# **Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board**

Wednesday, December 7, 2022 • 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting • PSRC Board Room • 1011 Western Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle 98104

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- Written comments

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## 1. Call to Order and Roll Call (10:00)

## 2. Communications and Public Comments

- 3. President's Remarks
- 4. Staff Report

## 5. Consent Agenda (10:30)

- a. Approve Minutes of Meeting held October 5, 2022
- b. Approve Vouchers dated September 22, 2022 through October 3, 2022 in the amount of \$1,757.04
- c. Approve Economic Development District Board Meeting Calendar for 2023

## 6. Discussion Item (10:40)

- a. Industrial Lands Analysis Update -- Ben Kahn, PSRC
- 7. Discussion Item (11:10)
  - a. 2023 Economic Development Focus Areas & Program Funding -- Jason Thibedeau, PSRC

## 8. Information Item

- a. Staff Report
- 9. Next Meeting March 1, 2023

## 10. Adjourn (12:00)

Board members please submit proposed amendments and other materials prior to the meeting for distribution. Organizations/individuals may submit information for distribution. Send to Mikayla Svob at <u>msvob@psrc.org</u>, fax 206-587-4825, or mail.

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## **MINUTES**

Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board Wednesday, October 5, 2022 Hybrid Meeting

## CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board of Directors was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Commissioner Axel Strakeljahn, President. To determine attendance and that a quorum was present, a verbal roll call was conducted by staff.

[To watch a video of the meeting and hear the full discussion, please go to: <u>https://www.psrc.org/boards/watch-meetings</u>].

## **CPSEDDB MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES PRESENT**

See attached attendance roster.

### COMMUNICATIONS AND CITIZEN COMMENT

The board heard public comment from the following individuals:

- Marguerite Richard
- Alex Tsimerman

No other public comments were received.

## PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Axel Strakeljahn welcomed everyone to the October 5, 2022 meeting and thanked the board members for their attendance.

### **STAFF REPORT**

Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager, updated the board on PSRC projects and events, included in the October 5, 2022 agenda, on pages 18-19. This agenda, as well as past materials for the board, can be found on the <u>Economic</u> <u>Development District Board webpage</u>.

Robin Koskey, Director of Government Relations, briefed the board on work by PSRC staff to support the adoption of a state legislative agenda in advance of the 2023 session.

## CONSENT AGENDA

**<u>ACTION</u>:** It was moved (Lee) and seconded (Morell) to: (a) approve the minutes of meeting held July 13, 2022 (b) approve vouchers dated July 5, 2022 through August 10, 2022 in the amount of \$35,215.68. The motion passed.

## **DISCUSSION ITEM: Americas Competitiveness Exchange Program**

Adriana Bonilla, from the Organization of American States (OAS) and Barrett Haga, of the U.S. Economic Development Administration, provided an overview of the Americas Competitiveness Exchange (ACE) program and the work to finalize the region selected for the Spring 2023 event.

## **DISCUSSION ITEM: Good Jobs Challenge Grant for Washington Jobs Initiative**

Maud Daudon, from Career Connect Washington, and Heather Hudson, of the Washington Student Achievement Council provided an overview of the Washington Jobs Initiative and the \$23.5 million Good Jobs Challenge grant recently awarded from the U.S. Economic Development Administration to support this initiative.

## ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:51 am.

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022.

Commissioner Axel Strakeljahn, President Central Puget Sound Economic Development District

ATTEST:

Josh Brown, Executive Director

Attachments: edd2022oct05-attendance

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## **CONSENT AGENDA**

November 30, 2022

To: Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board

From: Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager

Subject: Approve Vouchers dated September 22, 2022 through October 3, 2022 in the amount of \$1,757.04

## **IN BRIEF**

PSRC vouchers are reviewed by the Operations Committee and approved by the Executive Board. To comply fully with RCW 42.24.080, vouchers for the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District (CPSEDD) should be approved by the EDD Board as well.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Approve Vouchers dated	September 22, 2022 thru October 3,	2022 in the an	nount of
\$1,757.04			
REQUESTED			
WARRANT DATE	VOUCHER NUMBER		<b>TOTALS</b>
9/22/2022	AP 12605	\$	336.04
10/3/2022	AP 12627	\$	1,421.00
		\$	1,757.04

The EDD Board should approve the following vouchers:

For more information, contact Andrew Werfelmann, Budget Manager, at 206-971-3292, or <a href="mailto:awerfelmann@psrc.org">awerfelmann@psrc.org</a>.

