



Puget Sound Regional Council

Equity Advisory Committee | Remote Only

Date: Thursday, June 5, 2025 from 5:30-7:30 pm

Optional: Post-Meeting Q&A from 7:30-8:00 pm

1. Welcome (5:30) – Julia Jannon-Shields & Shannon Turner, Co-Chairs

2. Reports

- a. Meeting Summary for May 1, 2025*
- b. EAC Member Announcements & Check In
- c. Staff Announcements
- d. Policy Board Meeting Summaries*

3. Discussion Item (5:45)

- a. Addressing Racially Disparate Impacts in Comprehensive Plans* – *Paul Inghram, PSRC & University of Washington Evans School of Public Policy & Governance*

4. Break (6:30)

5. Discussion Item (6:40)

- a. Addressing Racially Disparate Impacts in Comprehensive Plans Cont.* – *University of Washington Evans School of Public Policy & Governance*

6. Discussion Item (6:55)

- a. Quarterly Engagement Activity* – *Noah Boggess, PSRC*

7. Information Items

- a. 2025 Regional Household Travel Survey*

8. Zoom Poll (7:25)

9. Next meeting: July 10, 2025

- a. Note: The July meeting of the EAC is rescheduled for July 10 – please update your calendar!

10. Adjourn (7:30)

Optional Post-Meeting Q&A (7:30) – Charles Patton, PSRC

*Supporting materials attached.

Members can access the attendance sheet [here](#) to complete and submit to finance@psrc.org for compensation.

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- To join the webinar, please click the following link: <https://psrc-org.zoom.us/j/85186806011?pwd=DYakM2da8I7JdRcAREliaYbVwuSqE.1> and enter Passcode:760978.
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Equity Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

Date: May 1, 2025

Location: Remote Only

Presentations from the meeting are available on the [Equity Advisory Committee webpage](#). Audio recording of the meeting is available by request.

Welcome

Shannon Turner, from Kitsap County, and Julia Jannon-Shields, from King County, called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. The co-chairs welcomed everyone and asked Mikayla to begin the roll call for attendance.

Shannon invited the committee to the Kitsap Juneteenth Block Party, a celebration on June 19 from 1-5 pm at The Village, in Bremerton. Michelle encouraged all EAC members to attend the PSRC General Assembly, on May 22, both to connect with other members and to learn more about PSRC's work across the agency.

Staff Announcements

Charles reminded EAC members to submit responses to the EAC Member Annual Survey, which includes questions about their experience on the committee and if they would like to continue serving.

Charles and EAC representatives briefed the committee on the work of the Growth Management Policy Board and Transportation Policy Board.

Discussion Item: PSRC Summer Planning Academy

PSRC staff are planning for the third year of the summer youth engagement program called Summer Planning Academy (SPA). The program has been revised for this second iteration. The application period is currently open through May 19, and members were encouraged to share this opportunity with young people in their communities.

You can view the presentation [here](#). The application and additional information available [here](#).

Questions? Contact Noah Boggess, Senior Public Engagement Specialist, at nboggess@psrc.org.

Discussion Item: Regional Transportation Plan and Coordinated Mobility Plan

PSRC has been gathering information on the current transportation system to support the development of the next long-range Regional Transportation Plan. Staff provided briefings to the EAC in June 2024 and February 2025. A status of current and upcoming

work was provided at the May meeting, with a particular focus on upcoming outreach and engagement opportunities.

Accessibility and Equity in Transit Spaces

- Were centers for independent living consulted?
- Concern over app-based requests for paratransit as not all community members have smart phones.
- Not enough transportation on Sundays, for after-school activities, and for older community members.
- Lack of accessibility and amenities for people with disabilities. One example is King Street Station, which is often in a state of disrepair/elevators out of service.
- The region is rapidly expanding service with new technology, but not thoughtfully considering innovative ways of creating accessible spaces for the transportation needs of people with disabilities.
- When routes are canceled, instructions for alternative options are typically written, which isn't helpful for people with vision-related disabilities
- Grade issues are not always considered, i.e. a .5 mile walk uphill is much more difficult and time-consuming than a flat distance.
- Concern for over-policing of transit riders of color.

Outreach Improvements

- Awareness during outreach opportunities of the current political climate, and how folks may feel uncomfortable engaging with government staff.
- Circle back to community members who share feedback and demonstrate how feedback is incorporated. Allow folks to opt-in to build a relationship with the agency.

You can view the presentation [here](#).

Questions? Contact Kelly McGourty, Director of Transportation Planning, at kmcgourty@psrc.org, or Jean Kim, Senior Planner, at jkim@psrc.org.

Discussion Item: Regional Transportation Plan Outreach Subcommittee

PSRC staff are working with consultant partners Uncommon Bridges to create an engagement strategy for the Regional Transportation Plan. The EAC was briefed on the engagement plan and an opportunity to participate in a subcommittee to assist with guiding development of the engagement strategy with particular focus on the Regional Public Meetings.

You can view the presentation [here](#).

Questions? Contact Noah Boggess, Senior Public Engagement Specialist, at nboggess@psrc.org with questions or comments.

Adjourn

At the close of the meeting, members participated in a poll to evaluate the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Members Represented at the Table

See attached attendance roster.

