

BYLAWS

GROWTH MANAGEMENT POLICY BOARD

(Bylaws amended July 10, 2003)

Article 1: Purpose

The purpose of the Growth Management Policy Board (hereinafter referred to as “the Board”) is to advise the Executive Board of the Puget Sound Regional Council (hereinafter referred to as “the Regional Council”) on regional aspects of growth management issues pursuant to (a) state legislation (Multicounty Planning Policies, State Environmental Policy Act and Regional Transportation Planning Organizations) and (b) the 1993 Regional Council Interlocal Agreement.

Per adopted procedures, the Board reviews local plans and countywide planning policies and makes recommendations to the Executive Board regarding compatibility with the Growth Management Act and consistency with the adopted regional growth and transportation strategies.

Article 2: Membership

Composition of the Board is determined by the Executive Board pursuant to Section VI(D-2) of the 1993 Regional Council Interlocal Agreement. The membership for voting and non-voting members shall be as specified in Attachment 1 of these bylaws.

Voting members may designate alternates, provided that alternates for local elected officials are also local elected officials from the same membership category. Non-voting members should also designate alternates.

Article 3: Officers

A Chairperson is recommended by the President of the Regional Council to the Executive Board for approval. The primary duties of the Chair shall be to preside over the meetings of the Board; to appoint a Vice Chair; to appoint non-voting members in consultation with the President and Vice President of the Regional Council, and the Chair of the Transportation Policy Board; and to be the key point of contact between the Board and the Executive Board, and between the Board and the Regional Council staff. The Vice Chair shall assume the duties of the Chair in his/her absence.

Article 4: Meetings

Unless otherwise determined by the Chair in consultation with staff, the Board shall meet at least every other month at a consistent date, time and place determined by the Chair to be mutually convenient to the members.

Article 5: Quorum

A quorum shall consist of half of the voting members.

Article 6: Voting

All actions and recommendations of the Board shall be approved by a simple majority of the voting members present. Voting members may move and second any motion for discussion. Non-voting members may move or second a motion which may move forward for discussion only if a voting member makes a part of the motion (e.g., “second” or “move”).

In cases where a substantial minority opinion is held by at least three members of the Board, this opinion shall be transmitted to the Executive Board together with the Board action.

To facilitate the effective conduct and deliberations of Policy Board meetings, only members (or their designated alternates, if member is not present) should sit at the table.

Article 7: Committees and Task Forces

Deliberations of the Board may be informed by presentations from invited persons or committees. The Board may create permanent committees or temporary task forces, as warranted. In the conduct of such committees and task forces, substantial minority opinions or points of view of at least three or more members of the committee or task force on recommendations to the Policy Board should be transmitted to the Policy Board.

Article 8: Amendments

Amendments to these bylaws may be approved by a two-thirds majority of the voting members present.

Chronicle of bylaw revisions:

- *Original adoption – 1993*
- *Amended – February 13, 1997*
- *Amended – September 9, 1999*
- *Amended – July 10, 2003*

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Approved by Executive Board on September 28, 2023

Organizations		Representatives	
Voting GMPB Members	King County	County	2
		Largest City (Seattle)	2
		Metropolitan Center (Bellevue)	1
		Other Cities/Towns	3
	Kitsap County	County	1
		Metropolitan Center (Bremerton)	1
		Other Cities/Towns	1
	Pierce County	County	1
		Metropolitan Center (Tacoma)	1
		Other Cities/Towns	1
	Snohomish County	County	1
		Metropolitan Center (Everett)	1
		Other Cities/Towns	1
	Federally Recognized Tribes	Muckleshoot Tribal Council	1
		Puyallup Tribe of Indians	1
		Suquamish Tribe	1
	Subtotal City/County, Federally Recognized Tribes		20
Statutory Members	Ports (Seattle, Tacoma, Everett, Bremerton)	1	
	WA State Department of Transportation	1	
Subtotal Statutory Representatives		2	
Total Voting Members		22	
Non-Voting	Associate Members	Alderbrook Water and Wastewater District	1
		Thurston Regional Planning Council	1
	Public Agencies	WA State Department of Commerce	1
		Public Health Agencies	1
	PSRC Committees	Regional Staff Committee	1
		Equity Advisory Committee	1
	Private/Civic Members	Business/Labor	3
Community/Environment		3	
Total Non-Voting Members		12	
TOTAL VOTING AND NON-VOTING MEMBERS		34	