Attachments: A/P Check Batches



A/P Check Batches						
Dated	Check Numbers	Amount				
09/22/22 – 10/03/22	12605, 12627	\$1,757.04				
Hand Checks		\$0.00				
Total		<u>\$1,757.04</u>				

## Payment Certification RCW(42.24.080)

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury, that the materials have been furnished, the services rendered, the labor performed as described, or that any advance payment is due and payable pursuant to a contract or is available as an option for full or partial fulfillment of a contractual obligation, and that the claim(s) is(are) just, due and unpaid obligations against the above-named governmental unit, that we are authorized to authenticate and certify to said claim(s).

## Authorized District Signature(s) for Payment Claims (Auditing Officer(s) or Board Member(s)):

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## Check Summary Report

## Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board Meeting - December 7, 2022

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12605	9/22/2022	WEDA	Conference Registration - Thibedeau	336.04
12627	10/3/2022	Dickenson Insurance	FY23 EDD D&O Insurance	1,421.00
			Total	1,757.04

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

November 30, 2022

To: Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board

From: Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager

Subject: Approve Economic Development District Board Meeting Calendar for 2023

#### **IN BRIEF**

Staff is recommending a set of dates for quarterly Economic Development District Board meetings in 2023.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The EDD Board should approve the following meeting schedule for 2023:

- Wednesday, March 1 from 10:00AM 12:00PM
- Wednesday, June 7 from 10:00AM 12:00PM
- Wednesday, September 6 from 10:00AM 12:00PM
- Wednesday, December 6 from 10:00AM 12:00PM

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Jason Thibedeau at 206-389-2879, or <u>ithibedeau@psrc.org</u>.

#### Doc ID 3596

#### **DISCUSSION ITEM**

November 30, 2022

**To:** Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board

From: Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager

Subject: Industrial Lands Analysis Update

#### IN BRIEF

PSRC is continuing to develop the <u>Regional Industrial Lands Analysis</u> update and will provide the board with a review of initial findings from analyzing land inventory, employment, and demographic data for industrial jobs.

## DISCUSSION

Industrial jobs and lands are essential to the region's economy, but cities and other local governments need better information to adequately plan for growth and ensure compatibility with other land uses. VISION 2050 and the 2022 Regional Economic Strategy (RES) both include calls to update the Regional Industrial Lands Analysis to identify trends impacting industrial lands, inform local planning efforts, and consider strategies to improve equitable access to employment in industrial jobs.

Staff shared an update on the Regional Industrial Lands Analysis at the July EDD Board meeting. Staff shared findings from outreach to local planning staff and other stakeholders and considerations for data collection and analysis, while the committee provided extensive feedback on conditions and priorities for local governments in considering industrial lands planning. Since July, staff have progressed on analyzing data and continue to work towards a final analysis and report. Further details on the data analysis work are described below.

#### **Data Analysis**

As described at the July meeting, data analysis is a key component of the Regional Industrial Lands Analysis and will serve to inform findings and considerations for local jurisdictions in planning for industrial lands. Staff are developing comprehensive data profiles and analyses in the following areas:

 <u>Employment</u>. Reviewing and analyzing employment levels in industrial clusters and sub-clusters since 2005 will create a better understanding of trends and changes to industrial employment. Includes analysis at the regional and county level as well as a review employment in all <u>Manufacturing/Industrial Centers</u> (<u>MICs</u>).

