MINUTES
Growth Management Policy Board
April 5, 2018
PSRC Boardroom

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CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m. by Councilmember Ryan Mello, Chair.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR
Chair Mello thanked outgoing Councilmember Michael Scott for his service to the board. Michael Scott was appointed to the King County Superior Court.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS
The board received general public comment from Alex Tsimerman.

STAFF REPORT
Senior Program Manager Paul Inghram shared that the Executive Board approved the Regional Centers Framework at its March meeting. Approving the Framework sets forward a number of implementation steps going into VISION 2050. Mr. Inghram noted that the agenda packet included a notice for the General Assembly on May 31 and an updated schedule for 2018 GMPB meetings.

Principal Planner Michael Hubner updated the board on the March 16 Regional Transit-Oriented Development Advisory Committee meeting. Mr. Hubner provided a handout that summarized the March 16 meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA
a. Approve Minutes of Growth Management Policy Board Meeting held March 1, 2018

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Margeson/Chelminiak) to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed.
VISION 2050 SCOPING

Senior Planner Liz Underwood-Bultmann presented the feedback received during the VISION 2050 Scoping period. The comment period included various forms of outreach, including letters to federally recognized tribes and five listening sessions with 160+ attendees. Between the 89 letters received and the five listening sessions, there were 1,333 delineated comments.

The top five categories were:
- Land Use and Development Patterns
- Transportation
- Environment, Open Space, Sustainability
- Regional Growth Strategy
- Implementation, Actions and Performance Measures

Additionally, a statistically valid survey was conducted of residents around the region. Ms. Underwood-Bultmann provided a preview of the survey noting the complete survey will be presented at the May board meeting. The top dislike of living in the region is the cost of living. Most (73%) believe in encouraging development in urban areas near transit. A strong majority (66%) say working together on a regional growth strategy is important or very important.

The next step is to complete the Scoping Report, which will be brought to the board at the May meeting.

Councilmember Young expressed growing concerns in Pierce County in general due to the outcomes of a number of debates. There is interest in having a conversation about the future of the organization including the bylaws and make up. The right place to make that recommendation may be at the Executive Board or Operations Committee. Councilmember Young believes that conversation should happen at the same time as the VISION update.

The meeting was focused on breakout groups to help direct staff to focus on critical policy issues. Discussion questions for the breakout groups were:

- What regional issues should be the focus of the update? Based on regional discussions and comments, what are the most important ones to tackle?
- In the GMPB work plan, what should be the topics for extended sessions?
- What would you like to accomplish with this update?

Breakout groups began at 10:45 a.m. The board reconvened at 11:34 a.m. to share the conversations from the breakout groups.

Mr. Inghram facilitated breakout group 3 and shared that the group discussed the interconnectedness of housing and the regional growth strategy. Funding and health/healthy communities were also top priorities. The discussion included how to communicate to the public that planning for 2050 will improve or change the quality of life for the region.

Ms. Underwood-Bultmann facilitated breakout group 1 and shared that they clustered topics that are interrelated. They discussed that housing/housing affordability and equity should both be main areas of focus for the board. Also discussed was how to measure success and to learn what worked with VISION 2040 and use for VISION 2050. They noted the importance of having a cohesive regional vision.
Mr. Hubner facilitated breakout group 2 and noted that the regional growth strategy and annexation rose up as key topics. The group noted that housing topics are interrelated and should be addressed in a comprehensive way. Climate change and resiliency was the third top topic for the group.

Mr. Inghram asked the board if there are technical issues they would like more information on. Board members expressed interest in health/healthy communities, senior housing, missing types of housing, missing middle income jobs, and data collected on access to open space/green space.

Next steps include reviewing the outline of the draft project scope with the Regional Staff Committee at its April 19 meeting. Then staff will present the scoping report to GMPB at the May 3 meeting. At the June 7 GMPB meeting, there will be a preliminary discussion of the Regional Growth Strategy and then housing will be discussed at the July 5 meeting.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for May 3 and will focus on the VISION 2050 Scoping Report.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.
GROWTH MANAGEMENT POLICY BOARD Attendance Roster – April 5, 2018

GMPB MEMBERS & ALTERNATES PRESENT
(Italicized = alternate)
Patricia Akiyama, Master Builders Association – Business/Labor
Councilmember Scott Bader, Metropolitan Center—Everett
Mayor John Chelminiak, Metropolitan Center—Bellevue
Dr. Anthony Chen, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department – Community/Environment (via remote)
Councilmember Tim Curtis, Fife – Other Cities in Pierce County
Mayor Allan Ekberg, Tukwila – Other Cities & Towns in Kitsap County
Lorena Eng, Transportation Agency - WSDOT
Councilmember Larry Gossett, King County
Councilmember John Holman, Auburn – Other Cities & Towns in King County
Councilmember Rob Johnson, Metropolitan Center—Seattle
Councilmember Jeanne Kohl-Welles, King County
Councilmember Hank Margeson, Redmond – Other Cities & Towns in King County
John McClellan, Alderwood Water & Wastewater District
Councilmember Ryan Mello, Metropolitan Center—Tacoma
Ian Morrison, NAIOP Commercial Real Estate Association – Business/Labor
Ike Nwankwo, WA State Department of Commerce
Councilmember Mike O’Brien, Metropolitan Center—Seattle
Deputy Mayor Cynthia Pratt, Lacey – Thurston Regional Planning Council (via remote)
Councilmember Jan Schuette, Arlington – Other Cities & Towns in Snohomish County
Edna Shim, Seattle Children’s – Business/Labor
Councilmember Nancy Tosta, Burien – Other Cities & Towns in King County (via remote)
Mayor Greg Wheeler, Metropolitan Center—Bremerton
Councilmember Paul Winterstein, Issaquah – Other Cities & Towns in King County
Commissioner Edward Wolfe, Kitsap County (via remote)
Councilmember Derek Young, Pierce County (via remote)

GMPB MEMBERS ABSENT (* alternate present)

*Marty Kooistra, Housing Development Consortium – Seattle/King County
*Clayton Graham, Municipal League of King County – Business/Labor
*Marty Kooistra – Housing Development Consortium – Seattle/King County
Peter Mayer, Metro Parks Tacoma – Community/Environment
*Mark McCaskill, WA State Department of Commerce
*Commissioner Paul McIntyre, Alderwood Water & Wastewater District
Rob Purser, Suquamish Tribe
Commissioner Peter Steinbrueck, Port of Seattle – Ports
Councilmember Brian Sullivan, Snohomish County
Chip Vincent, Regional Staff Committee
Bryce Yadon, Futurewise
GUESTS AND PSRC/STAFF PRESENT
(As determined by signatures on the attendance sheet and documentation by staff.)
Laura Benjamin, PSRC
Dan Cardwell, Pierce County
Terry Cullen, City of Bellevue
Carolyn Downs, PSRC
Erika Harris, PSRC
Michael Hubner, PSRC
Paul Inghram, PSRC
Christine Jensen, King County Council
Kathryn Johnson, PSRC
Kristin Mitchell, PSRC
Maggie Moore, PSRC
Brian Parry, Sound Cities Association
Marianne Seifert, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department
Tiffany Speir, City of Lakewood
Liz Underwood-Bultmann, PSRC
Karen Wolf, King County