



Puget Sound Regional Council

MINUTES

**Puget Sound Regional Council Economic Development Board
Wednesday, September 6, 2017
PSRC Boardroom**

Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting of the Economic Development Board was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Catherine Stanford, President. The signatures on the attendance sheet, as well as documentation by staff, determined attendance and that a quorum was present.

[To watch a video of the meeting and hear the full discussion, please go to:
<http://psrcwa.iqm2.com/Citizens/Default.aspx>]

Members and Alternates that participated for all or part of the meeting included:

(**participation via teleconference)

Deputy Mayor Catherine Stanford, President

Councilmember Terry Ryan, Vice President

Councilmember Jim Berrios

*Bob Bolerjack***

Betty Capestany**

Councilmember Dino Davis**

Councilmember Reagan Dunn**

Heather Engelbrecht

Commissioner Charlotte Garrido**

Regina Glenn

James Henderson

Councilmember Lisa Herbold

*Pat Iolavera***

Bruce Kendall

Councilmember Connie Ladenburg

Rebecca Lovell

Councilmember Conor McCarthy

Dave McFadden

Erin Monroe

Ralph Pease

Commissioner Clare Petrich

Patrick Pierce

John Powers

Paige Shevlin

Stan Sorscher

Councilmember Ed Stern

Councilmember John Stilin

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas
 Tony To
 Deputy Mayor Jason Whalen**

Members absent included:

(*alternate present)

Brian Bonlender
 Commissioner Stephanie Bowman
 Commissioner Cary Bozeman
 Executive Dow Constantine*
 Bob Drewel
 Leonard Forsman
 Mayor Jill Guernsey*
 Commissioner Troy McClelland
 David Mitchell
 Councilmember Jennifer Robertson*
 Executive Dave Somers
 Mayor Ray Stephanson*
 Chad Wright

Communications and Citizen Comments

The following citizens approached the board for comment: Hendrick W. Haynes and Alex Tsimerman.

President's Remarks

Deputy Mayor Catherine Stanford, President, made the following announcements:

- Reviewed recent history of board meetings and strategy development;
- Summarized the improvements that were made since the July board meeting; and
- Announced that a proposed amendment to the strategy would be introduced during the discussion.

Staff Reports

Josh Brown, Executive Director of Puget Sound Regional Council, made the following announcements:

- Thanked the board for all their contributions over the strategy development process;
- Thanked the President and Vice President for their leadership and work; and
- Thanked PSRC staff for their hard work.

Consent Agenda

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Petrich/Thomas) to: (a) Approve Minutes of Meeting held July 12, 2017 and (b) Approve Vouchers Dated June 15, 2017 through June 27, 2017 in the Amount of \$24,486.75. The motion passed.

Action Items

Discuss Improvements Made to the Regional Economic Strategy/Adopt Regional Economic Strategy

Deputy Mayor Catherine Stanford, President, opened this portion of the meeting by calling for a

motion and second to proceed with discussion of the Regional Economic Strategy with an agreement to vote on adoption at the discussion's conclusion.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Glenn/Pease) to proceed with the discussion and vote on adoption of *Amazing Place: growing jobs and opportunity in the central Puget Sound region* and its companion volume *Economic Analysis of the Central Puget Sound Region* as the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for the Central Puget Sound after any amendments were finalized.

Two amendments to the RES were discussed and voted upon:

Amendment 1 – To order the three goals of the RES in the following order:

- Open Economic Opportunities to Everyone
- Compete Globally
- Sustain a High Quality of Life

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (To/Herbold) to order the goals as listed above. The motion passed.

Amendment 2 – To incorporate language into the strategy “Preserve, protect and support industrial lands, military installations, and maritime sites”. The language under discussion was, “*and should be treated similarly at the regional level as important components of thriving communities. Regional planning efforts should not attempt to tier or segregate industrial centers in such a way that favors some over others when competing for regional resources.*”

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Kendall/Ladenburg) to incorporate the language into the strategy. The motion passed via roll call vote which is filed in the meeting records.

ACTION: The adoption of *Amazing Place: growing jobs and opportunity in the central Puget Sound region* and its companion volume *Economic Analysis of the Central Puget Sound Region* as the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for the Central Puget Sound, with the above amendments as discussed, passed unanimously.

Analyzing the Region's Role in the Emerging Commercial Space Sector

The discussion and adoption of the Regional Economic Strategy took longer than anticipated; this action item will be reintroduced at the next meeting.

Next Meeting

The Economic Development District Board will next meet on Wednesday, December 6, 2017, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in the PSRC Boardroom.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:57 p.m.