications and Public Comments**
- 3. President's Remarks**
- 4. Staff Report**
- 5. Consent Agenda – Action Items (10:30)**
 - a. Approve Minutes of Meeting held March 1, 2023
 - b. Approve Vouchers dated March 15, 2023 thru March 16, 2023 in the amount of \$97.27
 - c. Adopt Fiscal Years 2024-2025 Budget and Work Program
- 6. Discussion Item (10:35)**
 - a. Washington Autonomous Vehicle Cluster (WAV-C) – *Seth Abelson, WAV-C Program Manager*
- 7. Discussion Item (11:15)**
 - a. Americas Competitiveness Exchange Recap – *Jason Thibedeau, PSRC*
- 8. Information Items**
 - a. Staff Report
- 9. Next Meeting – September 6, 2023**

10. Adjourn (12:00)

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CONSENT AGENDA

May 31, 2023

To: Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board
From: Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager
Subject: **Approve Minutes of Meeting held March 1, 2023**

MINUTES

Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board
Wednesday, March 1, 2023
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 heard public comment from the following individuals:

- Joe Kunzler

No other public comments were received.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Axel Strakeljahn welcomed everyone to the March 1, 2023 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 March 1, 2023 agenda, on pages 18-19. This agenda, as well as past materials for the board, can be found on the [Economic Development District](#)

[Board webpage](#). Robin Koskey, Director of Government Relations and Communications, provided a brief legislative update.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: It was moved (Lee) and seconded (Morell) to: (a) approve the minutes of meeting held December 7, 2022 (b) approve vouchers dated October 31, 2022 through January 27, 2023 in the amount of \$3,586.01 (c) ratify the 2023-2024 Executive Committee. Commissioner Simpson abstained. The motion passed.

DISCUSSION ITEM: 2024 PSRC Office Relocation

PSRC's office lease at Waterfront Place expires in early 2024. Andrew Werfelmann and Tsukuru Anderson briefed the board on the execution of a new lease for space on the fifth floor of 1201 Third Avenue in July 2022, with the agency expecting to move into the new office in late 2023 or early 2024.

DISCUSSION ITEM: VISION 2050 & Housing

Paul Inghram, Laura Benjamin, and Ben Kahn provided members with an overview of VISION 2050 with a focus on the Regional Housing Strategy and upcoming regional housing assistance work.

DISCUSSION ITEM: Regional Equity Strategy Update

Charles Patton and Noah Boggess updated the board on PSRC staff and Equity Advisory Committee (EAC) progress on regional equity work, including co-creating elements of the Regional Equity Strategy. This strategy will provide guidance to help members work in a coordinated manner towards the region's goal of providing an exceptional quality of life and opportunity for all. The Regional Equity Strategy will also provide guidance and training for staff to ensure the agency effectively uses its roles to advance racial equity.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Adopted this 7th day of June, 2023.

Commissioner Axel Strakeljahn, President
Central Puget Sound Economic Development District

ATTEST:

