

**KING COUNTY  
GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLANNING COUNCIL  
February 26, 2020  
Puget Sound Regional Council Conference Room  
1011 Western Ave, Suite 500  
Seattle, WA**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

**Members present:**

Executive Dow Constantine, King County  
Councilmember Claudia Balducci, King County  
Councilmember Kathy Lambert, King County  
Councilmember Dave Upthegrove, King County

Councilmember Jennifer Robertson, Bellevue

Councilmember Debora Juarez, Seattle  
Councilmember Dan Strauss, Seattle

**Representing Sound Cities Association (SCA):**

Councilmember Satwinder Kaur, Kent  
Mayor Matt Larson, Snoqualmie  
Councilmember Tom McLeod, Tukwila  
Councilmember Chris Reh, Issaquah  
Councilmember Pam Stuart, Sammamish  
Councilmember Syd Dawson, Maple Valley  
Councilmember Ryan McIrvin, Renton  
Councilmember Salim Nice, Mercer Island  
Councilmember Debra Srebnik, Kenmore

**Representing Special Purpose Districts:**

Brian Buck, Lake Washington School District

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King County Executive Dow Constantine convened the meeting at 4:05 pm. The Executive noted the many new members joining GMPC this year. GMPC members introduced themselves.

Staff affirmed that a quorum was present.

**Agenda Item II – approval of the meeting summary from November 26, 2019.** The summary was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item III – Public Comment** - *No public comment offered.*

**Agenda Item IV – Proposed Changes to the UGA**

Ivan Miller, King County, briefed the GMPC on the three proposed changes to the Urban Growth Area being considered in the 2020 King County Comprehensive Plan. The three proposed changes are:

1. Right-of-Way area adjacent to the City of Woodinville being added to the UGA due to the construction of a roundabout.
2. Utility tract parcels adjacent to the City of Maple Valley being added to the UGA because the facilities on these lands serve the urban area, exclusively.
3. Three parcels adjacent to the City of Issaquah being removed to the UGA and added to the Rural Area due to an outdated land use designation.

Mr. Miller stated that at the next GMPC meeting, the GMPC will be asked to consider a motion approving these three amendments to the UGA.

#### **Agenda Item V – Affordable Housing Committee**

1. The GMPC unanimously approved the following new members to the AHC:
  - Alex Brennan, Executive Director of Futurewise
  - Caia Caldwell, External Relations Manager for Master Builders Association of King and Snohomish Counties
  - Michael Ramos, Executive Director of Church Council of Greater Seattle
  - Councilmember Ryan McIrvine, City of Renton, Sound Cities Association
  - Mayor Lynne Robinson, City of Bellevue, Sound Cities Association
  - Councilmember Girmay Zahilay, King County Council
  - Councilmember Teresa Mosqueda, City of Seattle
2. Councilmember Balducci, along with McCaela Daffern, King County, briefed the GMPC on the work of the Affordable Housing Committee. The main focus of the AHC this year is the update of the Housing Chapter of the CPPs. There is general support for the following:
  - Develop methods for ensuring regional accountability including monitoring regional progress.
  - Promoting geographic distribution and siting.
  - Addressing the need for housing affordable to very low-income households.

CPPs provide general guidance but responsibility lies with the individual jurisdictions for implementation. Developing an accountability mechanism will be important in measuring progress. One request to add landlords to list of stakeholders for outreach.

#### **Agenda Item VI – Briefing: 2020 CPP Update**

Executive Constantine stated that the bulk of the GMPC's work this year will be to update the Countywide Planning Policies to reflect VISION 2050, which is expected to be approved by the PSRC General Assembly in May. Mr. Constantine called on Karen Wolf, King County, to prepare the GMPC for the update and work to come before them this year.

The CPPs are a product of the GMPC. The members of the GMPC will decide on growth targets, the Urban Growth Area, criteria for defining centers, and policies. The CPPs are being updated now because local comprehensive plans are due in June, 2023. Further, PSRC will require (through VISION 2050) that countywide planning policies be submitted by the end of 2021. The CPPs will reflect VISION 2050, include new growth targets for 2023 comprehensive plans, guidance for those plans, account for other policy and legislative changes since 2012, and reflect policy recommendations from the Affordable Housing Committee.

The draft guiding principles include establishing a limited scope for the update, anchoring equity and health, integrating regional policy and legislation changes, providing clear direction for comprehensive plans, and implementing the Regional Growth Strategy. At the next GMPC meeting, staff will present the draft guiding principles for approval.

Staff cautioned the GMPC that if a GMA timelines bill is passed by the legislature to extend comprehensive plan updates to either 2024 or 2025, then the work of the GMPC will be adjusted accordingly.

**Agenda Item VII – Information: 2020 GMPC Meetings**

- April 22
- June 24
- September 30
- December 2

Executive Constantine adjourned the meeting at 5:05 pm.