MINUTES
Growth Management Policy Board
June 13, 2019
PSRC Boardroom

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Councilmember Ryan Mello, Chair.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Leah Missik with Climate Solutions shared her concerns that the Regional Growth Strategy draft Preferred Alternative is not strong enough to address climate change. Ms. Missik asked the board to select Transit Focus Growth alternative without it weakened.

DRAFT MULTICOUNTY PLANNING POLICIES

Director of Regional Planning Ben Bakkenta reviewed the work on outstanding policy issues completed since the June 6 board meeting. It was highlighted that after the plan is released in July, there will be the opportunity to provide more feedback during the 60-day public comment period and make additional revisions in the fall.

Mr. Bakkenta reviewed the updated VISION 2050 policies table packet explaining the Level 1 and Level 2 designations. Policies in Level 1 need further board discussion and Level 2 are changes that are less substantive or reflect previous board direction. The board discussed which policies should stay at Level 1 to further discuss at the July 11 meeting and which policies can be included in the Level 2 consensus package. The board is scheduled to take action on the full set of amendments at the July 11 meeting.

REGIONAL GROWTH STRATEGY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

Principal Planner Liz Underwood-Bultmann reviewed the Regional Growth Strategy objectives and work accomplished to date. The draft preferred alternative started with the Transit Focused Growth alternative, which received the majority of support from public comments on the Draft SEIS, with adjustments based on requests from Snohomish and Pierce counties. The board discussed the request received from Kitsap
The board decided the next step should be to have the Regional Staff Committee discuss it further at its June meeting.

Councilmember Young shared information on vacant parcels in rural areas of Pierce County. There was discussion on the implications of the amount of growth rural Pierce County will see in the decades to come unless there is mitigation through tools such as Transfer of Development Rights or other growth management tools. The board also discussed the goal of 75% of employment growth and 65% of population growth in high-capacity transit stations and regional growth centers.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next GMPB meeting is scheduled for July 11, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., and will focus on action to release the draft VISION 2050 plan.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m.
GROWTH MANAGEMENT POLICY BOARD Attendance Roster – June 13, 2019

GMPB MEMBERS & ALTERNATES PRESENT
(Italics = alternate)
Patricia Akiyama, Master Builders Association – Business/Labor (via remote)
Deputy Mayor Jay Arnold, Kirkland – Other Cities & Towns in King County
Councilmember Scott Bader, Metropolitan Center—Everett
Councilmember Traci Buxton, Des Moines – Other Cities & Towns in King County
Mayor John Chelminiak, Metropolitan Center—Bellevue
Dr. Anthony Chen, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department – Community/Environment (via remote)
Jeff Clarke, Alderwood Water & Wastewater District
Councilmember John Holman, Auburn – Other Cities & Towns in King County
Councilmember Hank Margeson, Redmond – Other Cities & Towns in King County
Councilmember Ryan Mello, Metropolitan Center—Tacoma
Councilmember Abel Pacheco, Metropolitan Center—Seattle (via remote)
Councilmember Ron Peltier, Bainbridge Island – Other Cities & Towns in Kitsap County
Mayor Rob Putaansuu, Port Orchard – Other Cities & Towns in Kitsap County
JoAnn Schueler, Transportation Agency – WSDOT
Councilmember Jan Schuette, Arlington – Other Cities & Towns in Snohomish County
Commissioner Peter Steinbrueck, Port of Seattle – Ports
Councilmember Brian Sullivan, Snohomish County
Councilmember Nancy Tosta, Burien – Other Cities & Towns in King County
Dr. Susan Turner, Kitsap Public Health District – Community/Environment (via remote)
Mayor Greg Wheeler, Metropolitan Center—Bremerton
Commissioner Edward Wolfe, Kitsap County
Bryce Yadon, Futurewise
Councilmember Derek Young, Pierce County

GMPB MEMBERS ABSENT (*alternate present)
Dave Andersen, WA State Department of Commerce
Councilmember Tim Curtis, Fife – Other Cities & Towns in Pierce County
Councilmember Larry Gossett, King County
Clayton Graham, Municipal League of King County – Business/Labor
Marty Kooistra, Housing Development Consortium – Seattle/King County
Councilmember Kathy Lambert, King County
Peter Mayer, Metro Parks Tacoma – Community/Environment
*Robin Mayhew, Transportation Agency – WSDOT
*Commissioner Paul McIntyre, Alderwood Water & Wastewater District
Barb Mock, Regional Staff Committee
Ian Morrison, NAIOP Commercial Real Estate Association – Business/Labor
Councilmember Mike O’Brien, Metropolitan Center—Seattle
Deputy Mayor Cynthia Pratt, Thurston Regional Planning Council
Rob Purser, Suquamish Tribe
*Councilmember Terry Ryan, Snohomish County
Edna Shim, Seattle Children’s – Business/Labor
GUESTS AND PSRC/STAFF PRESENT
(As determined by signatures on the attendance sheet and documentation by staff.)
Hannah Bahnmiller, PSRC
Ben Bakkenta, PSRC
Laura Benjamin, PSRC
Dan Cardwell, Pierce County
Carolyn Downs, PSRC
Mayor Becky Erickson, City of Poulsbo
Eric ffitch, Port of Seattle
Joseph Gellings, Port of Seattle
Jesse Hamashima, Pierce County
Drew Hanson, PSRC
Erika Harris, PSRC
Andrea Harris-Long, PSRC
Michael Hubner, City of Seattle
Kathryn Johnson, PSRC
Ben Kahn, PSRC
Kelly McGourty, PSRC
Leah Missik, Climate Solutions
Kristin Mitchell, PSRC
Maggie Moore, PSRC
Ian Munce, City of Tacoma
Brian Parry, SCA
Charles Patton, PSRC
Skip Swenson, Forterra
Jason Thibedeau, PSRC
Liz Underwood-Bultmann, PSRC
Karen Wolf, King County