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KITSAP REGIONAL COORDINATING COUNCIL

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# PLANPOL MEETING

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October 15, 2019

Kitsap Transit  
Bremerton, WA

# PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- Presentation Objective
- Brief review of PSRC Regional Centers Framework
- Summary updates regarding Kitsap Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs)
- Review steps to continue updating the Kitsap CPPs in 2019 and 2020
- Discussion & Questions



# PRESENTATION OBJECTIVE

Objective: Support communication among KRCC Committees on the process to update the Countywide Planning Policies.



# REVIEW OF PSRC REGIONAL CENTERS FRAMEWORK

## **Regional Centers Framework Update**

**Adopted March 22, 2018**



Puget Sound Regional Council



# REVIEW OF PSRC REGIONAL CENTERS FRAMEWORK

- Clearly defines the types of central places—both larger and smaller—within the region that are the focus of growth, planning, and investment.
- Establishes criteria and planning expectations that ensure centers are developing as thriving and connected communities with sufficient market potential to accommodate new jobs and residents.
- Provides for consistent designation of centers at the regional and countywide levels across the region.
- Address requirements for new centers and re-designation of existing regional centers.



# REVIEW OF PSRC REGIONAL CENTERS FRAMEWORK

| Countywide Centers   |  |
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| Countywide Growth Center   | Countywide Industrial Center   |
| Center must meet each the following criteria:<br><br>Identified as a countywide center in the countywide planning policies<br><br>Located within a city or unincorporated urban area | Center must meet each the following criteria:<br><br>Identified as a countywide center in the countywide planning policies<br><br>Located within a city or unincorporated urban area |



## Countywide Centers

### Countywide Growth Center

(cont.)

Demonstration that the center is a local planning and investment priority:

- Identified as a countywide center in a local comprehensive plan; subarea plan recommended
- Clear evidence that area is a local priority for investment, such as planning efforts or infrastructure

The center is a location for compact, mixed-use development; including:

- A minimum existing activity unit density of 10 activity units per acre
- Planning and zoning for a minimum mix of uses of 20 percent residential and 20 percent employment, unless unique circumstances make these percentages not possible to achieve.
- Capacity and planning for additional growth

The center supports multi-modal transportation, including:

- Transit service
- Pedestrian infrastructure and amenities
- Street pattern that supports walkability
- Bicycle infrastructure and amenities
- Compact, walkable size of one-quarter mile squared (160 acres), up to half-mile transit walkshed (500 acres)

### Countywide Industrial Center

(cont.)

Demonstration that the center is a local planning and investment priority:

- Identified as a countywide center in a local comprehensive plan; subarea plan recommended
- Clear evidence that area is a local priority for investment, such as planning efforts, or infrastructure

The center supports industrial sector employment:

- Minimum 1,000 existing jobs and/or 500 acres of industrial land
- Defined transportation demand management strategies in place
- At least 75% of land area zoned for core industrial uses
- Industrial retention strategies in place
- Capacity and planning for additional growth
- Important county role and concentration of industrial land or jobs with evidence of long-term demand

