

**Updated CHARTER – Adopted by the Growth Management Policy Board on May 6, 2021
REGIONAL Transit Oriented Development (TOD) COMMITTEE
PUGET SOUND REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Purpose

VISION 2050, the region’s long-range plan for growth, focuses greater amounts of growth within regional growth centers and high-capacity transit station areas. The Regional Growth Strategy has an ambitious goal of attracting 65% of population growth and 75% of employment growth to the region’s growth centers and high-capacity transit station areas, leveraging unprecedented investments to expand public transit throughout the region. VISION 2050 also works to combat climate change through the development of compact, walkable places, with greater access to mobility options, where the need for cars is reduced. VISION 2050 is also the region’s adopted equitable transit-oriented development strategy under RCW 81.112.350, providing important guidance for regional high-capacity transit planning and development.

The purpose of the Committee is to advance a broad, multi stakeholder coalition to support equitable transit-oriented development and the region’s adopted goals for 65% of future population growth and 75% of employment growth to be located in close proximity to transit through research and technical assistance. The Committee’s work will build on previous work with the Growing Transit Communities Strategy to provide ongoing guidance to PSRC, Sound Transit, and other agencies and organizations on implementation, coalition building within the region, and support for state and federal legislation and funding needed to create and sustain thriving and equitable transit communities in the region. The Committee will act as a technical working group focused on identifying and advancing promising equitable TOD practices, conducting performance monitoring, and supporting local efforts to take equitable TOD from theory to practice

Relationship to other PSRC Committees and Policy Boards

The Committee will serve in an advisory capacity to the Growth Management Policy Board (GMPB). The Committee will provide briefings to the Transportation Operators Committee, the Transportation Policy Board, and other PSRC Committees and Boards as appropriate. The Committee is not a PSRC policy-making board. The Committee will work with other TOD focused groups outside of PSRC to collaborate and minimize duplication when possible. The Committee has a leadership role, advising other PSRC committees and policy boards on policies and programs related to TOD implementation across the region as appropriate.

Subcommittees

The Committee may create working subcommittees with additional members to work on specific issues, including but not limited to event planning and other convenings. At the discretion of the Committee, the subcommittees will dissolve when the work is completed.

Meeting Schedule

The Committee will establish a regular meeting schedule and meet at least four times a year. Additional meetings may be scheduled by the Committee as needed.

Membership

The Committee will be composed of representatives from governmental and nongovernmental organizations from across the four-county region. The Committee will be composed of 21 members. Each member may appoint an alternate, for a total of 42 members and alternates. Alternates may attend meetings but may only participate in discussions and vote when the primary member is absent. Members shall serve as representatives of their respective jurisdictions, agencies, or organizations, and not as individual interests. Membership shall be comprised of shall be selected by and/or appointed with the final roster approved by the Growth Management Policy Board as follows:

- Staff from PSRC Member Cities and Counties, with at least one member representing a jurisdiction in each of the four counties. Staff should represent local jurisdictions of various sizes and different modes

of high-capacity transit from across the central Puget Sound region (7 seats) – Appointed by the Growth Management Policy Board

- Developers and Real Estate Professionals, including but not limited to non-and for-profit developers, real estate professionals, and housing trade organizations (3 seats) – Application process with priority given to Growing Transit Community Compact signatories
- Housing Organizations, including but not limited to county housing consortia and subregional housing groups such as ARCH, SKHHP, AHA, and SHAAP (3 seats) – Application process with priority given to Growing Transit Community Compact signatories
- Community, Equity, Environment Organizations (2 seats) – Application process with priority given to Growing Transit Community Compact signatories
- Local Transit Agency (2 seat) – Appointed by the Transportation Operators Committee
- Sound Transit (1 seat) – Appointed by Sound Transit
- Washington State Department of Transportation – WSDOT (1 seat) – Appointed by WSDOT
- Growth Management Policy Board Member (2 seats) – Appointed by the Growth Management Policy Board

To maintain a healthy balance of experience and fresh ideas, the Committee will ask members to serve a three-year term with an opportunity to re-apply. Vacancies on the Committee shall be filled during the next application window.

Members are expected to participate in the regularly scheduled meetings and contribute expertise and knowledge, conduct committee work to accomplish goals in between meetings.

Recommendations

The Committee seeks to identify all sides of key issues. Recommendations are reached through consensus. When the Committee is not able to reach consensus, minority positions may be presented to the policy boards, along with the position with majority support from the Committee. The Committee will primarily make recommendations to the Growth Management Policy Board at the request of the Growth Management Policy Board. The Committee may be asked to provide recommendations to other PSRC Boards upon request.

Leadership

The Committee will have two co-chairs. One co-chair must be staff representing a local jurisdiction or other public agency. One co-chair must represent a non-governmental, private, or non-profit organization.