



## Puget Sound Regional Council

### **MINUTES**

**Growth Management Policy Board**  
**Thursday, October 3, 2024**  
**1201 Third Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98101**

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

### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by Mayor Traci Buxton as Chair Prince and Vice Chair Dunn were unavailable for the meeting.

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Mayor Buxton welcomed the board members to the meeting.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Growth Management Director Paul Inghram welcomed the board and updated the board on the Smart Communities Award, a VISION 2050 Award, annual TOD events, tree protection guidance and gave a brief introduction of the agenda items.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

The consent agenda was postponed to later in the meeting to allow for a quorum.

### **DISCUSSION ITEM: 2024 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REVIEW STATUS UPDATE**

Principal Planner Liz Underwood-Bultmann updated the board on the status of comprehensive plan reviews. Fifty-five out of the 86 local jurisdictions have provided their draft local comprehensive plans for review and 48 comment letters have been sent. While some jurisdictions are expressing concern about meeting the December

deadline, this rate is ahead of where the region was for the 2015 update cycle. Highlights include community engagement techniques, addressing racially disparate impacts and barriers to affordable housing, rezoning to accommodate housing needs and climate work. Board members asked about meeting the requirements of current emission reductions in plans which Liz replied are already included in the checklist of items consistent with VISION 2050.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approve Minutes of Growth Management Policy Board Meeting held September 5, 2024.

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Mathews/Dixon) to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed.**

## **DISCUSSION ITEM: COLLABORATIVE PLANNING WITH TRIBES**

Puyallup Tribe of Indians Planner and GMPB member Andrew Strobel shared information from the Tribe's comprehensive land use plan and suggestions for working with the Tribes. The Puyallup Tribe and other Tribes are interested in collaborating with jurisdictions on their comprehensive plans. Passed during the 2022 legislative session, HB 1717 facilitates Tribal participation in local planning under the Growth Management Act. Tribes typically want to collaborate on transportation, environmental, economic development and infrastructure planning. Andrew encouraged board members to consider their jurisdiction's approach to coordination with Tribes and share the Tribal coordination guidance document with their staff.

## **DISCUSSION ITEM: RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE 2025 STATE LEGISLATURE**

PSRC's Government Relations and Communications Director Robin Koskey briefed the board on PSRC's recommendations to the 2025 Washington State Legislature. Mirroring the agency's 2024 recommendations to the state legislature, PSRC's proposed focus areas are: keep the region moving (transportation), increase housing choices and affordability (housing), significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions (climate) and sustain a strong economy (economic development). The Executive Committee will finalize the recommendations based on board feedback and the Executive Board will review the priorities for adoption at their December meeting. The board provided feedback on recommendations concerning housing, emissions and road usage charges.

## **DISCUSSION ITEM: HOUSING RESEARCH CENTER CONCEPT**

Director Koskey shared with the board about the need for a state research center dedicated to housing. PSRC currently provides housing data and information to help support local governments and the state legislature but there is no central location for housing research operating statewide. PSRC has been doing individual outreach to

housing advocates, state legislators, business leaders and developers to explore creating a housing research center in Washington state.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The board will meet on Thursday, November 7, 2024, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Topics include:

- 2024 Housing Monitoring Update
- Transportation Safety Update
- TOD Events

### **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- A. Attendance Roster – October 3, 2024

Growth Management Policy Board - October 3, 2024							
Voting Members			✓	Non-voting Members			✓
King County	2	CM Sarah Perry		Associate Members			
		Vacant		Alderwood Water and Wastewater District	1	COM Paul McIntyre	1
Seattle	2	CM Tammy Morales		Thurston Regional Planning Council	1	COM Chris Stearns	
		CM Maritza Rivera	1			Marc Daily Alt	
		CM Tanya Woo, Alt		Public Agency Members			
Bellevue	1	CM Janice Zahn		Commerce	1	Dave Andersen	
		CM Dave Hamilton, Alt				Mark Barkley Alt	
Cities/Towns	3	MYR Traci Buxton, Des Moines	1	Public Health Agencies	1	Dr. Gib Morrow, Kitsap Public Health District	1
		CP Ed Prince, Renton - Chair				DIR Chantall Harmon Reed, Tac-Pierce Cnty Alt	
		CM Melissa Stuart, Redmond	1	PSRC Committees			
		MYR Kelli Curtis, Alt - Kirkland	1	Regional Staff Committee	1	Andrea Spencer	1
		CM Pam Stuart, Alt - Sammamish	1			Arun Sambataro, Alt	
		CP Lindsey Walsh, Alt - Issaquah		Equity Advisory Committee	1	Shannon Turner	
Kitsap County	1	COM Katie Walters	1			Lisa Espinosa, Alt	
		COM Christine Rolfes, Alt		Private/Civic Members-Business/Labor			
Bremerton	1	MYR Greg Wheeler	1	Master Builders of King and Snohomish Counties	1	Jennifer Anderson	
		CP Jennifer Chamberlin, Alt				Brian Holtzclaw	
Cities/Towns	1	CM Jon Quitslund, Bainbridge Isl		Natural and Built	1	Angela Rozmyn	1
		DM Ashley Mathews, Alt - Bainbridge Isl	1	Environments (exp. Individual)		Robert Pantley Alt	
Pierce County	1	CM Robyn Denson	1		1	Charlotte Murry	
		CM Paul Herrera, Alt				Vacant Alt	
Tacoma	1	CM Joe Bushnell		Private/Civic Members-Community/Environment			
		CM Sarah Rumbaugh, Alt		Futurewise	1	Alex Brennan	1
Cities & Towns	1	CM Nikki Bufford, Fircrest				Vacant Alt	
		MYR Josh Penner, Alt - Orting		Housing Development	1	Patience Malaba	
Snohomish County	1	CM Megan Dunn - Vice Chair		Consortium - Seattle/King		Jesse Simpson Alt	
		CM Sam Low, Alt		Emerald Alliance	1	Tracy Stanton	1
Everett	1	CM Scott Bader	1			Vacant Alt	
		MYR Cassie Franklin, Alt					
Cities/Towns	1	CM Mike Dixon, Mukilteo	1				
		MYR Pro Tem Bryan Wahl, Alt - Mntlake Terr.		Non Voting	12		6
Federally Recognized Tribes							
Muckleshoot Indian Tribe	1	Vacant					
Puyallup Tribe of Indians	1	Andrew Strobel	1				
Suquamish Tribe		Jennifer Keating Alt					
	1	Rob Purser					
		Alison O'Sullivan Alt					
Statutory Members							
Ports	1	COM Don Meyer, Tacoma	1				
		COM Deanna Keller, Alt - Tacoma				Abbreviations	
WSDOT	1	Jeff Storrar	1			CM Councilmember	
		JoAnn Schueler, Alt				COM Commissioner	
						CP Council President	
Voting	22	(Quorum = 11) Quorum Total	13			DM Deputy Mayor	