MINUTES

Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board
Thursday, July 25, 2019
PSRC Board Room

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Executive Board was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by
Councilmember Claudia Balducci, Vice President. The signatures on the Attendance
Sheet, as well as documentation by staff, determined attendance and that a quorum
was present.

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Members and Alternates that participated for all or part of the meeting included:
(**participated via phone)

Councilmember Claudia Balducci, PSRC Vice President, King County
Commissioner Glen Bachman, Port of Everett
Mayor Nancy Backus, Auburn, King County Other Cities & Towns
Mayor Becky Erickson, Poulsbo, Kitsap County Other Cities & Towns
Mayor Cassie Franklin, City of Everett
Commissioner Charlotte Garrido, Kitsap County
Commissioner Courtney Gregoire, Port of Seattle
Councilmember Kathy Lambert, King County
**Mayor Denis Law, City of Renton
**Mayor Christie Malchow, Sammamish, Other Cities and Towns in King County
Councilmember Mike O'Brien, City of Seattle
Mayor Amy Ockerlander, Duvall, King County Other Cities & Towns
Mayor Bill Pugh, Sumner, Pierce County Other Cities & Towns
Mayor Dana Ralph, City of Kent
Councilmember Chris Roberts, Shoreline, King County Other Cities & Towns
Ms. Patty Rubstello, WSDOT
**Councilmember Terry Ryan, Snohomish County
Commissioner Hester Serebrin, Washington State Transportation Commission
Executive Dave Somers, Snohomish County
**Deputy Mayor Catherine Stanford, Lake Forest Park, King Co. Other Cities & Towns
**Mayor Penny Sweet, City of Kirkland**
Councilmember Mike Todd, Mill Creek, Snohomish County Other Cities & Towns
**Mayor Barbara Tolbert, Arlington, Snohomish County Other Cities & Towns**
Mayor Greg Wheeler, City of Bremerton
**Councilmember Stephanie Wright, Snohomish County**
**Councilmember Derek Young, Pierce County**

Members absent included:
(*alternate present*)

Commissioner Cary Bozeman, Port of Bremerton
Mayor John Chelminiak, City of Bellevue
Executive Dow Constantine, King County
Executive Bruce Dammel, PSRC President, Pierce County
Mayor Jenny Durkan, City of Seattle
Mayor Jim Ferrell, City of Federal Way
Commissioner Dick Marzano, Port of Tacoma
Secretary Roger Millar, WSDOT
Councilmember Teresa Mosqueda, City of Seattle
Councilmember Abel Pacheco, City of Seattle
Mayor Victoria Woodards, City of Tacoma

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comment or communications received.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

There was no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Claudia Balducci, Chair, Operations Committee, reported that the Operation Committee met, and recommended approval of the vouchers dated June 14 through July 15, 2019 in the amount of $921,847.80. The committee recommended approval of contract authority to purchase an upgrade for accounting software. The committee also recommended the Executive Board approve a budget amendment and contract authority for consultant services for the Puget Sound Region Passenger-Only Ferry Study.

Councilmember Balducci then called on Thu Le, HR Manager, who introduced new PSRC employees:
1. Alex Guo, Data & Planning Intern – Data & Planning Department
2. Ben Larson, Data & Planning Intern – Data & Planning Department
3. Kimberly Pearson, Assistant Planner – Transportation Planning Department
4. Kalon Thomas, Assistant Planner – Transportation Planning Department
CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to: (a) Approve Minutes of Meeting held June 27, 2019, (b) Approve Vouchers Dated June 14 through July 15, 2019 in the Amount of $921,847.80, (c) Approve Contract Authority to Purchase Upgrade for Accounting Software, (d) Adopt Routine Amendment to the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program, and (e) Approve the 2019 Adjustment of PSRC’s Federal Transit Administration Funds and Distribution of Funds to the FTA Regional Contingency List of Projects. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Authorize a Change in the Regional Transportation Plan Project Status for the Sound Transit Federal Way Link Extension Project

Kelly McGourty, PSRC Director of Transportation Planning, briefed the board on Sound Transit’s request to change the status of the Federal Way Link Extension project from Candidate to Approved.

The Federal Way Link Extension project will construct a 7.8 mile extension of Link Light Rail from Angle Lake Station in SeaTac to the Federal Way Transit Center. Operating in exclusive right-of-way, the project generally parallels I-5 on an elevated or at-grade alignment and will serve three stations including Highline College, South 272nd, and the Federal Way Transit Center. All stations will feature new parking facilities which, in total, will provide approximately 1,200 spaces.

At its July 11 meeting, the Transportation Policy Board recommended that the Executive Board authorize changing to status of the project as requested.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to authorize a change in project status for the Sound Transit Federal Way Link Extension project from “Candidate” to “Approved.” The motion passed unanimously.

Approve Budget Amendment and Contract Authority for Consultant Services for Puget Sound Region Passenger-Inland Ferry Study

Gil Cerise, PSRC Principal Planner, briefed the board on the request to amend the budget to add new grant revenues from Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to conduct a passenger-only ferry study and to authorize the hiring of a consultant to assist staff in preparing the study.

PSRC conducted a study of passenger-only ferry service in 2008. Funding provided by the Washington State Legislature will update this study to reflect current conditions and the possibility of additional passenger-only ferry routes.
The proposed work program amendment would increase the adopted Budget and Work Program by $350,000 from $27.39 million to $27.74 million.

**ACTION:** It was moved and seconded (Erickson/Garrido) to: (1) Amend the Adopted Budget and Work Program for Fiscal Years 2020-2021 to add an additional $350,000 in funds from Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) as outlined in the discussion below; and (2) enter into one or more consultant contracts for preparation of the Puget Sound Region Passenger-Only Ferry Study, not to exceed $330,000. The motion passed unanimously.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Draft VISION 2050 Release**

Paul Inghram, PSRC Director of Growth Management, briefed the board on the draft VISION 2050 plan and efforts underway to engage the public.

The Draft VISION 2050 plan was released for public review on July 19 for a 60-day comment period that will run through September 16.

Outreach will include a blend of traditional and innovative techniques to connect with a wide range of people from city staff and elected officials to people that otherwise wouldn’t know about PSRC or VISION 2050.

**Puget Sound Data Trends**

Craig Helmann, PSRC Director of Data, briefed the board on population, housing, and job trends; as well as airport, congestion and transit data trends in the Puget Sound region.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business brought before the board.

**NEXT MEETING**

The Executive Board will next meet on Thursday, September 26, 2019, 10 - 11:30 a.m., PSRC Board Room.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

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Adopted this 26th day of September, 2019.
Executive Bruce Dammeier, President
Puget Sound Regional Council

ATTEST:  Josh Brown, Executive Director