- <u>Demographics of industrial workers</u>. Understanding who is working in industrial jobs are critical to developing strategies to improve access to jobs and workforce development. Staff are analyzing demographics of workers by county and region in five industry clusters by race/ethnicity, educational attainment, and income.
- <u>Land inventory and market conditions</u>. Central to the Industrial Lands Analysis is a review of land available for future industrial development and redevelopment. With employment forecasts showing growth in several industrial sectors, it is critical to understand where physical land constraints may exist. An assessment of market conditions using CoStar data also helps create a better picture of factors influencing industrial activity in individual counties and MICs.
- <u>Other data analysis</u>. Data and information pertaining to environmental impacts, transportation assets, tribal resources, and equity are planned for inclusion and provide important context to trends in employment and land use.

## **Initial Data Findings**

While staff continue to collect and analyze data, several findings are evident from an initial review of available data:

- <u>Region as a whole is experiencing steady industrial growth</u>. The region has added more than 50,000 industrial-sector jobs from 2015 to 2020, an increase of 10%, and constituting 28% of total jobs in the region. However, this growth lags slightly behind non-industrial job growth in the same time span, which grew 14%.
- Industries with the largest growth since 2015 include building & contracting and transportation, distribution, & logistics (TDL). More than 25,000 jobs in building & contracting were added to the region from 2015 – 2020, while TDL added nearly 11,000 jobs. Industries that saw contraction include machinery & transportation equipment, which lost 5,800 jobs, and telecom, broadcasting & video production, losing 2,700 jobs.
- <u>Conditions and trends for industrial jobs vary considerably across the counties</u> <u>and Manufacturing/Industrial Centers</u>. Preliminary data from CoStar shows that industrial jobs may be spreading out away from the traditional industrial jobs hubs in King County. While these areas are still home to large share of industrial jobs, growth in MICs in Pierce and Snohomish counties are strong.
- <u>Industrial jobs provide better average pay than other sectors, but opportunities</u> <u>for BIPOC communities lag behind</u>. Nearly a quarter of industrial sector jobs have wages or salaries over \$100k compared to 18% of non-industrial jobs. Industrial workers also possess fewer educational credentials. However, fewer people of color work in industrial jobs compared to non-industrial, particularly in higher paying subsectors.

• <u>Some communities experiencing land constraints for industrial growth</u>. Industrial growth and activity is uneven across the region and some areas are seeing greater pressures for growth than others. Constraints due to land availability, geography, and policy impact local conditions.

## **Next Steps**

PSRC staff are working to finalize the data analysis and will develop findings and a final report by spring 2023.

For more information, contact Ben Kahn, Associate Planner, at <u>bkahn@psrc.org</u>.

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#### **DISCUSSION ITEM**

November 30, 2022

**To:** Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board

From: Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager

Subject: 2023 Economic Development Focus Areas & Program Funding

#### IN BRIEF

Staff will provide an update on funding for the Economic Development program, highlight accomplishments from 2022, and gather input from the board on the 2023 Economic Development Focus Areas.

## DISCUSSION

Under guidance from the U.S. Economic Development Administration, the region's Economic Development District Board is responsible for developing and maintaining a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for the central Puget Sound region. In addition, the board develops a set of Economic Development Focus Areas each year to guide staff and board implementation efforts. These Focus Areas identify ways that the EDD can utilize its regional role to advance economic development efforts and build economic development capacity in the region.

#### Economic Development Program Funding

Base funding for the EDD's work program is provided through a Partnership Planning Program grant from the U.S. Economic Development Administration. The grant provides the EDD with \$100,000 per year, with a required \$100,000 local match. The workplan for the Partnership Planning Program grant typically includes the following:

Analysis & Strategy Development

- Leading the development of the region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS).
- Identifying and analyzing new industry opportunities in the region.
- Supporting the development of strategies to strengthen the region's industries and economic foundations.
- Evaluating and monitoring economic trends.

