



Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council

Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council (KRCC)

DRAFT Board Meeting Summary

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Virtual Meeting following Governor Inslee’s Stay at Home Order

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Decisions		
The KRCC Board decided to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approve the 07/06/2021 KRCC Board meeting summary. 		
Actions	Who?	Status
Send the approved July 6 KRCC Board meeting summary to all councilmembers from the four cities.	KRCC Staff	Completed
Send any issues in the draft CPPs to jurisdiction leadership in advance.	Kitsap County Board of Commissioners	Ongoing
Review KRCC Income Statement.	Councilmember Ashby and KRCC Staff	Ongoing

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Councilmember Ashby welcomed participants to the KRCC Executive Board meeting and introduced each KRCC Board member. See Attachment A for KRCC Board members in attendance and Attachment B for non-Board members in attendance.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve the 7/6/2021 KRCC Board Meeting Summary

Councilmember Stern made the motion to approve the 7/6/2021 KRCC Board meeting summary. Commissioner Strakeljahn seconded. The motion passed with unanimous consent. Councilmember Stern requested that KRCC staff send the summary to all councilmembers from the four cities because it encapsulates the work that took place regarding the Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) over the last year.

B. Review the April Executive Committee Meeting Summary

Councilmember Ashby explained that the April Executive Committee meeting summary can be found in the [September 7 KRCC Board meeting reference packet](#).

3. FULL DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Status Report: Kitsap County Countywide Planning Policy (CPP) Public Process

Councilmember Ashby reminded Board members that the KRCC Board approved and recommended the draft CPPs during the July 6 meeting and public hearing. Commissioner Gelder explained that Kitsap County went through the SEPA determination process and is scheduled for a hearing on September 27. Clay White, LDC, Inc., shared that Kitsap County received two public comments during the SEPA process. The county and three of the four cities are required to ratify the CPPs. The Suquamish Tribe and Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribe could also ratify, but it is not required to pass the CPPs.

B. Next Steps in the CPP Ratification Process



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Councilmember Deets asked when the CPPs will be sent to the local jurisdictions. Clay and Commissioner Gelder explained that the CPPs will be sent to jurisdictions approximately one week after the September 27 hearing process. The jurisdictions will have the CPPs around the second week of October.

C. Workflow for finalizing the 2022 KRCC Work Plan – (re: Transportation Competition and Population and Employment Numbers)

Pauline Mogilevsky, KRCC staff, shared that the Executive Committee's guidance has been to work first with policy committees to understand how they want to approach the work plan and provide direction for technical committees. TransPOL and PlanPOL will discuss the work plan during their September and October meetings. KRCC staff have met with TransTAC members to get their feedback, and LUTAC will provide their input during their September meeting. The KRCC Board will review the work plan at the November 2 meeting and vote on whether to approve it at the December 7 meeting.

D. KRCC Bylaw Update (as a result of CPP update)

Councilmember Ashby explained that the KRCC bylaws only need to be approved by the Board. Because of KRCC's changes to CPP Appendix A, CPP amendments can now be approved solely by the Board with a 75% majority instead of going back to the cities and Tribes, streamlining the process. The KRCC bylaws include a section that explains which actions require a 75% majority vote. The CPP appendices need to be added to that list. Commissioner Gelder and Mayor Erickson recommended that the KRCC Board discuss a redlined version of the full bylaws at the November KRCC Board meeting. KRCC staff will include the complete set of bylaws with the redlined section in the November 2 Board meeting packet for review and action by the Board in the November meeting.

Mayor Erickson requested that the Board of County Commissioners sends any issues in the draft CPPs to jurisdiction leadership in advance.

4. KRCC COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Land Use Items

i. Review September 23 LUTAC meeting agenda

Councilmember Ashby explained that the September LUTAC meeting agenda can be found in the [September 7 KRCC Board meeting reference packet](#). Betsy shared that the primary topic for LUTAC is the work plan for the employment and population considerations for 2022. She asked if Board members have any topics regarding population and employment allocation LUTAC should consider in advance of the PlanPOL meeting. Mayor Erickson emphasized the importance of the population and employment allocation process. Councilmember Ashby explained that Clay will support LUTAC in this work. She emphasized the importance of collaboration and coordination between policy staff and technical staff.