PSRC Staff and Other Guests Present

Charles Patton, PSRC

Mikayla Svob, PSRC

Noah Boggess, PSRC

Jean Kim, PSRC

Kelly McGourty, PSRC

Ariam Ford, Uncommon Bridges

Charlotte Jernick, Uncommon Bridges

Skylar Benson, Uncommon Bridges

ATTACHMENT:

A. EAC Member Attendance for the May 1, 2025, Meeting

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Recommend Certification of Comprehensive Plans for Covington, Edgewood, Enumclaw, Fircrest, Granite Falls, Kenmore, Kirkland, Lake Stevens, Milton, Redmond, Sammamish, Shoreline, Skykomish, and Snohomish

The board recommended the Executive Board certify the comprehensive plans updates for Covington, Edgewood, Enumclaw, Fircrest, Granite Falls, Kenmore, Kirkland, Lake Stevens, Milton, Redmond, Sammamish, Shoreline, Skykomish, and Snohomish. The board also discussed the housing requirements for plan certification. [View video](#) and [presentation](#).

For additional information, please contact Paul Inghram, Director of Growth Management, at pinghram@psrc.org or Liz Underwood Bultmann, Principal Planner, at lunderwood-bultmann@psrc.org.

A New Missing Middle? The Disappearance of Moderate Sized Housing

The board was briefed on follow-up data from the 2024 Regional Housing Strategy monitoring process. [PSRC's recent housing trend](#) on housing production by tenure and unit size shows a gap in producing moderately sized units for both the rental and ownership markets. PSRC will provide an annual update on the housing data monitoring efforts in the fall 2025. [View presentation](#).

For additional information, please contact Eric Clute, Associate Planner, at eclute@psrc.org.

Transfer of Development Rights Workshop

The board was briefed on WA Department of Commerce's workshop that will help jurisdictions develop and update Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) programs and Land Conservation and Local Infrastructure Programs (LCLIP). TDR is a market-based mechanism that supports voluntary transfer of development rights from areas where developing is discouraged, and moved to places the community would like to grow. LCLIP provides a financial incentive for eligible cities in King, Pierce and Snohomish counties to participate in TDR. The workshop is planned for June 11 to go over the guidance resources and answer questions. [View presentation.](#)

For additional information, please contact Erika Harris, Senior Planner, PSRC, eharris@psrc.org or Angela San Filippo, Ecosystem Program Manager, Washington State Department of Commerce, angela.sanfilippo@commerce.wa.gov.

A video of the meeting is available on the [Watch Board Meetings page](#). Meeting materials, including agendas and presentations, can be found on the [Growth Management Policy Board: Meeting Materials page](#).



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June 5, 2025

DISCUSSION ITEM

To: Equity Advisory Committee

From: Paul Inghram, Director of Growth Management

Subject: **Addressing Racially Disparate Impacts in Comprehensive Plans**

IN BRIEF

Members of the University of Washington Evans School Consulting Lab team will share their report on addressing racially disparate impacts in comprehensive plans with the committee. The team is interested in feedback on the report, hearing about racially disparate impacts in local communities, and help identifying research topics for future teams.

DISCUSSION

PSRC's housing work program includes a range of strategies and tools to help local governments address the need for housing in their communities.

Amendments to the Growth Management Act by House Bill 1220 emphasized the need for local comprehensive plans to address housing for households of all incomes and require plans to address racially disparate impacts, exclusion, and displacement. With the recent requirement to update comprehensive plans, the region has seen the first wave of comprehensive plans addressing these topics, giving us a unique view into how housing policy is evolving.

The University of Washington Evans School operates a Student Consulting Lab where small teams of Evans School Master of Public Administration students investigate policy and organizational problems. PSRC contracted with the Evans School to have a consulting team evaluate how comprehensive plans were meeting these new requirements and explore what we could learn from them. The Evans team started work in January. Team members include:

- Joaquín Bosch
- Jeff Gunn
- Jakie Lanzona
- Cassie Paschall
- Katie Simmons

Project Description

The consultants will conduct a case study of local communities that have developed policies to address economic displacement, as mandated in HB 1220 (2021 - “An act relating to supporting emergency shelters and housing through local planning and development regulations”). In addition, consultants will evaluate HB 1220’s incorporation into municipalities’ comprehensive plans through the lens of racially disparate impacts, displacement, and exclusion. Consultants will interface directly with communities around the region to identify how municipalities incorporate HB 1220’s requirements and inform PSRC of policy-making strategies that can guide future municipal housing policy.

This builds on an Evans consulting project with Tacoma last year that looked at anti-displacement strategies and may set a foundation for additional analysis in the future.

The Evans Team will present their report to the committee and seek to discuss how local communities are addressing racially disparate impacts. The final report will be published in June.

NEXT STEPS

For additional information, please contact Paul Inghram, Director of Growth Management at pinghram@psrc.org.



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DISCUSSION ITEM

To: Equity Advisory Committee
From: Noah Boggess, Senior Public Engagement Specialist
Subject: **Quarterly Engagement Activity**

IN BRIEF

Throughout 2025, EAC meetings will feature engagement activities once per quarter to continue to build camaraderie among members. These activities are a continuation of the Quarterly Engagement Activities from 2024, with some adjustments to make them more engaging. The goal of these structured times is to allow EAC members to become more familiar with one another and the work they do outside of the monthly meetings with PSRC.

For additional information, please contact Noah Boggess, Senior Public Engagement Specialist, at nboggess@psrc.org with questions or comments.



2025 REGIONAL HOUSEHOLD TRAVEL SURVEY

PSRC's Household Travel Survey gathers day-to-day information from households in the central Puget Sound region: how we travel, where we go, how long it takes us – even where we choose to live and whether we get home deliveries. The data helps communities throughout the region plan for transportation improvements, new housing and job growth.

The data collection for the 2025 survey is underway through June. PSRC is partnering with Pierce County this year.

The survey is only open to people who receive invitations in the mail. Please take part if you receive one and encourage community members to participate.



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