Technical Assistance

- Providing support to local partners pursuing funding through U.S. Economic Development Administration programs.
- Providing support for regional efforts working to build economic capacity.

Amplifying Efforts

- Advocating for policies, programs and efforts that support growth of the regional economy.
- Utilizing the EDD board of directors to advise key regional economic development planning efforts.
- Expanding knowledge about the region's economy through events, convenings, and information sessions.

The EDD is currently in the third year of a three-year grant cycle, which ends on March 31, 2023. The EDD has been invited to apply to the FY2023-FY2025 Partnership Planning Program, which would renew funding through March 31, 2025.

Projects that are identified through the core economic development planning activities frequently require additional funding to implement. Funding sources for these projects can include other PSRC funds, contributions from regional partners, or grants from the EDA or other sources.

In 2020, the EDD was awarded a \$400,000 grant from the EDA as part of the CARES Act, with a performance period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022. These funds were awarded to support regional recovery and resiliency planning and regional recovery coordination. Staff utilized the funding to engage in recovery efforts during the pandemic and leverage that work as an input to the development of the new Regional Economic Strategy, adopted in December 2021. In addition, the grant was used to fund the Workforce Recovery Planning project and the development of the Arts & Culture Recovery Strategy.

PSRC is in the process of developing the agency's FY 2024-2025 Biennial Budget and Work Program. The agency budget includes an Economic Development task (Task 300), which serves as the budget for the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District.

The draft PSRC biennial budget includes estimated revenues and expenditures of \$32 million. The proposed Economic Development portion of the biennial budget includes estimated revenues and expenditures of \$503,000. Revenues for this budget task consists of \$200,000 from the EDA Partnership Planning Program grant, as well as an estimated \$303,000 in EDD dues collected from PSRC's membership to support the districts work.

In early 2023, PSRC's Operations Committee will develop a Final Draft Budget and Work Program and submit to the Executive Board. Executive Board transmits Final Draft Budget including revisions to the May General Assembly for adoption. The EDD board will also take action to adopt the Economic Development element as the budget for the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District.

## Work Accomplished in 2022

The EDD made significant progress implementing the 2022 Economic Development Focus Areas. The items below highlight accomplishments made:

## Analysis & Strategy Development

- Updated the Washington State Space Economy report.
- Adopted the Regional Housing Strategy.
- Kicked off the Industrial Lands Analysis update project.
- Held session on newly enacted tax increment financing tool.
- Developed analysis on teleworking trends.
- Completed the Workforce Recovery Planning project.
- Completed the Arts & Culture Economic Recovery Strategy.
- Published PSRC Community Profiles data website.

## Technical Assistance & Support

- Participated in the WSDOT-coordinated Commercial Aviation Coordinating Commission.
- Released the Economic Development Element Guide.
- Held session on Economic Development planning.

## Amplifying Regional Efforts

- Hosted Regional Connections Kitsap event.
- Board engagement with the Washington State Department of Commerce Innovation Cluster Accelerator Program (ICAP).
- Board engagement with the region's Workforce Development Councils.
- Established quarterly regional economic development newsletter.
- Board engagement with Career Connect Washington and the Washington Student Achievement Council on the Good Jobs Challenge Grant for Washington Jobs Initiative.
- Secured the Americas Competitiveness Exchange for the region.

## 2023 Economic Development Focus Areas

The following workplan items have been identified for implementation in 2023, capturing ongoing efforts and additional opportunities identified:

## Analysis & Strategy Development

- Complete the update to the region's Industrial Lands Analysis to document changed conditions and provide updated data
- Identify partnerships to analyze the economic impact and potential for emerging technologies and sectors that can work to grow the regional economy.
  Opportunity areas include green industries, artificial intelligence, cloud computing, cybersecurity, transportation electrification, and others.
- Work to implement the Regional Housing Strategy, developing data and analysis on regional housing incentives, tools and public opinion.
- Develop a regional Equity Tracker, including measures of economic success as well as other equity measures.

