



Puget Sound Regional Council

MINUTES Growth Management Policy Board March 7, 2024 Hybrid Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Councilmember Megan Dunn, Vice Chair.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Vice Chair Dunn welcomed new board alternate John McClellan of the Alderwood Water and Wastewater District.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Growth Management Director Paul Inghram introduced a new Associate Planner for PSRC, David Dixon, and thanked board members who attended PSRC's Newly Electeds Workshop held in PSRC's new office space at 1201 Third Avenue on March 1.

PSRC Director of Government Relations and Communications Robin Koskey provided a legislative update on topics from Washington, D.C. as well as state legislative and budget updates.

PSRC Principal Planner Liz Underwood-Bultmann gave a brief update on the Comprehensive Plan process.

Paul Inghram concluded with comments on the information items in the agenda packet.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve Minutes of Growth Management Policy Board Meeting held February 1, 2024.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Bader/Buxton) to adopt the Consent Agenda. Motion passed.

PUGET SOUND RECOVERY UPDATE

Staff from the Puget Sound Partnership, Kitsap County and the City of Poulsbo briefed the board on Puget Sound recovery efforts and sought feedback on how the Partnership and PSRC can further support local work. Puget Sound recovery is a goal in VISION 2050 and is addressed through several policies like En-Action-2, which directs PSRC and the Puget Sound Partnership to coordinate to support watershed planning to inform land use, transportation and stormwater planning that improve the health of the Puget Sound. Puget Sound Partnership staff described funding opportunities for projects and activities that support the Puget Sound recovery.

Board members discussed ideas to help with Puget Sound Recovery including improved wastewater treatment, water capture and reuse, transportation retrofits and stormwater parks. The Health Districts have been partnering on work to reduce impacts of onsite septic systems. Funding for Puget Sound recovery related efforts such as integrating recovery plans with comprehensive plans and monitoring critical areas will be available from the Department of Commerce soon.

ZONING FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Barbara Rosen, a consultant for Enterprise Community Partners, and Maria Tobin, representing the South Sound Military and Communities Partnership provided the board with information about barriers to developing early childhood education facilities. Costs for land and building across the region are escalating, making the siting and development of early childhood care facilities challenging. Enterprise Community Partners and South Sound Military and Communities Partnership explored how land use regulations may create unintended barriers to developing new childcare facilities and how addressing those barriers could improve childcare opportunities for families. Board members recognized how costs and availability of childcare is a significant cost for many families and has a direct impact on a household's transportation and housing.

NEXT MEETING

The next GMPB board meeting is scheduled for April 4, 2024.

Topics include:

- Puget Sound Clean Air Agency's Climate and Environmental Justice Work
- Puget Sound Energy Community Solar Program

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

GUESTS AND PSRC STAFF PRESENT (As determined by staff.)

Kathryn Johnson, PSRC
Piset Khuon, PSRC
Paul Inghram, PSRC
Liz Underwood-Bultmann, PSRC
Erika Harris, PSRC
David Dixon, PSRC
Robin Koskey, PSRC
Sheila Rogers, PSRC
Josh Brown, PSRC
Ben Bakkenta, PSRC
Laura Benjamin-LaPitz, Bellevue
Maggie Moore, PSRC
Shawn Alire, Kitsap County
Maria Tobin, South Sound Military and Communities Partnership
Barbara Rosen, Enterprise Community Partners
Larry Epstein, Puget Sound Partnership
Diane Lenius, City of Poulsbo
Craig Helmann, PSRC

Attachments:

March 7, 2024, GMPB Attendance Roster

Growth Management Policy Board - March 7, 2024						
Voting Members			✓	Non-voting Members		✓
King County	2	CM Sarah Perry	1	Associate Members		
		Vacant		Alderwood Water and Wastewater District	1	COM Paul McIntyre
						John McClellan
Seattle	2	CM Tammy Morales	1	Thurston Regional Planning Council	1	COM Chris Stearns
		CM Maritza Rivera	1			Marc Daily Alt
		CM Tanya Woo, Alt		Public Agency Members		
Bellevue	1	CM Janice Zahn	1	Commerce	1	Dave Andersen
		CM Dave Hamilton, Alt				Mark Barkley Alt
Cities/Towns	3	DM Traci Buxton, Des Moines	1	Public Health Agencies	1	Dr. Gib Morrow, Kitsap Public Health District
		CM Ed Prince, Renton - Chair				Vacant
		CM Melissa Stuart, Redmond	1	PSRC Committees		
		CM Kelli Curtis, Alt - Kirkland		Regional Staff Committee	1	Andrea Spencer
		CM Pam Stuart, Alt - Sammamish	1			Arun Sambataro, Alt
		CP Lindsey Walsh, Alt - Issaquah	1	Equity Advisory Committee	1	Shannon Turner
Kitsap County	1	COM Katie Walters	1			Lisa Espinosa, Alt
		COM Christine Rolfes, Alt		Private/Civic Members-Business/Labor		
Bremerton	1	MYR Greg Wheeler	1	Master Builders of King and Snohomish Counties	1	Jennifer Anderson
		CP Jennifer Chamberlin, Alt				Vacant
Cities/Towns	1	DM Jon Quitslund, Bainbridge Isl	1	Natural and Built Environments (exp.	1	Angela Rozmyn
		CM Ashley Mathews, Alt				Robert Pantley Alt
Pierce County	1	CM Robyn Denson	1	Vacant	1	Vacant
		CM Paul Herrera, Alt				Vacant Alt
Tacoma	1	CM Joe Bushnell	1	Private/Civic Members-Community/Environment		
		CM Sarah Rumbaugh, Alt		Futurewise (reapplying)	1	Alex Brennan
Cities & Towns	1	CM Nikki Bufford, Fircrest	1			Tiernan Martin Alt
		MYR Josh Penner, Alt - Orting		Housing Development Consortium - Seattle/King	1	Patience Malaba
Snohomish County	1	CM Megan Dunn - Vice Chair	1			Jesse Simpson Alt
		CM Sam Low, Alt		Vacant	1	Vacant
Everett	1	CM Scott Bader	1			Vacant Alt
		MYR Cassie Franklin, Alt				
Cities/Towns	1	CM Mike Dixon, Mukilteo				
		MYR Pro Tem Bryan Wahl, Alt - Mntlake Terr.		Non Voting	12	
						8
Federally Recognized Tribes						
Muckleshoot Indian Tribe	1	Vacant				
Puyallup Tribe of Indians	1	Andrew Strobel				
		Jennifer Keating Alt				
Suquamish Tribe	1	Rob Purser				
		Alison O'Sullivan Alt				
Statutory Members						
Ports	1	COM Don Meyer, Tacoma	1			
		COM Deanna Keller, Alt - Tacoma				Abbreviations
WSDOT	1	Jeff Storrar	1			CM Councilmember
		JoAnn Schueler, Alt				COM Commissioner
						CP Council President
Voting	22	(Quorum = 11) Quorum Total	17			DM Deputy Mayor