Josh Brown, Executive Director

Attachments:
EDD Member Attendance – March 1, 2023

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Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board				
Voting Members			Voting Members	
King County	2	EXEC Dow Constantine	Ports	
		Vacant Alt	Port of Bremerton	1 COM Axel Strakeljahn*
		Ashton Allison Alt	1	COM Cary Bozeman Alt
		CM Reagan Dunn	Port of Everett	1 COM David Simpson
		Vacant Alt		COM Glen Bachman Alt
		Cody Eccles Alt	Port of Seattle	1 COM Hamdi Mohamed
Seattle	2	CM Sara Nelson	1	Vacant Alt
		Vacant Alt		Annie Tran Alt
		Jeremy Mohn Alt	Port of Tacoma	1 COM Kristin Ang*
		MYR Bruce Harrell		COM Deanna Keller Alt
		Vacant Alt	Commerce	
		Markham McIntyre Alt	WA Dept. of Commerce	1 Chris Green
Bellevue	1	CM Conrad Lee*	1	Marie Davis Alt
		Deputy MYR Jared Nieuwenhuis Alt	Chambers of Commerce	1 Andrea Reay, Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce*
		Anthony Gill Alt		Vacant Alt
Cities/Towns	2	CM Ed Prince, Renton	Economic Development	
		CM Lydia Assefa-Dawson, Federal Way	EDC - Seattle & King	1 Rachel Smith
		CM Kathy Hougardy, Tukwila Alt	1	Vaughn Taylor Alt
		CM James Mayhew, Snoqualmie Alt	KEDA - Kitsap	1 Joe Morrison
Kitsap County	1	COM Charlotte Garrido		James Davis Alt
		COM Katie Walters Alt	EASC - Snohomish	1 Garry Clark
Bremerton	1	MYR Greg Wheeler	1	Wendy Poischbeg Alt
		CM Jeff Coughlin Alt	EDB - Tacoma & Pierce	1 Bruce Kendall
Cities/Towns	1	CM Ed Stern, Poulsbo*	1	Tamsin Bell Alt
		CM Shawn Cucciardi, Port Orchard Alt	Workforce Development Councils	
Pierce County	1	CM Dave Morell*	1 WDC - Pierce	1 William Dowling
		CM Marty Campbell Alt	OWDC - Kitsap	Katie Condit Alt
Tacoma	1	CM Joe Bushnell	1	Organized Labor
		CM Keith Blocker Alt	WSLC	1 April Sims, WSLC President
Cities/Towns	1	CM Brandon Green, City of Buckley	1	Chelsea Mason-Placek Alt
		CM Bryan Yambe, City of Fife Alt	Residential Appointments	
Snohomish County	1	CM Jared Mead		1 Alex Pietsch, WSU Foundation
		CM Megan Dunn Alt		1 Tom Florino, Amazon*
Everett	1	MYR Cassie Franklin		Emily Wittman, President & CEO, Aerospace Futures Alliance
		CM Don Schwab Alt		1 Terry Ryan, Snohomish County*
		Dan Eernisse Alt	1	1 Michael Greer, President & CEO, ArtsFund
Cities/Towns	1	MYR Barb Tolbert	1	Non-voting Members
		CM Stephanie Vignal, Mill Creek Alt	PSRC President, Ex-Officio	Bob Drewel
Federally Recognized Tribes			PSRC President	Claudia Balducci
Puyallup Tribe of Indians	1	Vacant	Navy Region NW	Bill Bulis, Executive Director
		Vacant Alt		Stephen Whalen, RCPLA Alt
Suquamish Tribe	1	CHR Leonard Forsman		
		CM Jay Mills Alt	Abbreviations	
			CM Councilmember	* Executive Committee
			COM Commissioner	1 = Voting Member for Meeting
Voting	34	(Quorum = 14) Quorum Total	24	CHR Chair

CONSENT AGENDA

May 31, 2023

To: Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board

From: Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager

Subject: **Approve Vouchers dated March 15, 2023 thru March 16, 2023 in the amount of \$97.27**

IN BRIEF

PSRC vouchers are reviewed by the Operations Committee and approved by the Executive Board. To comply fully with RCW 42.24.080, vouchers for the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District (CPSEDD) should be approved by the EDD Board as well.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The EDD Board should approve the following vouchers:

Approved Vouchers dated March 15, 2023 thru March 16, 2023 in the amount of			
	\$97.27		
REQUESTED			
<u>WARRANT DATE</u>	<u>VOUCHER NUMBER</u>		<u>TOTALS</u>
3/15/2023	Payroll 39471	\$	34.40
3/16/2023	AP 12876	\$	62.87
		\$	97.27

For more information, contact Andrew Werfelmann, Budget Manager, at 206-971-3292, or awerfelmann@psrc.org.

Attachments:
A/P Check Batches



Puget Sound Regional Council


Date: June 7, 2023

A/P Check Batches		
Dated	Check Numbers	Amount
03/16/23	12876	\$62.87
03/15/23 (Payroll)	39471	\$34.40
Hand Checks		\$0.00
Total		<u>\$97.27</u>

Payment Certification RCW(42.24.080)

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury, that the materials have been furnished, the services rendered, the labor performed as described, or that any advance payment is due and payable pursuant to a contract or is available as an option for full or partial fulfillment of a contractual obligation, and that the claim(s) is(are) just, due and unpaid obligations against the above-named governmental unit, that we are authorized to authenticate and certify to said claim(s).