# EXISTING COUNTY-SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR KITSAP

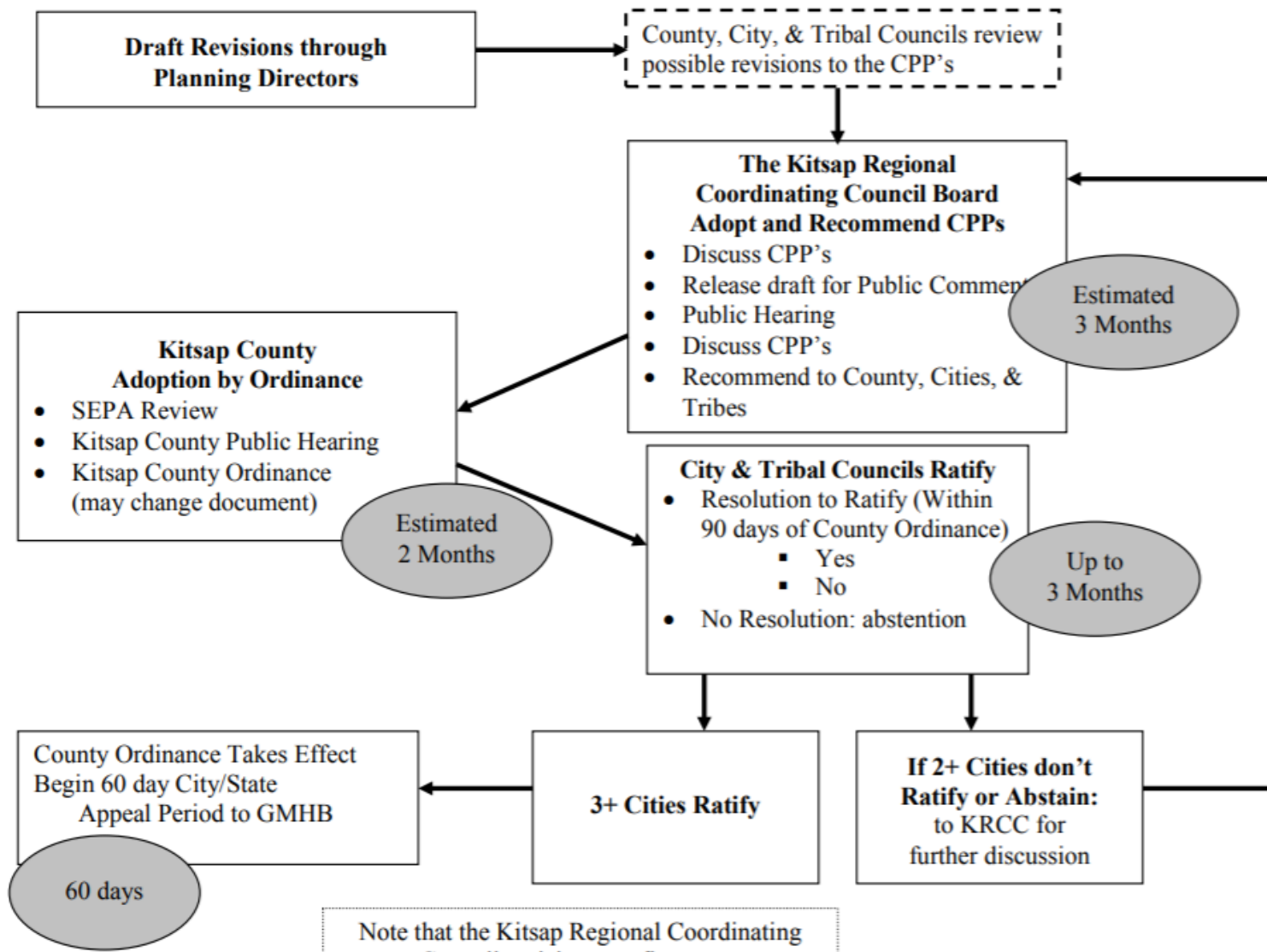
In addition to meeting the applicable criteria above, a request for Center designation or a change in Center status should address the following: (See Appendix G)

- a. Current or programmed transportation resources (including roads, ferries, transit, airports, bicycle, pedestrian)
- b. Balance of living wage employment opportunities with residential
- c. Proximity and connectivity among jobs, housing, retail services
- d. Types and density of residential uses
- e. Inclusion of affordable housing
- f. Provision of community gathering space, parks, and cultural opportunities
- g. Impacts to ecological functions.





**Appendix A:  
Kitsap Countywide Planning Policy Ratification Process**



Note that the Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council anticipates refinements to this process over time.

*Adopted by Kitsap County Ordinance 509-2013  
Nov. 25, 2013*

# KITSAP CPPs

## Vision Statement –

LUTAC reviewed the Vision Statement provided by the KRCC Board in 2019. LUTAC recommended approving the Vision Statement for the Kitsap CPPs without any revisions.



