General Assembly
Thursday, March 31, 2016 • 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Husky Stadium • Don James Center • 3800 Montlake Blvd. NE, Seattle, WA 98195

Registration – please register if you plan to attend at www.psrc.org/about/boards/assembly or by contacting Sheila Rogers at (206) 464-5815. Assembly members – by registering if you plan to attend the meeting, it will help us to determine our quorum. The PSRC General Assembly includes all mayors, county executives, and council and commission members from member jurisdictions and tribes, and representatives of statutory members.

11:30 a.m. – Check-in begins for General Assembly
Sign-in at Registration Table and pick up a box lunch.

1. 12:00 p.m. Call to Order – Mayor John Marchione, President
   • Roll Call* (by sign-in sheet—please sign in at Registration Table)
2. Welcome – Seattle Mayor Ed Murray
3. Public Comments
4. Executive Director’s Report – Josh Brown, Executive Director
5. Consent Agenda
   • Adoption of Minutes of PSRC Assembly Meeting held April 30, 2015*
6. New Business
   a. Adoption of FY 2016-2017 Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program* (ACTION) – Executive Dave Somers, Vice President
   b. Election of Officers - Report of the Nominating Committee* (ACTION) – Executive Pat McCarthy, Chair
7. Regional Economic Strategy Launch
   • Creating a New Regional Economic Strategy – Mayor John Marchione, President
   • Setting Regional Economic Strategy Priorities – Chris Mefford, Community Attributes, Inc.
8. Honoring Washington State Representative Judy Clibborn
9. Other Business
10. 1:30 p.m. Adjourn

* Supporting materials attached.

Board members please submit proposed amendments and materials prior to the meeting for distribution. Organizations/individuals may submit information for distribution. Send to Sheila Rogers, e-mail srogers@psrc.org; fax 206-587-4825; or mail.

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MEMORANDUM

March 21, 2016

To:         PSRC General Assembly
From:       Mayor John Marchione, President
Subject:    General Assembly Voting

Attached is a list of the weighted votes for the General Assembly. The counties’ and cities’ votes are based on the State of Washington Office of Financial Management Final 2015 populations.

Voting at the General Assembly meeting is described in the Puget Sound Regional Council Interlocal Agreement, Section V.B.2:

*The General Assembly shall make decisions when a quorum is present, and on the basis of a weighted vote of the members, with the weight of each city and county jurisdiction vote as follows: total votes of all city and county jurisdictions within each county will be proportional to each county’s share of the regional population. County government will be entitled to fifty (50) percent of their respective county’s total vote. City and town votes will be based on their respective share of the total incorporated population of their county. Indian Tribe vote will be based on their respective share of the regions’ population. The vote of statutory members shall be as prescribed in the applicable statute or as determined by the Executive Board where the applicable statute is silent on the matter of voting.*

As noted in Section 7 of the Regional Council’s Bylaws, approval of the annual budget and work program, adoption or amendment of the regional growth management strategy and transportation plan, and amendments to the Bylaws require a roll-call vote and the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of those present. All other matters require a simple majority, with the manner of voting determined by the presiding officer; however, at the request of any two members, a roll call vote shall be taken.

For more information, please contact Diana Lauderbach, PSRC Chief Financial Officer, at (206) 464-5416 or email dlauderbach@psrc.org.
# PUGET SOUND REGIONAL COUNCIL
## GENERAL ASSEMBLY WEIGHTED VOTES
### March 31, 2016

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Call to Order and Roll Call
The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by Executive Pat McCarthy, President. She announced that a quorum was present. Attendance was determined by the signatures on the registration sheets, and registration check-in by staff, both included with the official copy of these minutes.

President McCarthy welcomed attendees to the 2015 General Assembly. She introduced the head table: Redmond Mayor John Marchione, PSRC Vice President and chair of the Operations Committee; Bellevue Mayor Claudia Balducci, Chair of the Transportation Policy Board; Poulsbo Councilmember Ed Stern, President of the Economic Development District; and Josh Brown, PSRC’s executive director. She reported that Snohomish Councilmember Dave Somers, Chair of the Growth Management Policy Board was unable to attend.