Authorized District Signature(s) for Payment Claims (Auditing Officer(s) or Board Member(s)):

 _____ Authorized District Signature	05/18/23 _____ Date	_____ Authorized District Signature	_____ Date
_____ Authorized District Signature	_____ Date	_____ Authorized District Signature	_____ Date

Date: Thursday, May 18, 2023
 Time: 11:03AM
 User: AWERFELMANN

Puget Sound Regional Council
Check Register - APPROVAL
 Periods: 07-23 Through 11-23 As of: 5/18/2023

Page: 1 of 1
 Report: 03630_OPSAPPR
 Company: PSRC

Check Nbr	Check Type	Check Date	Vendor Name	Period To Post	Ref Nbr	Doc Type	Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Amount Paid
012876	CK	3/22/2023	US Bank	09-23	118069	VO	February 2023	2/25/2023	62.87
Check Total									62.87

Check Count: 1

Acct Sub Total: 62.87

Check Type	Count	Amount Paid
Regular	1	62.87
Hand	0	0.00
Electronic Payment	0	0.00
Void	0	0.00
Stub	0	0.00
Zero	0	0.00
Mask	0	0.00
Total:	1	62.87

Check Summary Report

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Check Number	Date	Vendor	Description	Amount
39471	3/15/2023	Jason Thibedeau	Ferry Pass - KEDA Event	34.40
12876	3/16/2023	US Bank - Sugar Bakery	EDD Board Meeting Refreshments	62.87
Total				97.27

CONSENT AGENDA

May 31, 2023

To: Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board

From: Jason Thibedeau, Principal Economic Development Manager

Subject: **Adopt Fiscal Years 2024-2025 Budget and Work Program**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt the Economic Development District element of PSRC's Fiscal Years 2024-2025 Budget and Work Program as the budget for the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District.

BACKGROUND

The Central Puget Sound Economic Development District (EDD) is a nonprofit corporation in the state of Washington. The EDD has a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Puget Sound Regional Council, under which the two agencies have consolidated staff services to increase government efficiency, and further integrate the EDD's economic development work with the regional growth management and transportation planning at PSRC. Through the MOA, PSRC provides contract services to support EDD's work program.

The Puget Sound Regional Council operates under a two-year (biennial) budget and work program. The Economic Development District (Task 300) element of PSRC's biennial budget serves as the basis for the budget for the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District organization. The EDD Board is required in its bylaws to take action to adopt its budget.

PSRC's overall budget and work program supports regional objectives, local government priorities, and legal mandates associated with PSRC's responsibilities as the federal Metropolitan Planning Organization, state Regional Transportation Planning Organization, as well as facilitator of the region's Economic Development District. The work program covers regional transportation, growth and economic development planning, and technical, data, and administrative services.

Projects that are identified through the core economic development planning activities frequently require additional funding to implement. Funding sources for these projects can include other PSRC funds, contributions from regional partners, or grants from the EDA or other sources. Implementation of the annual [Economic Development Focus Areas](#) is also supported through elements of PSRC's budget outside of the Economic Development District (Task 300) element. This includes the Regional Planning (Task

000) element, which supports agency wide departmental administration, special projects, and other support tasks. It also includes the Council Support (Task 500) element which supports agency-wide communications as well as EDD board management assistance.

PSRC's General Assembly adopted the agency's Fiscal Years 2024-2025 Biennial Budget and Work Program on May 30, 2023, which covers the period from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025. The adopted budget includes agency revenues and expenditures of \$32 million. The Economic Development District (Task 300) portion of the biennial budget includes revenues and expenditures of \$503,000. Revenues for this budget task consist of \$200,000 from the EDA Partnership Planning Program grant, as well as \$303,000 in EDD dues collected from PSRC's membership to support the district's work. The full adopted budget is available online at <https://www.psrc.org/about/budget>.

Base funding for the EDD's work program is provided through a Partnership Planning Program grant from the U.S. Economic Development Administration. The grant provides the EDD with \$300,000 over a three-year period, with a required \$300,000 local match. The EDD recently completed the third year of a three-year grant cycle, which ended on March 31, 2023. The EDD was awarded a new 3-year grant through the FY2023-FY2025 Partnership Planning Program, which renewed funding through March 31, 2025.

Each year, the EDD Board develops a set of Economic Development Focus Areas, which is used as a work plan to guide board and staff efforts to implement the Regional Economic Strategy over the upcoming year. In December 2022, the EDD Board met to establish the [Economic Development Focus Areas for 2023](#) and reviewed the draft revenues and expenses in Task 300 which will be used to help support this work.

Budget Development Timeline

- Late 2022: PSRC staff developed the draft Fiscal Years 2024-2025 Budget and Work Program in partnership with PSRC's Operations Committee.
- December 2022: EDD Board met to develop the Economic Development Focus Areas for 2023 and reviewed the draft budget to help support this work.
- December 2022 - February 2023: The draft supplemental budget was shared with the Executive Board, Economic Development District Board, Growth Management Policy Board, Transportation Policy Board, and the Regional Staff Committee. Members and the public were invited to forward any comments to the Operations Committee for review.
- March 2023: The Operations Committee recommended approval of the budget by PSRC's Executive Board.
- April 2023: The Executive Board recommended the budget for adoption by the General Assembly.