• Analyze and track shifts in telework in the region.

Technical Assistance & Support

- Coordinate an Americas Competitiveness Exchange event in 2023 to promote the region and build partnerships with participating countries.
- Participate in the WSDOT-coordinated Commercial Aviation Coordinating Commission, tasked with recommending ways to accommodate future aviation needs.
- Provide technical assistance and data to local jurisdictions as they develop Economic Development elements of their Comprehensive Plans due in 2024.
- Support the exploration of development of an ultra high speed ground transportation system for the Cascadia region.

Amplifying Regional Efforts

- Support efforts by regional partners to leverage state and federal funding opportunities and grow broadband capacity in the region.
- Supports continued investments in critical infrastructure and workforce development programs that help sustain the region's economy.
- Support efforts by regional workforce development and higher education organizations to connect local students to educational opportunities.

At the December meeting, staff will facilitate a discussion with the board to gather input on the 2023 Economic Development Focus Areas.

For more information, contact Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager, at 206-389-2879 or <u>ithibedeau@psrc.org</u>.

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## **INFORMATION ITEM**

November 30, 2022

Subject:	Staff Report
From:	Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager
То:	Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board

## Americas Competitiveness Exchange Coming to Region in 2023

This November, the <u>Americas Competitiveness Exchange (ACE)</u> program was held in Ecuador. ACE brings together up to 60 senior-level government, business, policy, and economic decision-makers from across the Americas and beyond to experience first-hand the diverse range of projects, strategic investments, public-private partnerships, and best practices from a particular region's economic, innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem. Each ACE is designed to expand cooperation networks throughout the Americas and beyond; strengthen economic development, innovation, and entrepreneurship ecosystems; promote long-term partnerships; and accelerate economic growth. At the closing ceremony in Ecuador, it was announced that the Greater Seattle Region will host the ACE program during the week of May 14-19, 2023.

## **Regional Industrial Lands Data Analysis**

PSRC is developing an update to the <u>Regional Industrial Lands Analysis</u>, last performed in 2015. At its December meeting, staff will provide an overview of findings from analyzing land inventory, employment, and demographic data for industrial jobs.

## 2023-2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program Adopted

The 2023-2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was adopted by PSRC's Executive Board on October 27, 2022. The TIP provides a summary of current transportation projects underway within King, Pierce, Snohomish, and Kitsap counties. These projects are funded with federal, state and local funds, including the most recent federal grants awarded through PSRC.

## PSRC's Executive Board meeting to adopt 2023 Legislative Agenda

PSRC's Executive Board directed staff to draft a legislative agenda for deliberation and adoption ahead of 2023 legislative session. The Executive Board met in September to discuss a draft of the legislative agenda, which was also presented to the EDD Board at its October meeting. Based upon feedback from the EDD Board, the legislative agenda was expanded to include elements of sustaining a strong regional economy. On December 1, PSRC's Executive Board is meeting to adopt the final 2023 legislative agenda.

## **PSRC Community Profiles**

PSRC released a beta version of its <u>Community Profiles Dashboard</u> aimed at providing member jurisdictions with a visual and easily viewable presentation of Census data from the 5-year American Community Survey in an accessible, web-based portal. Available data includes information about people, households and housing, jobs and incomes, and transportation. Data is available by city or by county and can be downloaded in Microsoft Excel format for importation into other programs, including GIS software. Users can also browse projects from the Transportation Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan by district on the portal.

## Passport to 2044: Comprehensive Plan Workshop Series

PSRC is continuing to host an online workshop series on the upcoming comprehensive plan periodic updates. A session focused on <u>Transportation</u> was held on October 18, with a session on <u>Housing</u> held on October 26. Future sessions will focus on <u>Equity</u>, <u>Coordination with Tribes</u>, <u>Planning for Critical Areas</u>, and <u>TOD and Centers</u>. PSRC staff are available to provide technical assistance to local jurisdictions as they develop their comprehensive plans.