Public Comment
There was none.

President’s Report
Executive Pat McCarthy commented that “this has been an exceptional year to be in elected office and to serve as president of the Puget Sound Regional Council. For the first time in a decade, the legislature is close to passing a comprehensive transportation package. It potentially means an additional $20 billion to invest in transportation in the region. I’m proud of the work this organization has done to encourage progress on a package.

“On the cover of our annual report, that theme is loud and clear: Calling for Action on Transportation.

“In the past year, PSRC’s executive director Josh Brown and his team have had over 100 meetings with mayors, councilmembers and commissioners throughout the region. I’m sure some of you here today have met with him. He asked you about your community’s top concerns and transportation was always at the top of the list. We heard about the urgent need to fund additional transportation resources to support a growing economy.

“We made sure that what we learned in those outreach meetings is influencing PSRC’s work. PSRC conducted a survey of 1,500 voters in the region earlier this year. In an open-ended question, transportation was far and away their most important concern. It confirmed that the people you represent share that same sense of urgency on transportation.

“We made sure that legislators and others heard about the survey results -- and I know it made a difference. We also have shared a status report on transportation system performance with board members and legislators. It showed that our transportation system is increasingly fragile. As we've all experienced first-hand, one breakdown can reverberate throughout the system and cause a commuting nightmare. It's what I've been hearing and experiencing in my own county. Across the region, people are asking for transportation relief. We want our system to be safer and more reliable.
Commuters are hungry for more transit. We need to act now. Thank you for all of your work this year to carry the transportation message to your legislators.

“On top of our big push for action on a statewide transportation package, PSRC has been doing a lot of other important work that helps keep the region thriving. One of PSRC’s key roles is to select transportation projects to receive federal funding. That money goes to projects that improve mobility and support the region’s VISION 2040 growth strategy. In the last year, we awarded $686 million to priority projects.

“We’re also helping cities and counties implement VISION 2040 with new resources for local planning. PSRC staff is working closely with local city and county staff as they complete updates to their comprehensive plans.

“In December, the PSRC Executive Board approved a new regional growth center in my county - Downtown University Place. I think that center is going to play an important role in helping to accommodate growth in the South Sound and create an exceptional place to live and visit. And earlier this year, Issaquah asked PSRC to designate their commercial core as a regional growth center.

“In our economic development work, PSRC is working to strengthen the region’s economic foundations and support industry clusters. We’re continuing to leverage the Manufacturing Communities designation to bring in more federal grant dollars to grow aerospace manufacturing jobs in the region.

“PSRC also hosts the Regional Food Policy Council, which partners with agriculture, business, community groups and local governments to strengthen our regional food system. The council has a three-year action plan that focuses on supporting a strong food economy and improving access to healthy food for everyone.

“We completed an analysis of industrial lands in the region last month. This project took a look at whether the region has enough industrial land to accommodate economic growth. It’s important because nearly a third of all jobs are located on industrial land and these tend to be higher paying jobs that we want to keep and grow.

“In July, we released a coal train study that looked at the economic effects of the proposed Gateway Pacific Terminal on the region. This was an outstanding study that helped us stay on top of changes that could impact our economy and communities throughout the Puget Sound region.

“Our data staff has been busy producing the data and forecasts we depend on for local and regional planning.

“We completed the Regional Travel Survey. More than 6,000 households participated. It is one way the region bases decisions about the future on how real people live around here. PSRC staff has also done a lot of work to develop advanced modeling tools to better predict future growth and travel.

“These are just a few highlights from the past year. We hope you’ll stay engaged in our work – there is so much more to come.

“One major event you won’t want to miss is the US Open at Chambers Bay in June. We are looking forward to showcasing this phenomenal municipal golf course in University Place – which is publicly
owned by Pierce County. We hope it will give people from all over the country and world a chance to get acquainted with the South Sound. We invite all you golf fans and anyone else who wants to be a part of this event to join us in June.