- May 30, 2023: PSRC's General Assembly met and adopted the Fiscal Years 2024-2025 Supplemental Budget and Work Program, which covers the period from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025.
- June 7, 2023: EDD Board meets to adopt the Economic Development District element (Task 300) of PSRC's Fiscal Years 2024-2025 Budget and Work Program as the budget for the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District.

The Economic Development District Board is being asked to adopt the Economic Development District element (Task 300) of PSRC's Fiscal Years 2024-2025 Budget and Work Program as the budget for the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District.

For more information, please contact Andrew Werfelmann, Budget Manager, at (206) 688-8220, or awerfelmann@psrc.org.

DISCUSSION ITEM

May 31, 2023

To: Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board

From: Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager

Subject: **Washington Autonomous Vehicle Cluster (WAV-C)**

IN BRIEF

Staff from the Washington Autonomous Vehicle Cluster (WAV-C) will provide an overview of the program, which is designed to grow the unpiloted and autonomous water vehicles industry in the state.

DISCUSSION

In 2022, the Washington State Department of Commerce launched the [Innovation Cluster Accelerator program \(ICAP\)](#). ICAP was designed in recognition that supporting innovation is essential to driving the transformation of legacy industries and the rise of new clusters that will fuel statewide economic growth. Nine organizations were awarded grants from the Washington State Department of Commerce under this multi-year cluster development program. These public-private organizations were selected to grow key industry sectors in the state.

The ICAP model brings key players together – business, entrepreneurs, academia, investors, and government – to solve industry challenges that limit growth and innovation. Washington State piloted this approach in 2017 with its Maritime Blue initiative. The ICAP program is one portion of work supported by a \$15 million CARES Act investment by the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA).

In March 2022, the Kitsap Economic Development Alliance (KEDA) was awarded a two-year \$500,000 grant under the ICAP program to launch the Washington Autonomous Vehicle Cluster (WAV-C). KEDA's Entrepreneurship and Innovation Work Group developed the WAV-C proposal with a focus on accelerating the industry of unmanned and autonomous vehicles, forecast as a \$2 trillion global market by 2030. WAV-C's mission is to accelerate innovation for autonomous and unmanned vehicles in the maritime sector, to develop and a ready a highly skilled workforce for the next generation of maritime technologies, and create a fluid collaborative space where government, corporations, academics, entrepreneurs, and capital work together to develop the cluster.

Staff from WAV-C will provide an update on the program. Get updates and follow the Innovation Cluster Accelerator at www.wav-c.com.

For more information contact Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager, at jthibedeau@psrc.org or (206) 389-2879.

DISCUSSION ITEM

May 31, 2023

To: Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board

From: Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager

Subject: **Americas Competitiveness Exchange Recap**

IN BRIEF

From May 14 through May 19, the Puget Sound Regional Council, in partnership with the Washington State Department of Commerce, hosted the Americas Competitiveness Exchange (ACE) in the region.

DISCUSSION

The Americas Competitiveness Exchange (ACE) is the premier economic development, innovation, and entrepreneurial network of the Americas and is one of the leading high-level events of the Organization of American States (OAS). Headquartered in Washington, D.C., the OAS is an international organization founded in 1948 for the purpose of bringing together all 35 [independent states](#) of the Western Hemisphere to enhance development, democracy, human rights, and security. In addition, the OAS has 71 [Permanent Observer](#) countries that are invited to attend its activities. The U.S. Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration and the International Trade Administration, the U.S. Department of State, and the OAS comprise the Coordinating and Advisory Committee for the ACE program.

Nearly sixty members of the ACE delegation representing more than twenty countries were selected to participate in the week-long program through a highly competitive process. The program for the week included more than thirty locations, designed to explore economic development models, share experiences and knowledge, and build networks among the local and visiting stakeholders to enhance economic competitiveness in the Americas.

In attendance during the program were Nestor Mendez, Assistant Secretary General Organization of American States, and the Honorable Dilawar Syed, Special Representative for Commercial and Business Affairs for the U.S. Department of State. Representing the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA) was the Honorable Alejandra Castillo, Assistant Secretary for Economic Development, Dennis Alvord, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Development and Chief Operating Officer, and Craig Buerstatte, Deputy Assistant Secretary and Chief Operating Officer for Regional Affairs.

