



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

May 17, 2022 Meeting | 1:30 – 3:00 PM

Key Decisions		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">PlanPOL approved the March 15, 2022 PlanPOL meeting summary as final.PlanPOL decided to recommend the draft population and employment growth targets to the KRCC Board.		
Action Items	Who	Status
1. Post the approved March 15 PlanPOL summary on the KRCC website.	KRCC Staff	Complete

A. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

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

Sophie introduced Patty Charnas, the new planning director of the City of Bainbridge Island.

B. COMMITTEE UPDATES AND ACTION ITEMS

March 15, 2022 PlanPOL Meeting Summary: PlanPOL members reviewed the meeting summary from the March 15 PlanPOL meeting. The summary was approved with no comments or revisions. KRCC staff will post the approved summary on the KRCC website.

C. NEW BUSINESS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

Review LUTAC-Recommended Population and Employment Growth Targets: Clay White, LDC, Inc., provided a brief overview of the draft population and employment growth targets, including a reminder of the process for developing them. The draft targets (included in the [May 17 PlanPOL packet](#), page 7) are included as a draft update to Appendix B of the Kitsap Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs). Clay explained that LUTAC, in coordination with jurisdictions' policymakers, developed the draft targets with the intention of meeting state and regional requirements and maintaining alignment with growth trends and the region's vision for the future. Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) staff reviewed the draft targets and believed them to be consistent with the intent of VISION 2050, though the PSRC Board makes the final decision regarding certifying the CPPs.

Sophie reminded PlanPOL that they had the opportunity to review the draft growth targets during the March 15 PlanPOL meeting. LUTAC met on May 12 and updated some of the targets, which reduced the overall overage in the draft targets for the High-Capacity Transit communities and could alleviate some of the growth pressure on Kingston.

Paul Inghram, PSRC, shared that PSRC's data staff recently refined the regional employment estimates. This newer work could be incorporated into KRCC's targets, which would potentially result in a slight decrease to the employment targets. However, KRCC does not need to do this, and could choose to keep the current draft targets.

PlanPOL members shared the following questions and considerations:

- Mayor Erickson asked if proceeding with the current draft targets would cause any problems. Paul shared that he does not see any problems with the current draft targets.
- Councilmember Hytopoulos noted that the Bainbridge Island City Council previously had conversations about concerns regarding accommodating growth. She shared that she does not want to hold up the process, but that her jurisdiction would likely appreciate a slight reduction.
- Paul explained that the targets can be adjusted in the future as cities go through the Comprehensive Plan adoption process. There will be an opportunity to bring those adjustments back to KRCC as a reconciliation of the growth targets.
- Commissioner Garrido shared that she is interested in seeing the updated regional employment data from PSRC.
- Mayor Wheeler expressed support for proceeding with the current draft targets, given that there will be an opportunity for reconciliation later. He expressed appreciation for the deliberate and coordinated process of developing the draft targets so far.
- Mayor Erickson expressed support for proceeding with the current draft targets rather than decreasing them. She shared that it is better to plan for more employment growth than less because these targets drive infrastructure investment.
- Mayor Putaansuu expressed support for proceeding with the current draft targets, given that there is an option for reconciliation and jurisdictions' land use staff are currently very busy.
- Councilmember Hytopoulos expressed support for proceeding with the existing draft targets, given the opportunity for reconciliation.

Mayor Putaansuu made a motion to approve and move forward the draft population and employment targets for KRCC Board review. Commissioner Garrido seconded the motion. The motion passed with unanimous consent.

Sophie explained that the draft population and employment growth targets will move forward to the KRCC Board for review and approval in June.

D. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

Affordable Housing Round Robin

Mayor Wheeler shared that Bremerton approved the Eastside Village subarea plan, which will allow increased density in the area. Bremerton is already seeing interest; projects totaling over 200 units applied for permits immediately, including one fixed-income senior living project. This plan fits into the goal of focusing growth in strategic areas. This year, Bremerton is working on codes related to cottage housing and duplexes/triplexes. Mayor Wheeler noted that these approaches are market-driven affordable housing strategies, which is just one element of affordable housing.

Mayor Erickson shared that Poulsbo is moving forward with the Nordic Cottage project. She also shared that the Planning Commission analyzed the possibility of a multifamily tax credit and recommended not adopting it because many in the development community find that it does not work as intended.

Mayor Putaansuu shared that Port Orchard is expecting two new missing middle housing developments to come on the market next year.

Next PlanPOL meeting: Sophie shared that the next PlanPOL meeting will be on Tuesday, September 20, 2022.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this meeting.

F. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 2:01 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
Councilmember Jeff Coughlin	City of Bremerton
Commissioner Charlotte Garrido	Kitsap County
John Clauson	Kitsap Transit
Allison Satter	Naval Base Kitsap
Mayor Rob Putaansuu	City of Port Orchard
Mayor Becky Erickson	City of Poulsbo
Paul Inghram	Puget Sound Regional Council
OBSERVERS	
Patty Charnas	City of Bainbridge Island
Jennifer Sutton	City of Bainbridge Island
Andrea Spencer	City of Bremerton
Eric Baker	Kitsap County
Ed Coviello	Kitsap Transit
Marla Powers	Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
Nick Bond	City of Port Orchard
Heather Wright	City of Poulsbo
Alison O'Sullivan	Suquamish Tribe
STAFF	
Sophie Glass	KRCC Technical Director
Pauline Mogilevsky	KRCC Land Use Program Coordinator
PRESENTERS	
Clay White	LDC, Inc.