Executive McCarthy then recognized members of PSRC’s Executive Board, Operations Committee, Transportation Policy Board, Growth Management Policy Board, and Economic Development District Board and thanked them for helping to make this a great year.

She commented, “I deeply appreciate your contributions and for taking the time to attend our meetings and stay up to speed on these important regional issues. By working together at PSRC, we are making a difference and laying the foundation for a great future for this region. Thank you.”

**Consent Agenda**

**Adoption of Minutes of PSRC Assembly Meeting held May 29, 2014**

**ACTION:** It was moved and seconded to adopt the minutes of the Puget Sound Regional Council Assembly meeting held May 29, 2014. The motion passed unanimously.

**New Business**

**Adoption of FY 2016-2017 Biennial Budget and Work Program**

Mayor John Marchione, Vice President; Chair, Operations Committee, reported that “the FY 2016-2017 Biennial Budget and Work Program was developed by the Operations Committee and has had an in-depth review by the Transportation Policy Board, Growth Management Board and Economic Development District Board and comes to the General Assembly, today, with a unanimous vote of support from the Executive Board.”

Mayor Marchione thanked members of the Operations Committee for their dedication. He commented, “Over the past two years that I have served as Chair, the Operations Committee has worked tirelessly with PSRC staff to ensure our agency is well run. We have adopted new financial policies which seek to increase our reserves over time, we have been recognized with our third clean audit in a row, and we have sought to improve efficiencies such as reducing printing costs by over $100,000 through the use of new technology such as the QR Codes at each of you tables that allow you to access our budget and work program.

“This budget document is a blueprint guiding PSRC’s work over the next two years. It is a steady-state, balanced budget that supports PSRC’s regional planning mission and builds the agency’s reserves. The primary work for the next two years is summarized on our Integrated Planning Timeline and carries out our planning responsibilities in Growth Management, Transportation, Economic Development and Data Services.”

Mayor Marchione provided a brief overview of the revenues and expenditures for the budget.

“Sixty-one percent of the Revenues come from our State & Federal grants, 16% from Local Funds, 20% are Carryover Funds. These funds come from grant work that began in the last biennium and will be continued in this biennium including funds for Transportation Futures, ongoing Federal Planning, and Federal Transit Administration 5307 funds. Finally, 3% Anticipated State and Federal Grants. Anticipated funds include highly likely revenue sources. The expenditures associated with these anticipated revenues will be shown in the budget as encumbered until the anticipated revenues are secured.

“Forty-four percent of the expenditures supports the salaries of our staff, 26% is for benefits, 16% for overhead, 7% for Consultants & Direct Costs, 2% is encumbered, and finally 5% is used for our
Reserve Fund. This budget includes a 4% increase in membership dues that will be used to build our reserve fund.

He concluded noting that copies of the budget summary and full budget are available on the table.

**ACTION:** It was moved and seconded to: (1) Adopt the Proposed FY 2016-2017 Biennial Budget and Work Program recommended by the Executive Board on March 26, 2015, and (2) Adopt Resolution PSRC-A-2015-01 authorizing the submittal of the adopted Fiscal Years 2016-2017 Biennial Budget and Work Program to the appropriate federal and state funding agencies. The motion passed unanimously.

**Election of Officers – Report of the Nominating Committee**

Executive Pat McCarthy, Chair, Nominating Committee, reported on the recommendations of the Nominating Committee. She first introduced the 2015 Nominating Committee members: King County Executive Dow Constantine, Kitsap County Commissioner Charlotte Garrido, Bremerton Mayor Patty Lent, Snohomish County Executive John Lovick, Steilacoom Mayor Ron Lucas, Port of Everett Commissioner Troy McClelland, Everett Mayor Ray Stephanson, and Kirkland Mayor Amy Walen.