# KITSAP CPPs

**Element C: Centers of Growth** – LUTAC has reviewed several draft versions of Element C and has reached broad agreement in several areas. The agreements include:

- Following the PSRC criteria outlined in the Regional Centers Framework;
- All center types must be urban whether they are countywide or local; and
- LUTAC will continue working on the designation process for Countywide Centers.



# KITSAP CPPs

## Element D: Rural Land Uses and Development Patterns –

Local Areas of More Intensive Rural Development (LAMIRDs) and other rural areas are not being considered as areas for countywide growth as set forth by the PSRC Regional Centers Framework.



# KITSAP CPPs

## Appendix F: Regional and Kitsap Designated Centers List –

Updates to Appendix F include:

- Simplifying the table;
- Changing titles in the table to be consistent with Countywide Center designations; and
- Potentially adding a column to indicate centers that are Candidate Regional Centers that may also be designated in Appendix F.



## ADDITIONAL LUTAC UPDATES

**Coordination of Letter to PSRC regarding VISION 2050** –Kitsap County, the cities, and Suquamish Tribe staff and elected officials developed a coordinated response letter that outlined preferences for projected growth in Kitsap County that should be included in the regional plan. This coordinated letter resulted in PSRC including the proposal into the preferred alternative for Vision 2050.



# ADDITIONAL LUTAC UPDATES

**Growth Management Act Review and Evaluation Program –**  
LUTAC members participated in an initial presentation by Kitsap County Community Development at its July 2019 meeting. The purpose was to introduce a proposed framework and data collection parameters for the upcoming GMA Review and Evaluation Program (Buildable Lands) beginning in 2020.



# ADDITIONAL LUTAC UPDATES

**Committee Membership changes** – In 2019, there have been several changes to the committee

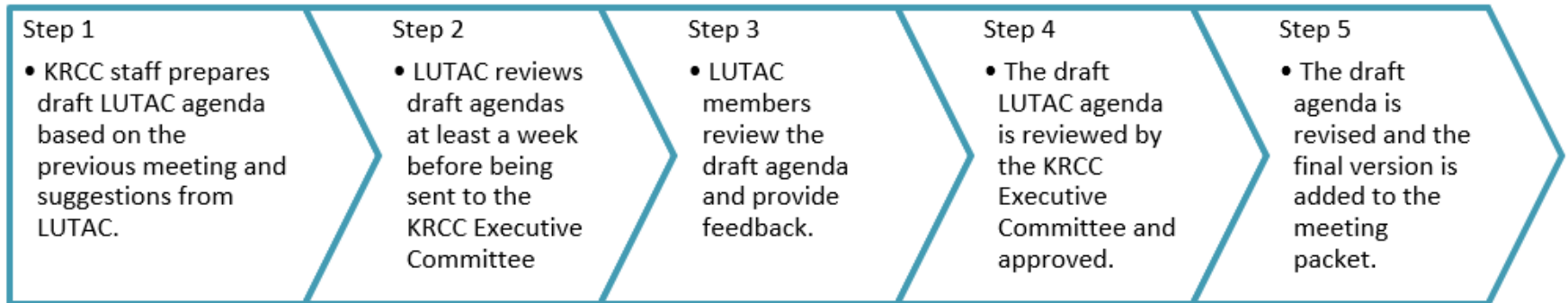
- Jeff Rimack, as the new Director of the Department of Community Development (DCD);
- Heather Wright, Interim Planning Director for the City of Bainbridge Island; and
- Ended the Kitsap Planning Directors Forum (KPDF) after the City of Bremerton returned as a member of KRCC.



