



**Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council (KRCC)
Land Use Policy Committee (PlanPOL) Meeting Summary**

April 18, 2023 Meeting | 12:30 – 2:00 PM

Key Decisions		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">PlanPOL approved the March 21, 2023 PlanPOL meeting summary as final.PlanPOL recommended that the draft housing allocations move forward to the KRCC Board.		
Action Items	Who	Status
1. Post the approved March 21 PlanPOL summary on the KRCC website.	KRCC Staff	Complete

A. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Sophie Glass, KRCC Program Director, welcomed participants to the meeting. See Attachment A: Meeting Attendees for a list of PlanPOL members and observers.

B. COMMITTEE UPDATES AND ACTION ITEMS

March 21, 2023 PlanPOL Meeting Summary: PlanPOL members reviewed the meeting summary from the March 21 PlanPOL meeting. Mayor Putaansuu moved to approve the summary. Mayor Wheeler seconded. The summary was approved without objection. KRCC staff will post the approved summary on the KRCC website.

C. NEW BUSINESS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

Review Draft Housing Allocations and Methodology: Sophie shared a memo summarizing the Land Use Technical Advisory Committee's (LUTAC) recommended housing allocation approach and process. The memo is available in the [April 18 PlanPOL packet](#), page 7. Sophie also shared the draft housing allocations, which are available in the packet on page 9. She reminded PlanPOL members that they had the opportunity to initially review these documents during the March 21 PlanPOL meeting.

PlanPOL members shared the following comments:

- Councilmember Hytopoulos shared that she discussed the draft housing allocations and methodology with the Bainbridge Island City Council. The consensus among the Council was to move the draft housing allocations forward. However, some Councilmembers expressed concern that the allocations will not be viable because they are not tailored to Bainbridge Island's unique conditions. In particular, Bainbridge Councilmembers were concerned whether zoning to accommodate these allocations would require the City to build a new sewage treatment plant, which would be infeasible at this time.
- Mayor Putaansuu shared that each jurisdiction is concerned about whether the housing allocations are achievable. He emphasized that the purpose of this work is to recognize the need.

- Commissioner Walters reiterated the concern about recognizing the housing need. She also expressed concern about infrastructure planning that is required to support additional housing, as well as the mismatch between housing allocations and population targets.
- Councilmember Hytopoulos expressed the importance of clarifying the nuances of this discussion when going forward to the KRCC Board. She emphasized that this is not a firm endorsement, but an acknowledgement that it is the only option, and that housing is an important need.
- Mayor Wheeler emphasized that PlanPOL should not recommend discussion at the full Board to consider alternatives. While each jurisdiction has concerns with the housing allocations, there is no alternative. During the comment period at the Board meeting, each jurisdiction can go on the record naming their concerns. Other PlanPOL members expressed agreement with this approach.
- Councilmember Quitslund affirmed that HB 1220 is good public policy, and the question is about how to translate these policy declarations at the state level down to the local level. He acknowledged that the objective is aspirational, and places like Bainbridge Island may fall short in implementation, but that it is important to keep the goals behind the policy in mind.
- Chairman Sullivan shared that housing issues are very important to the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe. The Tribe is working on expanding its housing for the first time in 15 years. In the next five years, the Tribe expects to have more housing available to members. This will impact other issues that affect the whole community, such as schools and traffic. The Tribe is working on identifying solutions to these issues, in coordination with partners in Kingston, Hansville, and the surrounding community. Chairman Sullivan emphasized that the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe aims to do whatever it can to help and partner with other communities on this important issue.
- Alison O'Sullivan noted that, although communities have a large burden regarding additional housing expectations, they cannot circumvent the Growth Management Act or its expectations. She shared that both Tribes have submitted comments on proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments that explain their positions. The Suquamish Tribe is in a different position than the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe because the Suquamish Tribe's reservation is checkerboarded, with less than half of the parcels owned by the Tribe or Tribal members. Any changes that would occur within reservation boundaries would not be appropriate unless they were fully supported by the Suquamish Tribe.
- Chairman Sullivan expressed agreement with Alison and noted that the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe has provided comments regarding growth management issues in the past and will continue to do so in the future.
- Marla Powers concurred with Chairman Sullivan and Alison and noted that some of the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe's comments to Kitsap County regarded issues relating to housing, urban growth areas, and incorporation. She affirmed that housing is very important, and her department at the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe aims to be partners in helping address housing issues, including by participating in Kingston Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee meetings.

PlanPOL members recommended that the draft housing allocations move forward to the KRCC Board.

Next Steps in the Housing Allocation Process: Sophie explained that if the KRCC Board approves the housing allocations, the allocations will be incorporated into jurisdictions' Comprehensive Plans. Jurisdictions will then work to integrate the housing allocations into their subarea plans and zoning policies.

D. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

Affordable Housing Round Robin:

PlanPOL members did not share any updates.

Legislative Session Updates:

Mayor Putaansuu shared that HB 1110 regarding missing middle housing passed and was signed by the Governor. This bill has some implications to Kitsap jurisdictions, but the implications are not as large as they could have been. The bill regarding transit-oriented development did not make it out of session.

Sophie reminded PlanPOL members that the KRCC Board has invited legislators to attend the June Board meeting, so Board members will have the chance to discuss these bills and other topics with legislators directly.

Next PlanPOL Meeting: Sophie noted that the next PlanPOL meeting will be on June 20, 2023.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this meeting.

F. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Attachment A: Meeting Attendees

NAME	JURISDICTION (ALPHABETICAL)
PLANPOL MEMBERS	
Councilmember Kirsten Hytopoulos	City of Bainbridge Island
Councilmember Jon Quitslund	City of Bainbridge Island
Mayor Greg Wheeler	City of Bremerton
Commissioner Katie Walters	Kitsap County
John Clauson	Kitsap Transit
Allison Satter	Naval Base Kitsap
Mayor Rob Putaansuu	City of Port Orchard
Chairman Jeromy Sullivan	Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
OBSERVERS	
HB Harper	City of Bainbridge Island
Andrea Spencer	City of Bremerton
Arne Bakker	Port of Bremerton
Ed Coviello	Kitsap Transit
Nicole Leaptrot-Figueras	Naval Base Kitsap
Marla Powers	Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
Jim Fisk	City of Port Orchard
Heather Wright	City of Poulsbo
Erika Harris	Puget Sound Regional Council
Alison O'Sullivan	Suquamish Tribe
Crystal Koch	<i>No affiliation listed</i>
STAFF	
Sophie Glass	KRCC Technical Director
Pauline Mogilevsky	KRCC Land Use Program Coordinator