

BYLAWS

GOVERNING JOINT MEETINGS OF THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD AND THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT POLICY BOARD

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Article 1: Purpose

As the need arises, the Transportation Policy Board and the Growth Management Policy Board meet in joint session to coordinate activities and make decisions/recommendations. The purpose of these bylaws are to govern joint meetings of the Policy Boards.

The purpose of the joint meetings for the Policy Boards is to advise the Executive Board of the Puget Sound Regional Council (hereinafter the Regional Council) on regional aspects of transportation and growth management issues pursuant to (a) federal legislation (Metropolitan Planning Organization), (b) state legislation (Regional Transportation Planning Organizations, Multicounty Planning Policies, State Environmental Policy Act , (c) the 1993 PSRC Interlocal Agreement, and (d) appropriate related concerns of member jurisdictions, citizens and other interests.

In addition, the Boards serve as a forum for discussions and briefings.

Article 2: Membership

Membership of the Boards is determined by the Executive Board pursuant to state legislation (RCW 47.80.040) and Section VI(D-2) of the 1993 PSRC Interlocal Agreement, and is governed by their individual bylaws.

Article 3: Chair Responsibility

Joint meetings shall be co-chaired or chaired by either of the Policy Board Chairs, or, in their absence, may be chaired by either of the respective Vice Chairs of the Policy Boards.

Article 4: Meetings

Joint meetings shall take place at the discretion of the Chairs of the Policy Boards in consultation with staff.

Article 5: Quorum

A quorum shall consist of half of the voting members of the combined Policy Boards, except that State legislative members will not be counted towards fulfilling the quorum requirement.

Article 6: Voting

All actions and recommendations of the joint 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 joint Board, this opinion shall be transmitted to the Executive Board together with the joint Board action.

To facilitate the effective conduct and deliberations of joint 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 joint Board may be informed by presentations from invited persons or committees. The joint 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 joint Policy Board should be transmitted to the joint Board.

Article 8: Amendments

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