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**Snohomish County Councilmember Terry Ryan named President of the Economic Development Board**

In the same action, the board chose Pierce County Councilmember Connie Ladenburg as the new Vice-President. Each will serve the two-year term in their respective positions.

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**New Presidential Appointments ratified by Economic Development Board**

As part of its charter, the board selects non-governmental representatives to create a diverse board and meet EDA requirements, including representation of business, labor, women, people with disabilities and racial minorities as well as the region's cluster industries, research institutions and institutions of higher education. These are the new appointments:

- Neepaporn "A" Boungjaktha, Trade Development Alliance
- Kevin Clark, Argosy Cruises and Tillicum Excursion
- Tom Florino, Amazon
- Caroline King, Washington STEM
- Alex Pietsch, Washington State University
- Tony To, HomeSight

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**Daniel Malarkey presented opportunities related to automated vehicles**

Billions of dollars are being invested by car and technology companies towards development of automated vehicle technologies. Google, Lyft, and Uber are engineering automated vehicle technologies from offices in the central Puget Sound region. Automated vehicle technologies, vehicle sharing services, and electrification of the vehicle fleet have the potential to greatly change how people view and use cars in the region.

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