She reported, “the Nominating Committee recommends our officers to be Redmond Mayor John Marchione as President, and Snohomish County Executive John Lovick as Vice President.”

**ACTION:** It was moved and seconded to adopt the slate of officers presented by the Nominating Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive McCarthy then handed the gavel over to Mayor John Marchione, incoming President.

Mayor Marchione commented, “I’m honored to serve in the role of President of PSRC, and look forward to working together with Vice President Executive John Lovick.

He stated, “This is a crucial time for our region. More people are moving here, attracted by the strong economy. Forecasts show that we’re on track to go over the 4 million mark in 2016. These are positive trends, but it means we’re outgrowing the existing transportation system. It’s time to make a major investment for the future.

“As President of PSRC, I will work to support progress on transportation and look forward to engaging with all of you on this topic. By working together at the regional level, we can plan for growth in a way that preserves and enhances what makes this region such a great place to live.”

He then handed the microphone to Executive John Lovick, incoming Vice President.

Executive John Lovick commented, “I’ve learned a lot serving on the Executive Board. I look forward to working with you, Mayor Marchione, and certainly enjoyed working with the former chair. Thank you to the General Assembly for this opportunity and I pledge to do my absolute best to serve you.”

Mayor Marchione then presented Executive McCarthy with a plaque and recognized her for her outstanding leadership as President of PSRC for the past two years.
He commented, “PSRC is an organization that is known as a trusted source for regional planning and data and the place where people come together to collaborate on issues that matter to the future of our region. Pat, your leadership has helped us go to the next level.”

**Special Presentation and Panel Discussion**

**Sound Transit – Link Light Rail Update and Looking Ahead to ST3**

Mayor Marchione introduced the topic commenting that “sometime early next year, light rail will open connecting downtown Seattle with Capitol Hill and the University of Washington. Future regional transit expansions will open between now and 2023. At the same time, the region is trying to build on this momentum to secure authorization from the legislature for Sound Transit 3.”

Mayor Marchione welcomed and introduced panel members King County Executive Dow Constantine who serves as Chair of the Sound Transit Board; Tacoma Mayor Marilyn Strickland who serves as Vice Chair of Sound Transit and is a member of PSRC’s Executive Board; and Edmonds Mayor Dave Earling who is a Sound Transit Board member. Panel members provided an update on Sound Transit’s critical work they are doing on behalf of our region.

**Other Business**

There was no other business brought before the Assembly.

**Adjourn** -- The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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ADOPTED by the Assembly this 31st date of March, 2016.

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Mayor John Marchione
President, Puget Sound Regional Council

ATTEST:

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Josh Brown, Executive Director

(To listen to a recording of the meeting, please contact the PSRC Information Center at info@psrc.org; 206-464-7532.)
ACTION ITEM

To: PSRC General Assembly

From: Mayor John Marchione, President

Subject: Adoption of FY 2016-2017 Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program

IN BRIEF

On Thursday, February 25, 2016, the Executive Board recommended the Supplemental Fiscal Years 2016-2017 Budget and Work Program for adoption by the General Assembly on March 31, 2016. The Proposed Supplemental Budget and Work Program, which can be viewed at http://www.psrc.org/about/budget, provides an overview of the agency’s major work elements and describes the changes that are proposed since the last amendment to the budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Adopt the FY2016-2017 Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program as recommended by the Executive Board.

2. Adopt Resolution PSRC-A-2016-01 authorizing the submittal of the adopted Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program to the appropriate federal and state funding agencies.

BUDGET IMPACT

The Proposed Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program FY2016-2017 is $29.8 million, which is approximately $2.4 million more than the September 2015 Amended Budget and Work Program for FY2016-2017.

BACKGROUND

The Puget Sound Regional Council is the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization and state designated Regional Transportation Planning Organization for the four-county area and has specific responsibilities under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), Clean Air Act (CAA), the state Growth Management Act (GMA) and the Interlocal Agreement approved by PSRC members.

