

## Regional TOD Committee – FAQ

### What is the Regional TOD Committee?

The [Regional Transit Oriented Development Committee](#) (RTODC) is a technical working group focused on identifying and advancing promising equitable transit oriented development (TOD) practices, conducting performance monitoring, and supporting local efforts to take equitable TOD from theory to practice. The committee serves as an advisory committee to the Puget Sound Regional Council's [Growth Management Policy Board](#).

The purpose of the Committee is to advance a broad, multi stakeholder coalition to support equitable transit-oriented development and the region's adopted goals for 65% of future population growth and 75% of employment growth to be located in close proximity to transit through research and technical assistance.

### The committee has a new, revised charter. Why now? How has the committee changed?

The adoption of [VISION 2050](#), the region's long-range plan for growth, provided an opportunity to restructure the committee to better align with current and future regional TOD work. VISION 2050 focuses greater amounts of growth within regional growth centers and high-capacity transit station areas.

In May 2021, the Growth Management Policy Board adopted an updated charter for the Regional TOD Committee. The [updated charter](#) restructures the committee to better support the implementation of VISION 2050 and updated the membership to be more consistent with other PSRC advisory committees.

### What work will the committee do?

The committee will focus on implementing TOD-related goals set forth in VISION 2050:

- Advance and monitor the VISION 2050 growth goals of 65% population and 75% of employment growth in proximity to high-capacity transit.
- Support equity in TOD areas and address displacement of resident and businesses.
- Align affordable housing efforts with transit investments.

Committee members will work with PSRC to develop an annual work plan for the committee. Work may include but is not limited to helping to develop regional TOD guidance documents, providing feedback on TOD policy to the Growth Management Policy Board, and helping to develop networking and educational events.

### How often does the committee meet? What are expectations of committee members?

The committee meets quarterly on the third Friday of the third month of the quarter – March, June, September, and December. Members are expected to participate in the regularly scheduled

meetings and contribute expertise and knowledge, and conduct committee work to accomplish goals in between meetings.

To maintain a healthy balance of experience and fresh ideas, the Committee will ask members to serve a three-year term with an opportunity to re-apply. Vacancies on the Committee shall be filled during the next application window.

### **What seats are open on the committee?**

The Committee will be composed of 21 members. Each member may appoint an alternate, for a total of 42 members and alternates. The members representing the following:

- **Staff from PSRC Member Cities and Counties**, with at least one member representing a jurisdiction in each of the four counties. Staff should represent local jurisdictions of various sizes and different modes of high-capacity transit from across the central Puget Sound region (7 seats) – *Interested parties should complete the [Interest Form](#)*
- **Developers and Real Estate Professionals**, including but not limited to non-and for-profit developers, real estate professionals, and housing trade organizations (3 seats) – *Interested parties should complete an [Application](#)*
- **Housing Organizations**, including but not limited to county housing consortia and subregional housing groups (3 seats) *Interested parties should complete an [Application](#)*
- **Community, Equity, Environment Organizations** (2 seats) *Interested parties should complete an [Application](#)*
- **Local Transit Agency** (2 seat) – Appointed by the Transportation Operators Committee
- **Sound Transit** (1 seat) – Appointed by Sound Transit
- **Washington State Department of Transportation – WSDOT** (1 seat) – Appointed by WSDOT
- **Growth Management Policy Board Member** (2 seats) – Appointed by the Growth Management Policy Board

### **Who can apply?**

The Committee will be composed of representatives from governmental and nongovernmental organizations from across the four-county region.

Members of PSRC committees who are not already being compensated by their employers or other organizations for participating in PSRC meetings are compensated \$125 per meeting. This is a flat rate that is intended to cover time preparing for each meeting as well as other expenses such as childcare, food, and travel.

### **What's the process to apply?**

Interested parties should submit a complete Interest Form or Application by July 16, 2021 – see links below. Committee members will be selected and/or appointed in August 2021. The new Regional TOD Committee will hold its first meeting on September 17, 2021.

## Questions?

Contact Laura Benjamin at [LBenjamin@psrc.org](mailto:LBenjamin@psrc.org) or 206-464-7134

## Resources

- [Interest Form](#)
- [Application Form](#)
- [Charter](#)
- [Committee Webpage](#)