



# Puget Sound Regional Council

## **MINUTES**

**Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board  
Thursday, October 27, 2022  
Hybrid Meeting, PSRC Board Room**

### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting of the Executive Board was called to order at 10:01 AM by King County Councilmember Claudia Balducci, PSRC President. A video of the meeting was streamed live as well as recorded and will be available for viewing on PSRC's website. A call-in number was provided on the meeting agenda for members of the public to call in by phone and listen live to the meeting. Roll call determined attendance and that a quorum was present.

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals provided public comment:

- Robin Briggs
- Alex Tsimerman

### **PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

President Claudia Balducci thanked members of the board for joining the meeting. She announced that at the December meeting, the board will be conducting the annual performance review for the executive director. She reminded board members to complete the Executive Director Performance Input survey by October 28th.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Vice President Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee, reported that at today's Operations Committee meeting, the committee recommended approval of vouchers dated August 15, 2022 through October 10, 2022 in the Amount of \$1,332,640.64. The committee also approved contract authority for new office furniture, approved contract authority and budget amendment for employee sharing agreement with University of Washington, and approved PSRC Executive Board Representation.

Vice President Erickson reported that the committee was briefed on the Proposed FY 2024-2025 Biennial Budget and Work Program assumptions and financial policies. The committee is scheduled to recommend the draft budget at its December meeting. She also reported that the committee met two new PSRC employees.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Wahl/Erickson) to: (a) Approve Minutes of Meeting held September 22, 2022, (b) Approve Vouchers Dated August 15, 2022 through October 10, 2022 in the Amount of \$1,332,640.64, (c) Approve Contract Authority for New Office Furniture, (d) Approve Contract Authority and Budget Amendment for Employee Sharing Agreement with University of Washington, (e) Approve PSRC Executive Board Representation, and (f) Adopt Routine Amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).**

**The motion passed unanimously.**

## **DISCUSSION ITEM**

### Federal Partners Report on TMA Certification Report

Ralph Rizzo, Division Administrator, FHWA WA and Linda Gehrke, Regional Administrator, FTA Region, provided brief remarks about PSRC's 2022 Transportation Management Areas (TMA) certification review.

Per federal legislation, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) are required to review and certify the planning processes for federally designated Transportation Management Areas (TMAs) every four years. A TMA is designated for urbanized areas with greater than 200,000 population, and PSRC is the designated TMA for the central Puget Sound area. The current review process was conducted in July 2022 and resulted in continued certification of PSRC's planning processes.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Adoption of the 2023-2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC Program Manager, briefed the board on the requested action to adopt the 2023-2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

The Draft 2023-2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was released for public review and comment on September 8, 2022. The 2023-2026 TIP includes the projects approved by the Executive Board in July as part of PSRC's 2022 project selection process, as well as projects with local, state and other federal funds expected to be utilized during this timeframe. The TIP document also includes a positive

air quality conformity finding, background on the project selection process, an equity analysis, and additional information.

At its October 13 meeting, the Transportation Policy Board recommended Executive Board adoption of the 2023-2026 Regional TIP.

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Figueroa/Wahl) to adopt the 2023-2026 Regional TIP, including the following actions and findings:**

- A. Compliance with State and Federal Requirements - PSRC finds that the 2023-2026 Regional TIP satisfies all state and federal requirements, including consistency with the Regional Transportation Plan, financial feasibility, and a positive finding of air quality conformity. PSRC has also provided reasonable opportunity for public review and considered public comments. Therefore, the 2023-2026 Regional TIP should be adopted by PSRC and submitted to the state and federal funding agencies for approval.**
  
- B. Project Selection, Required for the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration Funds Managed by PSRC - PSRC approves project selection for all projects in the 2023-2026 Regional TIP for which PSRC has project selection responsibilities. These include projects with Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STP), Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula funds.**
  
- C. Authorization for Administrative Amendments to the TIP - PSRC staff are authorized to continue to achieve flexibility and efficiency in the administration of PSRC's programming responsibilities. This authorization enables staff to execute administrative approval for reasonable agency requests for routine project and programming amendments to the approved TIP.**

The motion passed unanimously.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### Climate Change Analysis and Implementation Strategy

Kelly McGourty, PSRC Director of Transportation Planning, briefed the board on work to provide additional 2030 climate analysis.

The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) identifies numerous implementation items, covering all of the major plan elements and policy focus areas. These implementation items call for new and continued work to be done by PSRC, local agencies and other regional and state partners. Over the last several months the Transportation Policy



Board and an Executive Steering Committee have reviewed a summary of these various work program items and provided preliminary feedback on priority timelines, as well as additional details on key scoping elements.

Since 2010 PSRC has had an adopted Four-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy (addressing land use, transportation choices, pricing and technology) and conducted a climate analysis for the horizon year of the RTP. The most recent analysis forecasted emissions and applied the strategy to a horizon year of 2050. The plan further calls for PSRC to develop an interim year transportation network and conduct a 2030 analysis, and to continue to work with partner agencies including the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency to develop a climate implementation strategy for achieving the climate goals and to monitor progress.

Ms. McGourty provide a status report on work conducted to date, including partnership projects currently underway. Information was also provided on the planned approach and next steps for completing this work. This includes various sensitivity tests that can be modeled to analyze potential impacts of additional strategies within the framework of the Four-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy.

It is anticipated that preliminary results of the 2030 analysis and a comparison to the 2030 climate goals will be available for board review at its December meeting.