PSRC is funded through a combination of federal and state grants and local funds. The federal grants traditionally make up nearly 80 percent of the funding, while state grants contribute about
5 percent. Local funds provide 15 percent and are used to match the state and federal grants, and also fund work not covered by federal and state grants.

The Operations Committee, which has primary responsibility for developing the annual Budget and Work Program, has had a number of briefings on the proposed Supplemental Budget and Work Program. The Executive Board, Transportation Policy Board, Growth Management Policy Board, Regional Staff Committee, and the Economic Development District Board were also given briefings on the proposed Supplemental Budget and Work Program during the month of January 2016. The Operations Committee prepared and presented this recommended Supplemental Budget and Work Program for presentation to the Executive Board for approval at their February 2016 meeting, where it was approved and recommended for adoption by the General Assembly.

If you have questions, please call Diana Lauderbach, PSRC Chief Financial Officer, at (206) 464-5416 or email dlauderbach@psrc.org.

Attachments:
Supplemental_Budget_Work_Program_Resolution
RESOLUTION NO. PSRC-A-2016-01

A RESOLUTION of the Puget Sound Regional Council
Authorizing Submittal of the Fiscal Years 2016-2017 Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC), at its meeting on April 30, 2015, adopted the Biennial Budget and Work Program for Fiscal Years 2016-2017;

WHEREAS, that the Executive Director of the Puget Sound Regional Council is authorized to submit to the federal and state agencies the grant application to carry out the Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program, and all supporting information, including procedures to ensure compliance with the requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Economic Development Administration; the Federal Aviation Administration; the United States Geological Survey; and the Washington State Department of Transportation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Director is designated as the authorized official to execute grant contracts on behalf of the Puget Sound Regional Council with the United States Department of Transportation, the Economic Development Administration; the Federal Aviation Administration; the United States Geological Survey; and the Washington State Department of Transportation in support of the adopted budget and work program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director of PSRC is authorized to incur costs beginning on July 1, 2016, and receive planning monies from the federal and state agencies and local jurisdictions pursuant to the adopted Supplemental Biennial Budget and Work Program for Fiscal Years 2016-2017 for the Puget Sound Regional Council.

ADOPTED by the Assembly this 31st day of March, 2016.

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John Marchione, Mayor
City of Redmond
President, Puget Sound Regional Council

ATTEST: _________________________
Josh Brown, Executive Director
ACTION ITEM  

March 21, 2016

To: PSRC General Assembly

From: Executive Pat McCarthy, Chair, 2016 Nominating Committee

Subject: Election of Officers

IN BRIEF

The Nominating Committee will present its candidates for the offices of President and Vice President for the General Assembly’s action on March 31, 2016. Additional candidates may be nominated at the Assembly meeting by any member.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The General Assembly should adopt the slate of officers for President and Vice President presented by the Nominating Committee.

DISCUSSION

The Nominating Committee concluded its selection of candidates for PSRC President and Vice President by conference call on March 15. The committee was chaired by Pierce County Executive Pat McCarthy. Other Nominating Committee members included King County Executive Dow Constantine, Kitsap County Commissioner Charlotte Garrido, Bremerton Mayor Patty Lent, Steilacoom Mayor Ron Lucas, Port of Tacoma Commissioner Clare Petrich, Snohomish County Councilmember Terry Ryan, Everett Mayor Ray Stephanson, and Kirkland Mayor Amy Walen.

As noted in Article III, Section 2 of the Regional Council’s Bylaws:

"Elections: The President and Vice President of the Puget Sound Regional Council shall be elected by the General Assembly from the Executive Board membership, and shall not be from the same county. Nomination of candidates for the office of President and Vice President shall be presented annually to the General Assembly, at its first meeting of the calendar year, for the General Assembly’s action."

If you have questions, please contact Executive Pat McCarthy at (253) 798-6602 or email pmccart@co.pierce.wa.us; or Mark Gulbranson at (206) 464-7524 or email mgulbranson@psrc.org.