The delegates visited private sector companies including Boeing, Microsoft, Starbucks, Amazon, SAFE Boats, and Aviation Technical Services, and talked with a panel of space sector companies. The program included stops at innovation hubs such as the Center for Urban Waters, CoMotion Labs, University of Washington's Clean Energy Institute, Global Innovation Exchange (GIX), the 5G Agricultural Field Labs at Swans Trail Farms, the University of Washington Tacoma, and the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center.

The delegation visited key economic anchor sites throughout the region such as Joint Base Lewis-McChord, the Port of Tacoma, Port of Bremerton, and the Port of Everett. Delegates took part in a discussion of tourism and arts and culture economic development strategies at the Chihuly Garden and Glass Museum. Washington's innovative approach to cluster development was highlighted during a discussion with representatives from the Washington State Department of Commerce, Washington Maritime Blue, and the Washington Autonomous Vehicle Cluster (WAV-C). The Port of Seattle, Washington State University, and Alaska Airlines showcased work being done to develop and expand the use of biofuels in the aviation industry.

Receptions were held throughout the week to connect the delegates with local leaders at sites including Chateau Ste. Michelle, the Future of Flight, the Museum of Glass, the Amazon Spheres, and the Suquamish Tribe's House of Awakened Culture.

The Puget Sound Regional Council will work with representatives from the OAS to track and report outcomes related to the ACE program.

At the June meeting, staff will provide a summary of the ACE program.

For more information, contact Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager, at 206-389-2879 or jthibedeau@psrc.org.

INFORMATION ITEM

May 31, 2023

To: Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board

From: Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager

Subject: **June 2023 Staff Report**

Americas Competitiveness Exchange

From May 14 through the 19, PSRC hosted the Americas Competitiveness Exchange (ACE) in the Greater Seattle region in partnership with the Washington State Department of Commerce. Nearly sixty members of the ACE delegation representing more than twenty countries participated in the week-long program that included more than thirty locations. The program was designed to explore economic development models, share experiences and knowledge, and build networks among the local and visiting stakeholders to enhance economic competitiveness in the Americas.

EDA Planning Grant Renewed

In April 2023, the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District (EDD) was awarded a \$300,000 grant through the U.S. Economic Development Administration's Partnership Planning Program. These funds will be used to support the development and implementation of the region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), regionally known as the [Regional Economic Strategy](#). The EDD recently completed a previous 3-year planning grant on March 31, 2023.

Economic Development Technical Assistance

Jurisdictions are beginning the work to update their Comprehensive Plans by December 2024. These plans will cover a jurisdiction's land use, housing, utilities, transportation, essential public facilities, and economy. Staff are continuing to support local jurisdictions as they begin the planning process for their economic development elements, recently providing presentations to the Snohomish County Cities group and the Sammamish Planning Commission.

Washington State DOT Continues Work on High-Speed Rail

In 2022, the Washington State Legislature approved the \$17 billion Move Ahead Washington package, which contained \$150 million to advance regional high-speed rail. The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is working with the Oregon Department of Transportation and the British Columbia Ministry of Transport to advance the project.

Policy and Technical Committees have been established to develop and submit applications in spring 2023 to the U.S. Federal Railroad Administration for over \$250 million in planning grants, funded by the 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Award announcements are expected by the end of 2023. The Policy Committee, which

includes PSRC, met in Vancouver B.C. on May 23. The Committee reviewed and approved a draft annual progress report, which will be submitted to the Washington State Legislature by June 30, 2023. The report reviews work to date on conceptualizing a more permanent coordinating entity and governance structure, establishing long range principles for public engagement, scoping out potential scenario analyses to shape the project, and identifying steps for developing a financial strategy.

Commercial Aviation Coordinating Commission

PSRC has a non-voting seat on the Commercial Aviation Coordinating Commission, which is tasked with identifying sites for potential commercial service facilities in Washington. During the 2023 session, the Washington State Legislature passed [HB 1791](#), which would replace the Commission with a Commercial Aviation Work Group to evaluate commercial aviation needs in the state and investigate possible siting locations for new commercial capacity. On May 15, Governor Inslee signed the bill into law but vetoed the dissolution of the Commission. The Commission will meet in early June to finalize its work and deliver a final report to the legislature by June 30, 2023.

PSRC General Assembly

PSRC's General Assembly met on May 30. At the meeting, the General Assembly adopted the Fiscal Years 2024-2025 Biennial Budget and Work Program which covers the period from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025. The adopted budget includes agency revenues and expenditures of \$32 million. In addition, City of Poulsbo Mayor Becky Erickson was elected PSRC president, with Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers elected as Vice President.