

MINUTES

**Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board
Wednesday, September 6, 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

No public comments were received.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Axel Strakeljahn welcomed everyone to the September 6, 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 June 7, 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](#).

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: It was moved (Lee) and seconded (Tolbert) to: (a) approve the minutes of the meeting held June 7, 2023; and to (b) approve vouchers dated May 18, 2023 thru July 12, 2023 in the amount of \$103.14.

The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEM: Recommendations to the 2024 Washington State Legislature

PSRC staff have begun work to support the adoption of recommendations to the Washington State Legislature in advance of the 2024 legislative session. Robin Koskey, Director of Government Relations and Communications, briefed the Economic Development District Board on the process to adopt legislative priorities and sought feedback on potential legislative policy items.

DISCUSSION ITEM: PSRC Equity Tracker

Due to technical difficulties, Bill Adamson, who briefed the board on the Military and Defense Sector Economic Impact Analysis, followed Brian Lee, who presented on the PSRC Equity Tracker.

Brian Lee, Program Manager – Data Solutions and Research, briefed the board on the PSRC Equity Tracker project, a significant undertaking within the Regional Equity Strategy, and presented a preview of this tool.

DISCUSSION ITEM: Military and Defense Sector Economic Impact Analysis

Bill Adamson, from South Sound Military & Communities Partnership (SSMCP), provided an overview of the SSMCP’s economic development work, including the Joint Base Lewis-McChord Regional Economic Impact analysis and the upcoming statewide Military and Defense Sector Economic Impact Analysis.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 am.

Adopted this 29th day of November, 2023.

Axel Strakeljahn
Axel Strakeljahn (Nov 29, 2023 21:40 PST)

Commissioner Axel Strakeljahn, President
Central Puget Sound Economic Development District

ATTEST:

Josh Brown
Josh Brown (Nov 30, 2023 10:50 PST)
Josh Brown, Executive Director

Attachments:
EDD Member Attendance – September 6, 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
		Ashton Allison Alt	1 COM Axel Strakeljahn*
		1 CM Reagan Dunn	COM Cary Bozeman Alt
		Vacant Alt	Port of Everett
		Cody Eccles Alt	1 COM David Simpson
			COM Glen Bachman Alt
Seattle	2	CM Sara Nelson	1 COM Hamdi Mohamed
		Vacant Alt	Vacant Alt
		Jeremy Mohn Alt	Annie Tran Alt
		1 MYR Bruce Harrell	Port of Tacoma
		Vacant Alt	1 COM Kristin Ang*
			COM Deanna Keller Alt
			Commerce
Bellevue	1	Markham McIntyre Alt	WA Dept. of Commerce
		1 CM Conrad Lee*	1 Chris Green
		Deputy MYR Jared Nieuwenhuis Alt	Marie Davis Alt
		Anthony Gill Alt	Chambers of Commerce
			1 Andrea Reay, Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce*
			Vacant Alt
Cities/Towns	2	CM Ed Prince, Renton	Economic Development
		CM Lydia Assefa-Dawson, Federal Way	EDC - Seattle & King
		1 CM Kathy Hougardy, Tukwila Alt	1 Rachel Smith
		1 CM James Mayhew, Snoqualmie Alt	Vaughn Taylor Alt
Kitsap County	1	COM Charlotte Garrido	KEDA - Kitsap
		COM Katie Walters Alt	1 Joe Morrison
Bremerton	1	MYR Greg Wheeler	EASC - Snohomish
		1 CM Jeff Coughlin Alt	1 Garry Clark
			Wendy Poischbeg Alt
Cities/Towns	1	CM Ed Stern, Poulsbo*	EDB - Tacoma & Pierce
		1 CM Shawn Cucciardi, Port Orchard Alt	1 Bruce Kendall
			Tamsin Bell Alt
			Workforce Development Councils
Pierce County	1	CM Dave Morell*	WDC - Pierce
		1 CM Marty Campbell Alt	1 William Dowling
			Katie Condit Alt
Tacoma	1	CM Joe Bushnell	Organized Labor
		CM Keith Blocker Alt	WSLC
Cities/Towns	1	CM Brandon Green, City of Buckley	1 April Sims, WSLC President
		1 CM Bryan Yambe, City of Fife Alt	Chelsea Mason-Placek Alt
			Presidential Appointments
Snohomish County	1	CM Jared Mead	1 Alex Pietsch, WSU Foundation
		CM Megan Dunn Alt	1 Tom Florino, Amazon*
			Emily Wittman, President & CEO, Aerospace Futures Alliance
Everett	1	MYR Cassie Franklin	1 Terry Ryan, Snohomish County*
		CM Don Schwab Alt	1 Michael Greer, President & CEO, ArtsFund
		Dan Eernisse Alt	
Cities/Towns	1	MYR Barb Tolbert	Non-voting Members
		1 CM Stephanie Vignal, Mill Creek Alt	1 PSRC President, Ex-Officio
			Bob Drewel
			PSRC President
Federally Recognized Tribes			MYR Becky Erickson
Puyallup Tribe of Indians	1	Vacant	Navy Region NW
		Vacant Alt	Bill Bulis, Executive Director
Suquamish Tribe	1	CHR Leonard Forsman	Stephen Whalen, RCPLO Alt
		CM Jay Mills Alt	
			Abbreviations
			CM Councilmember
			* Executive Committee
			COM Commissioner
			1 = Voting Member for Meeting
Voting	34	(Quorum = 14) Quorum Total	17 CHR Chair