

1. 6:00 P.M. Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC)

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Pierce County Regional Council

MEETING AGENDA

July 18, 2019, 6:00 p.m.

Pierce County Annex, Public Meeting Room
2401 South 35th Street, Tacoma, WA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Citizen Testimony**
(limited to 3 minutes on July 18, 2019 agenda items only)
4. **Approval of Minutes**
(May 16, 2019) *Action Item*
5. **Watershed Councils Presentation** *Discussion Item*
Barbara Ann Smolko
6. **Economic Development/Infrastructure Needs** *Discussion Item*
City of Edgewood
7. **Countywide Centers** *Action Item*
Tiffany Speir, GMCC Vice-Chair
8. **PCRC Operations Committee Report** *Discussion Item*
9. **PSRC Committee Reports** *Discussion Item*
10. **Zoo/Trek Authority Report** *Discussion Item*
11. **Announcements** *Discussion Item*
12. **Adjourn / Continue**

The next regular PCRC meeting is August 15, 2019

Any questions regarding this Agenda, please contact
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PIERCE COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL
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Representative(s) Present	Jurisdiction	Representative(s) Present	Jurisdiction
	<i>City of Auburn</i>	Derek Young Dave Morell Doug Richardson	<i>Pierce County</i>
Justin Evans, Vice-Chair	<i>City of Bonney Lake</i>		<i>Port of Tacoma</i>
Milt Tremblay	<i>City of Buckley</i>	Tom Swanson, Chair Cynthia Jacobsen	<i>City of Puyallup</i>
	<i>Town of Carbonado</i>		<i>City of Roy</i>
	<i>City of DuPont</i>		<i>Town of Ruston</i>
Mike Schaub	<i>Town of Eatonville</i>		<i>Town of South Prairie</i>
Daryl Eidinger Nate Lowry	<i>City of Edgewood</i>	Ron Lucas	<i>Town of Steilacoom</i>
	<i>City of Fife</i>	Patrick Reed	<i>City of Sumner</i>
Shannon Reynolds	<i>City of Fircrest</i>	Catherine Ushka Anders Ibsen	<i>City of Tacoma</i>
	<i>City of Gig Harbor</i>	Caroline Belleci Steve Worthington	<i>City of University Place</i>
	<i>City of Lakewood</i>		<i>Town of Wilkeson</i>
	<i>City of Milton</i>		<i>Pierce Transit</i>
Greg Hogan	<i>City of Orting</i>		<i>PSRC</i>
	<i>City of Pacific</i>	Dennis Engel	<i>WSDOT</i>

A quorum of the body was present with 19 members representing 13 jurisdictions.

Others Present:

Tiffany Speir, City of Lakewood/GMCC Vice Chair
 Russell Blount, City of Fife/TCC Chair
 Barbara Ann Smolko, Pierce County
 Steve Friddle, City of Fife
 Austin Neilson, Sound Transit

Chair Swanson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Citizen Testimony

Cincy Beckett, *no address provided*, curious why public testimony is first on the agenda. She is here to advise the Council that the GMHB issued a Determination of Invalidity in Olympia. This is regarding the jurisdiction's ordinances that allow upzoning. They determined it was done illegally. The EIS is not complete or done properly. You should not allow upzoning in unincorporated areas where urban services are not provided. You cannot upzone unincorporated parts of the County.

Public testimony closed.

Minutes

(May 16, 2019)

Motion made (Ibsen/Reed) to approve the May 16, 2019 minutes as presented.

Unanimous aye.

Watershed Councils Presentation

Barbara Ann Smolko from Pierce County Surface Water Management gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Council.

A watershed is the geographic area that drains to a common receiving water. A receiving water can be a river, lake, estuary, bay, or ocean.

She provided a map of the 5 watersheds (WRIAs) in Pierce County, which include:

- Puyallup WRIA 10;
- Nisqually WRIA 11;
- Chambers/Clover WRIA 12;
- Kitsap WRIA 15; and
- Cowlitz

There are four watershed councils:

The Puyallup River Watershed Council (PRWC) is a non-profit that works to restore, protect, and enhance the watershed. They have a 15-member Board of Directors and three committees. They have applied to be the Local Integrating Organization (LIO).

The Chambers-Clover Watershed Council is an ad hoc with officers and by-laws with three committees. Their signature event is the Watershed Issues Forum.

The Key Peninsula-Gig Harbor-Islands (KGI) Watershed Council is ad hoc with officers and by-laws and three committees. Their signature events are the Donkey Creek Chum Festival and the State of the Watershed.

The Nisqually River Council formed in 1987, has 24 members, and is a Salmon Lead Entity. Their signature event is the Nisqually Watershed Festival.

The Councils are willing to come out to individual jurisdictions to discuss and inform on watersheds.

Economic Development/Transportation Infrastructure Needs – Edgewood

Mayor Eidinger gave a presentation to the Council. The City of Edgewood was incorporated in 1996. At last count, the population sits at 11,390, but they are growing. There has been a 1,000% increase in permit applications and they had \$108 million in permit fees in 2018. They have the second highest residential income in Pierce County. There is \$236 million in retail potential, but they're struggling to get any, forcing people in Edgewood to spend money elsewhere. The State spends money everywhere else, leaving Edgewood in need of transportation funding. Traffic is the biggest issue and funding is not available to help mitigate.

Countywide Centers

Tiffany Speir, *City of Lakewood and GMCC Vice Chair*, PCRC approved the 2019 GMCC work plan to include updating the countywide centers and put out a call for applications. They received 14 applications and the GMCC and TCC recommend approval of all.

This will require ratification. It is preferred that the new CPPs and Countywide Centers go through the ratification process together.

Motion made (Evans/Reed) to recommend voting on the Bonney Lake and Sumner applications separately from Tacoma's applications. *Motion withdrawn.*

Motion made (Reynolds/Tremblay) to recommend approval of all fourteen applications. *Motion passed unanimously.*

OCC

Vision 2050 draft plan is out tomorrow with a 60-day comment period. Timeline won't work for an October regional economic/engagement meeting. August 15 meeting will be an overview of the draft plan with the chosen alternative of Transit-Focused Growth. GMCC asked if PCRC would like to submit a combined comment letter or package.

Could get draft letter out a week prior to August meeting, allowing the Council to act in August.

GMCC will draft letter and bring to August meeting.

September meeting pushed up to the 12th for final draft of letter.

PSRC Committee Reports

Update provided by Paul Inghram via email.

Zoo and Trek Authority

Denise McCluskey was voted in as Chair. Mike Schaub will be Vice Chair.

There's a new jeep tour at NW Trek to give attendees a more personal experience.

Red Wolf pups are now at Pt. Defiance Zoo. One-third of all red wolves are born at metro park facilities.

They are looking at replacing the trams at NW Trek with electric ones.

Announcements

Ron Lucas: Roger Neal had surgery recently so he's out. PSRC spends 77% of its money to transit. Recommends looking at Vision 2050 document closely. Pierce County should lead subgroup that's tasked with assigning percentages.

Shannon Reynolds: Fircrest Fun Days has been revamped and is happening July 19-20.

Justin Evans: Bonney Lake Councilmember James Rackley passed away on July 11. He spent nearly 20 years on the Council until resigning right before his passing. He was a great mentor to everyone.

Patrick Reed: Tomorrow is Music off Main and the Night Market. Next weekend is Rhubarb Days and then comes Classy Chassis car show.

Nate Lowry: The Edgewood Community Picnic is this Saturday.

Motion made to adjourn at 7:45 PM.

/ta