Mayor Erickson shared that all the cities except Bainbridge Island are accepting large amounts of growth. She encouraged a conversation about why Bainbridge Island has historically not accepted as much growth. Councilmember Ashby encouraged this conversation at the policy level to help technical staff do their work, starting at the October PlanPOL meeting. Councilmember Deets shared that he welcomes this discussion and will report to his colleagues that this discussion is coming.

B. Transportation Items

i. Update from the Gorst Coalition



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Commissioner Strakeljahn explained that there was a kickoff meeting recently with local officials, federally-elected legislators, and staff to regroup about the Gorst Coalition. Mayor Wheeler explained that the planned legislative tours have been cancelled due to COVID-19 concerns. He and Naval Base Kitsap's new commanding officer will meet to discuss options for rescheduling as soon as possible.

Commissioner Wolfe added that the Silverdale Chamber of Commerce received a presentation about the Gorst Coalition. He expressed appreciation for the bipartisanship and collaboration from those involved in this work.

ii. Review September 16 TransPOL meeting agenda

Betsy noted that this meeting is scheduled on Yom Kippur. No Board members expressed personal concerns, so the meeting will occur as scheduled on September 16.

iii. Review October 14 TransTAC meeting agenda

Councilmember Ashby explained that the October TransTAC agenda can be found in the [September 7 KRCC Board meeting reference packet](#).

iv. Confirm workflow of TransPOL and TransTAC

In regard to the Biennial Federal Transportation Funding Cycle, TransPOL will be meeting a month before the TransTAC technical staff. TransPOL will discuss policy issues and priorities before TransTAC has to work them out. Commissioner McClure shared that this is an excellent approach, but TransTAC should have the opportunity to feed into the TransPOL discussion. Councilmember Ashby answered that this process will allow this level of back-and-forth discussion as TransTAC will report in by the next TransPOL meeting. Any comments or suggestions for TransPOL should be forwarded to either Councilmember Ashby or Claire Wendle, KRCC staff.

Councilmember Ashby explained that all KRCC jurisdictions are members of the Peninsula Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RPTO). The RPTO will make a transportation policy framework for legislators to act upon. Each jurisdiction will be able to suggest a project to be included. The Peninsula RPTO will hold a virtual legislative reception focused on transportation. Councilmember Ashby will make sure all Board members will be updated with relevant information.

Councilmember Ashby noted that the KRCC Executive Committee will discuss whether the 2021 KRCC legislative reception will be virtual or in-person at their next meeting.

5. PSRC BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Updates from the PSRC Executive Board

Mayor Erickson noted that the PSRC Executive Board did not meet in August.

B. Updates from the Growth Management Policy Board

Commissioner Wolfe shared that most of the meeting focused on PSRC's equity work. Mayor Wheeler added that they discussed regional housing strategy and administrative work.

C. Updates from the Transportation Policy Board

Councilmember Ashby explained that the Transportation Policy Board did not meet in August, but the Project Selection Taskforce did. Mayor Erickson shared that the task force has experienced challenges due to the



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virtual environment. The online voting and email voting has been challenging and has not gone as smoothly as in the past. The next meeting will be critical because it will focus on the set-asides. Commissioner Gelder concurred and explained that the task force has spent time on the definition of “equity.” However, they have not seen how this will translate into the project selection process. Councilmember Ashby agreed and shared that it is unclear who each speaker is representing, and voting is not transparent. Special interest groups may be voting differently than the elected officials. The special interest groups seem primarily focused on Seattle and King County. For example, there has been conversation on getting additional funding for bicycle infrastructure, which is not the priority for Kitsap County, which requires more funding for historic preservation instead. Mayor Wheeler suggested requesting a roll call at the beginning of meetings. Mayor Erickson also expressed concern that putting certain safety requirements into policy will invite unforeseen legal challenges in future.

D. Updates from the Economic Development District (EDD) Board

Councilmember Stern noted that Commissioner Strakeljahn will become the leader of the Economic Development District Board in 2022. They are working on building their relationship with Greater Seattle Partners. Commissioner Strakeljahn shared that the EDD is drafting updates to the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. They are developing 2022 focus areas, including aviation and aerospace, housing, equity, workforce development, broadband, childcare, tourism and culture, and health. Councilmember Stern explained that he is joining the Kitsap Economic Development Alliance (KEDA) Executive Committee in place of Mayor Erickson, and as the representative of KRCC. He shared that the KEDA Board will hold a retreat on September 16 in Port Gamble. The changes made in the Kitsap CPPs will be a topic of the retreat.

