



## Puget Sound Regional Council

### MINUTES

**Growth Management Policy Board**  
**Thursday, June 5, 2025**  
**1201 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Ste 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 10:02 a.m. by Councilmember Ed Prince, Chair.

### COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

### CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Prince welcomed new member Councilmember Vishal Bhargava of the City of Bellevue.

### DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Growth Management Director Paul Inghram welcomed the board and announced the upcoming retirement of PSRC's Deputy Executive Director, Nancy Buonanno Grennan, and introduced Marc Daily as the new Administrative Services Director. Mr. Inghram introduced the items on the agenda and mentioned the information items at the end of the agenda packet.

### CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve Minutes of Growth Management Policy Board Meeting held May 1, 2025.

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

**ACTION ITEM: RECOMMEND CERTIFICATION OF COMPREHENSIVE PLANS FOR EDMONDS, FEDERAL WAY, INDEX, ISSAQUAH, LYNNWOOD, NEWCASTLE, AND SUMNER**

PSRC staff presented the board with the recommended certifications of comprehensive plans for Edmonds, Federal Way, Index, Issaquah, Lynnwood, Newcastle, and Sumner.

The board posed questions around the capacity for emergency housing in the Edmonds plan, which was addressed by PSRC staff.

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Bader/Dixon) to recommend the Executive Board certify that the transportation-related provisions in the Edmonds, Federal Way, Index, Issaquah, Lynnwood, Newcastle, and Sumner 2024 Comprehensive Plans conform to the Growth Management Act and are substantially consistent with multicounty planning policies and the Regional Transportation Plan.**

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Walsh/M. Stuart) to amend the motion to remove Edmonds from the recommendation. After further discussion, the motion failed on a roll call vote of 8-6.**

**ACTION: Chair Prince restated the original motion as moved and seconded. The motion passed.**

Commissioner Rolfes asked that the board receive information about Edmonds' plan and emergency housing from PSRC staff at the next board meeting.

**ACTION ITEM: RECOMMEND CONDITIONAL CERTIFICATION OF COMPREHENSIVE PLANS FOR LAKE FOREST PARK AND RENTON**

PSRC staff presented the board with the recommended conditional certifications of comprehensive plans for Lake Forest Park and Renton.

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Bader/Dixon) to recommend the Executive Board conditionally certify that the transportation-related provisions in the 2024 Comprehensive Plans for Lake Forest Park and Renton conform to the Growth Management Act and are substantially consistent with multicounty planning policies and the Regional Transportation Plan, provided that additional amendments are incorporated into the comprehensive plan. The motion passed.**

The recommendations will be brought to the Executive Board for action on June 26, 2025.

## **DISCUSSION ITEM: ADDRESSING RACIALLY DISPARATE IMPACTS IN COMPREHENSIVE PLANS**

The board was briefed by members of the University of Washington's Evans School Consulting Lab Team on a report addressing housing policy regarding racially disparate impacts. Amendments to the Growth Management Act require plans to address racially disparate impacts (RDI), exclusion and displacement (HB 1220). The University of Washington Evans School Consulting Lab conducted a case study of local communities. Findings in the report include that the use of targeted community engagement correlates with strong local policies and that cities do not have a shared understanding of RDI, displacement and exclusion. The report recommends that elected officials and government leaders support planners through collaborative governance, develop a shared understanding of displacement, RDI and exclusion, and monitor the impact of HB 1220. The final report will be published in June.

## **DISCUSSION ITEM: HOME IN TACOMA OWNERSHIP INCENTIVES**

Staff from the City of Tacoma presented the work the city has done to support homeownership through its Home in Tacoma housing program. Home in Tacoma addresses middle housing and a range of strategies to increase housing opportunities, which include incentives for ownership.