#### Regional Transportation Plan Performance Dashboard

Craig Helmann, PSRC Director of Data, briefed the board on work on a Regional Transportation Plan performance dashboard.

The plan calls for PSRC to identify performance measures and targets for meeting key aspects of VISION 2050 and the RTP, including but not limited to emissions, safety, active transportation, finance, vehicle miles traveled and transit ridership. The plan also calls for PSRC to track the progress of these measures through an online dashboard.

Preliminary feedback provided by board members, to date, included direction to track progress over time, to report measures at a variety of scales, and to align with the equity dashboard under development.

Mr. Helmann provide a proposed outline of the performance dashboard for board review and feedback. He also provided information on available metrics for comparison to the performance results of the RTP over time.

#### **INFORMTION ITEMS**

Included in the agenda packet was a new employee status report and a reminder to save the date for the November 30, 10 – 11:30 AM Joint Board Session on Institutional and Structural Racism.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business brought before the board.

**NEXT MEETING**

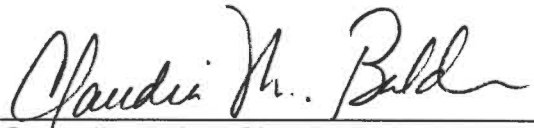
The Executive Board will not meet in November. The board will next meet on Thursday, December 1, 2022, 10:00 - 11:30 AM. This will be a hybrid meeting.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 11:38 AM.

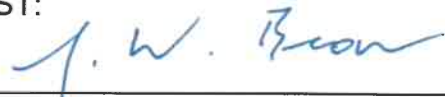
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Adopted this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 2022.



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Councilmember Claudia Balducci, President  
Puget Sound Regional Council

ATTEST:



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Josh Brown, Executive Director

Attachments:  
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**Executive Board Meeting - October 27, 2022**

*Members and Alternates that participated for all or part of the meeting included:*

		Attend
<b>King County</b>	EXC Dow Constantine	1
	CM Claudia Balducci	1
	CM Joe McDermott Alt	
	CM Jeanne Kohl Welles Alt	
Seattle	MYR Bruce Harrell	1
	CM Andrew Lewis	
	CM Tammy Morales	
	CM Dan Strauss	
	CM Teresa Mosqueda Alt	
Bellevue	CM Alex Pedersen Alt	
	MYR Lynne Robinson	1
Federal Way	CM Jennifer Robertson Alt	
	MYR Jim Ferrell	1
Kent	Vacant Alt	
	MYR Dana Ralph	1
Kirkland	CM Toni Troutner Alt	
	MYR Penny Sweet	
Renton	DP MYR Jay Arnold Alt	1
	MYR Armondo Pavone	1
Redmond	CM James Alberson, Jr. Alt	
	MYR Angela Birney	1
Auburn	CM Jessica Forsythe Alt	1
	MYR Nancy Backus	1
Cities/Towns	Vacant Alt	
	CM Chris Roberts, Shoreline	1
	MYR Allan Ekberg, Tukwila	1
	CM James McNeal, Bothell	
	CM David Baker, Kenmore Alt	
	MYR Jeff Wagner, Covington Alt	1
	MYR Mary Lou Pauly, Issaquah Alt	1
<b>Kitsap County</b>	MYR Jan Molinaro, Enumclaw 2nd Alt	
	MYR Rob McFarland, North Bend 2nd Alt	
Bremerton	COM Charlotte Garrido	1
	COM Robert Gelder Alt	1
Port Orchard	MYR Greg Wheeler	1
	CM Michael Goodnow Alt	
Cities/Towns	MYR Rob Putaansuu	1
	CM Jay Rosapepe Alt	
<b>Pierce County</b>	MYR Becky Erickson, Poulsbo	1
	MYR Joe Deets, Bainbridge Island Alt	1
Tacoma	EXC Bruce Dammeier	1
	CM Derek Young	1
	CM Dave Morell Alt	
Lakewood	MYR Victoria Woodards	1
	CM Keith Blocker Alt	
Cities & Towns	CM Don Anderson	
	CM Linda Farmer Alt	
<b>Snohomish County</b>	MYR Pro Tem Javier Figueroa, University Place Alt	1
	DP MYR Ned Witting, Puyallup Alt	
Everett	EXC Dave Somers	1
	CM Sam Low	1
	CM Strom Peterson Alt	
Cities/Towns	MYR Cassie Franklin	
	CM Don Schwab Alt	
	MYR Barbara Tolbert, Arlington	
Port of Bremerton	MYR Pro Tem Bryan Wahl, Mountlake Terrace	1
	CM George Hurst, Lynnwood Alt	
	MYR Mason Thompson, Bothell Alt	1
Port of Everett	COM Axel Strakeljahn	
	COM Cary Bozeman Alt	
Port of Seattle	COM Gary Anderson Alt	
	COM Glen Bachman	1
Port of Tacoma	COM Tom Stiger Alt	
	COM Ryan Calkins	
Washington State Department of Transportation	COMM Sam Cho Alt	
	COM Dick Marzano	
Washington State Transportation Commission	COMM Kristin Ang Alt	
	Secretary Roger Millar	
	Julie Meredith Alt	
	Brian Nielsen Alt	
Washington State Transportation Commission	Steve Roark Alt	
	Robin Mayhew Alt	1
Washington State Transportation Commission	Vacant	
	COMM Jerry Litt Alt	