6. CORRIDOR COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. SR 16 Committee

Councilmember Ashby explained that this committee has become the Gorst Coalition.

B. SR 305 Committee

Mayor Erickson shared that this committee is moving along well, and the Johnson Road roundabout is scheduled to open in June 2022. The fire department is now allowing the closing of Noll Road. Councilmember Deets shared that they are actively discussing the two roundabouts on the north end of Bainbridge Island. He will have discussions with colleagues about including Indigenous artwork on the roundabouts. Commissioner Gelder shared that, at the last meeting, there was concurrence about moving forward with a solution for the Seminole-305 connection. They are still confirming right-of-way issues for the added swale in West Port Madison.

C. SR 104 Committee

Commissioner Gelder shared that the working group for SR 104 met in person at Kingston Village Green to provide an update on the analysis of scaling the project to a level that would be competitive for funding. The question going forward is how to scale the project to be competitive as a project with the addition of active traffic management to not inundate the downtown Kingston area with traffic. Commissioner McClure shared that the committee is working to ensure that the next steps fit within the Rural Town Center funding allowance.

D. SR 303 Committee



Mayor Wheeler shared that the Corridor Modernization Study has been completed. The first action item is synchronization of ten traffic lights. This will make thousands of workers' commutes more efficient and help with the development of new residences. Part of the plan will be to modernize pedestrian access to the Warren Avenue Bridge, expanding pedestrian walkways from three feet to ten feet.

7. KRCC EMERGENT AND COUNTYWIDE ISSUES

Commissioner Strakeljahn thanked Mayor Wheeler for the work on SR 303. He reported that they have demolished the old airport diner. They hope to begin construction on the new diner in late 2021.

Director Clauson shared that the region has been struggling with the distribution of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. The general managers of the transit agencies agreed to and recommended using the same formula used for the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) funds. CRRSAA funds were distributed based on an earned share formula with some adjustments. They propose to do the same with ARPA funds, without the adjustments, which would be strictly earned share. This will come before the Executive Board. Director Clauson asked for support for that recommendation from KRCC Board members that are on the Executive Board. This is projected to result in \$2.5 million from other sources for the agency. He explained that potential concerns may come from Pierce County, who may push for something different. Mayor Erickson suggested presenting a letter to the PSRC signed by all the general managers with this recommendation to strengthen the position. Executive Director Clauson agreed.

8. STAFF REPORT

KRCC Income Statement

Councilmember Ashby explained that the KRCC income statement can be found in the [September 7 KRCC Board meeting agenda packet](#). She shared that she will work with Sophie Glass, KRCC staff, to review KRCC's income statements.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments from the public.

10. KRCC BOARD QUESTIONS, CONCERNS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

No additional questions, concerns, or announcements.

11. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m. The next KRCC Board meeting will be in November.



12. Attachment A – Board Members in Attendance

Board Member	Jurisdiction	In Attendance?
Deets, Joe	City of Bainbridge Island	✓
Schneider, Leslie	City of Bainbridge Island	✓
Daug, Leslie	City of Bremerton	✓
Wheeler, Greg	City of Bremerton	✓
Ashby, Bek	City of Port Orchard	✓
Putansuu, Rob	City of Port Orchard	✓
Rosapepe, Jay (alternate)	City of Port Orchard	
Erickson, Becky	City of Poulsbo	✓
Stern, Ed	City of Poulsbo	✓
Garrido, Charlotte	Kitsap County	✓
Gelder, Robert	Kitsap County	✓
Wolfe, Ed	Kitsap County	✓
Clauson, John	Kitsap Transit	✓
Cpt. Richard Massie	Naval Base Kitsap	
Placentia, Chris (alternate)	Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribe	
Sullivan, Jeromy	Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribe	
Anderson, Gary (alternate)	Port of Bremerton	✓
Strakeljahn, Axel	Port of Bremerton	✓
Heacock, Shane (alternate)	Port of Kingston	
McClure, Mary	Port of Kingston	✓
Forsman, Leonard	Suquamish Tribe	
Mills, Luther “Jay” (alternate)	Suquamish Tribe	



13. Attachment B – Non-Member Participants

Name	Affiliation
KRCC Facilitation Team	
Clay White	LDC, Inc.
Betsy Daniels	Interim KRCC Program Director
Dat Nguyen	KRCC Administrative Coordinator
Pauline Mogilevsky	KRCC Land Use Program Lead