

**NOVEMBER 2012 COUNCIL SUMMARY BACKGROUND BRIEF:
PUGET SOUND REGIONAL COUNCIL (PSRC)**

Summaries from the Transportation Policy Board and the Growth Management Policy Board from November 8, 2012 are shown below.

TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD (TPB)

- **The Transportation Policy Board recommended projects to receive additional 2012 PSRC Funds:** PSRC received higher than estimated allocations of 2012 federal funds and as a result is able to fund some of the contingency list projects adopted with the Regional Transportation Improvement Program last month. The additional \$30 million is recommended to go to 35 projects throughout the region. Two of these projects have not undergone public comment as part of the TIP and were released for public comment after the board meeting. The Executive Board is scheduled to take final action on this ***recommendation on December 6, 2012.***

This action is good news for Bellevue, as it pulls the \$2.2 million application for the southern segment of the Bellevue Way HOV lane (I-90 to the S. Bellevue Park and Ride – included within ST's East Link project scope) closer to the top of the King Countywide contingency list. The top project on the contingency list in the Large Jurisdiction Program, a City of SeaTac project, could not use the \$2.0 million in STP funds they had applied for because they could not commit at this time to fully funding the construction phase of their project. Federal Way, sponsor of the next project, will come off the list entirely as they agreed to take the total \$2.639 million available to the Large Jurisdiction Program for their design and right-of-way phases, even though they applied for a total of \$4 million. The Bellevue Way HOV project would have improved placement for future funding, though there is no certainty that new funding will become available before the next PSRC competition in 2014/2015.

- **The Transportation Policy Board recommended approval of the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program Management Plan:** This action will meet new federal requirements under MAP-21 for consolidated special needs transportation funding programs. Program Management Plans are documents that describe PSRC's policies and procedures for administering Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding programs in the Seattle-Tacoma-Everett Urbanized Area.
- In other business, the Transportation Policy Board:
 - Heard a summary of three presentations on regional transit coordination and funding, and discussed direction for recommendations to the Executive Board. The board asked for a draft set of recommendations to be discussed further in December.
 - Recommended authorizing a change in Transportation 2040 project status for Aurora Avenue North Multi-Modal Corridor Project - N. 192nd Street to N. 205th Street.
 - Recommended certification of Comprehensive Plans for the Cities of Covington and Redmond.
 - Received an update on Transportation 2040 Prioritization.

- Provided staff with direction on developing draft transportation recommendations to the 2013 Legislature.
- Received a quarterly status report on PSRC funded projects.

GROWTH MANAGEMENT POLICY BOARD (GMPB)

- **The Growth Management Policy Board heard a presentation on the Paine Field/Boeing Everett manufacturing and industrial center:** Allan Giffen, Everett planning director, described the land use, employment, planning history, and challenges for the center, which is home to more than 42,000 jobs.
- **The Growth Management Policy Board was briefed on PSRC land use modeling products:** PSRC staff have been working to develop multiple land use forecast products to support regional and local planning initiatives, including local comprehensive plan updates and the Transportation 2040 Update.
- **The Growth Management Policy Board discussed preliminary recommendations from the Value Capture Financing Subcommittee:** This group is part of the Growing Transit Communities partnership work on affordable housing within transit station areas. The Value Capture Financing Subcommittee is focusing on ways to fund infrastructure and affordable housing within transit station areas.
- **The Growth Management Policy Board prioritized actions to implement VISION 2040:** VISION 2040 includes 68 implementation actions, half of which are done or nearly completed. The board discussed options for moving forward with the remaining actions, and identifying which items should be part of PSRC's next budget and work program.
- In other business, the Growth Management Policy Board:
 - Recommended certification of comprehensive plans for the cities of Covington and Redmond.
 - Received status reports on the Transportation 2040 Update and Prioritization.