## **DISCUSSION ITEM: RECAP OF THE 2025 LEGISLATURE**

The board reviewed the outcome of the 2025 Legislative Session with the Department of Commerce and PSRC staff. The 2025-2027 biennial budget for the state is \$77.8b, and revenue from passed bills is projected to raise \$9.4b over four years. Some notable bills related to planning include the Housing Accountability Act (SB 5148) and Transit-Oriented Development (HB 1491). With the passage of HB 1491, PSRC and Commerce will be working to determine where and how the bill applies.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The board will meet on Thursday, July 3, 2025, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Topics include:

- Comprehensive Plan Certifications
- Centers

## **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- a. Attendance Roster – June 5, 2025

Growth Management Policy Board - June 5, 2025					
Voting Members			✓	Non-voting Members	✓
King County	2	CM Sarah Perry Vacant		Associate Members Alderwood Water and Wastewater District	1 1
				COM Paul McIntyre John McClellan Alt	1
Seattle	2	CM Maritza Rivera CM Mark Solomon CM Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Alt		Thurston Regional Planning Council Public Agency Members	1 1
				COM Chris Stearns Vacant	1
Bellevue	1	CM Vishal Bhargava (BAR-gah-vah) CM Dave Hamilton, Alt	1	Commerce	1
				Dave Andersen Mark Barkley Alt	1
Cities/Towns	3	CM Ed Prince, Renton - Chair CM Melissa Stuart, Redmond CM Pam Stuart, Sammamish	1 1 1	Public Health Agencies PSRC Committees	1
				Dr. Gib Morrow, Kitsap Public Health District DIR Chantall Harmon Reed, Tac-Pierce Cnty Alt	
				Regional Staff Committee	1
				Andrea Spencer Arun Sambataro, Alt	
				Equity Advisory Committee	1
				Michelle Stewart Thanh Nguyen, Alt "Than When"	
Kitsap County	1	COM Christine Rolfes "ROL-fes" COM Oran Root, Alt	1	Private/Civic Members-Business/Labor	
Bremerton	1	MYR Greg Wheeler CM Eric Younger, Alt	1	Master Builders of King and Snohomish Counties	1
				Brian Holtzclaw Vacant Alt	
Cities/Towns	1	DM Jon Quitslund, Bainbridge Isl MYR Ashley Mathews, Alt - Bainbridge Isl	1	Natural and Built Environments (exp. Individual)	1
				Angela Rozmyn Robert Pantley Alt	1
Pierce County	1	CM Robyn Denson CM Paul Herrera, Alt		Individual	1
				Charlotte Murry Vacant Alt	
Tacoma	1	CM Sandesh Sadalge (suh-DAHL-gay) CM Sarah Rumbaugh, Alt	1	Private/Civic Members-Community/Environment Futurewise	1
				Alex Brennan Jazmine Smith, Alt	1
Cities & Towns	1	MYR Ben Coronado, Gig Harbor CM Andy Elfers, Alt - Sumner	1 1	Housing Development Consortium - Seattle/King	1
				Patience Malaba Jesse Simpson Alt	
Snohomish County	1	CM Megan Dunn - Vice Chair CM Sam Low, Alt	1	Emerald Alliance	1
				Tracy Stanton Vacant Alt	1
Everett	1	CM Scott Bader MYR Cassie Franklin, Alt	1		
Cities/Towns	1	MYR Joe Marine, Mukilteo CM Mike Dixon, Mukilteo	1	Non Voting	12
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Federally Recognized Tribes					
Muckleshoot Indian Tribe	1	Vacant			
Puyallup Tribe of Indians	1	Robert Barandon Vacant			
Suquamish Tribe	1	Vacant Alison O'Sullivan Alt			
Statutory Members					
Ports	1	COM John McCarthy, Tacoma COM Deanna Keller, Alt - Tacoma	1		
				Abbreviations	
WSDOT	1	Jeff Storrar JoAnn Schueler, Alt	1		
				CM Councilmember COM Commissioner CP Council President	
Voting	22	(Quorum = 11) Quorum Total	14		
				DM Deputy Mayor	