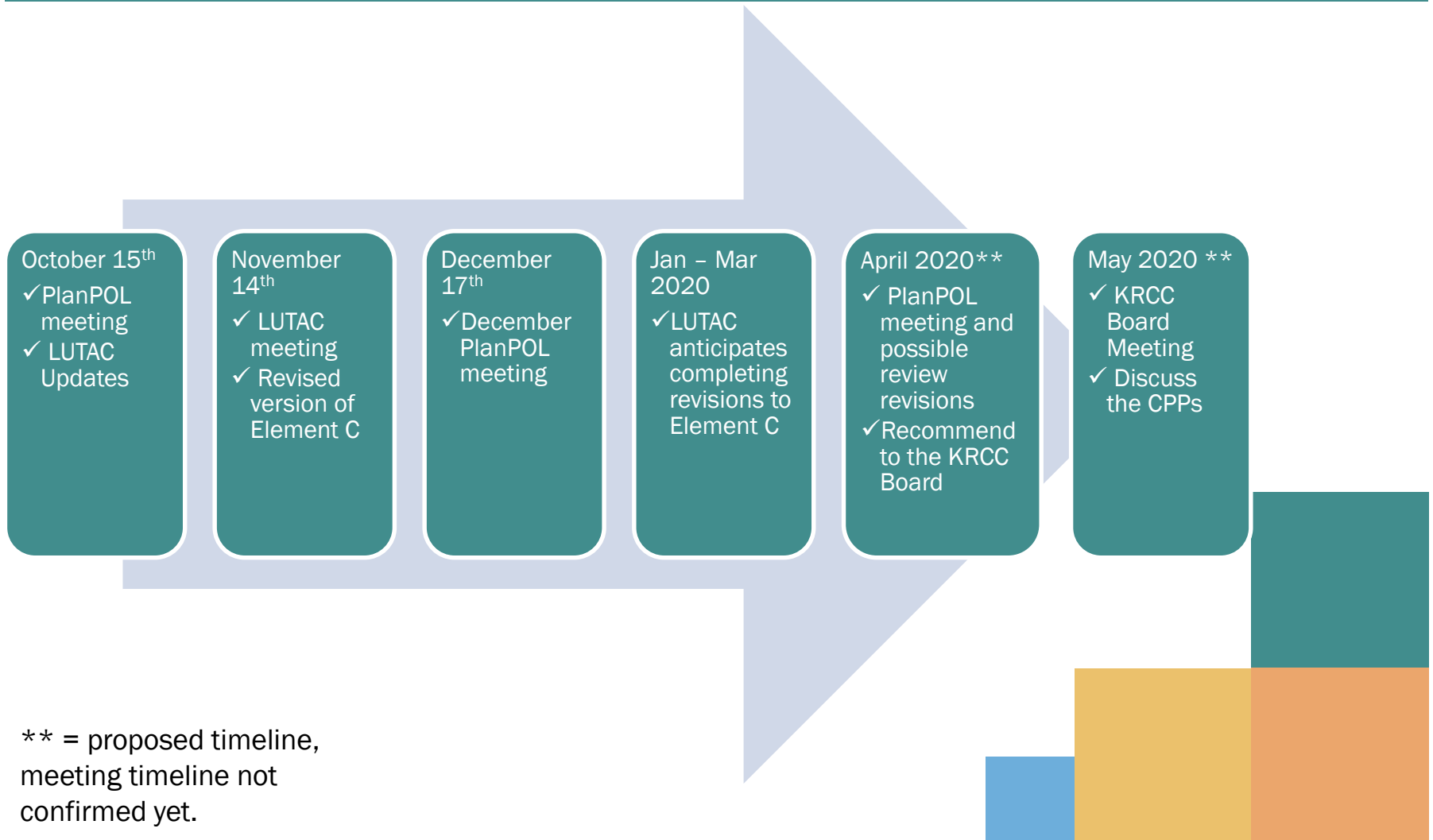


# ADDITIONAL LUTAC UPDATES

**KRCC LUTAC Administrative Items** – LUTAC developed a new process to review future LUTAC meeting agendas.



# STEPS TO CONTINUE UPDATING THE KITSAP CPPs



# DISCUSSION AND QUESTIONS

## Some questions to consider:

- Are there additional county-specific criteria to add?
- How do the communities aspire to see these places grow and develop over the long-term?
- How does PlanPOL envision the countywide center designation process working in the future? For example, does PlanPOL want to have specific application requirements, deadlines, recommendations from TransTAC or LUTAC, etc.?

