

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, July 11, 2016
5:45 p.m.

Conference Room 303 - Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue North

PRESENT: Mayor Roberts, Deputy Mayor Winstead, Councilmembers McGlashan, Scully, and Hall, McConnell

ABSENT: Councilmember Salomon

STAFF: Debbie Tarry, City Manager; John Norris, Assistant City Manager; and Bonita Roznos, Deputy City Clerk

GUESTS: Josh Brown, Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Director

At 5:50 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Mayor Roberts.

Josh Brown, Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) Executive Director, stated PSRC's mission is to ensure a thriving central Puget Sound Region through planning for regional transportation, growth management, and economic development. He shared PSRC represents four counties (King, Kitsap, Pierce and Snohomish), 82 cities and towns, and other members including ports, transit agencies, state agencies and tribal governments.

Mr. Brown reviewed PSRC's funding and structure and identified regional leadership members. He shared the region is experiencing both job and population growth and PSRC's focus is to plan to accommodate that growth. He said the region has seen an increase of 250,000 jobs from 2010-2015 and that the Aerospace and Information Technology sectors have been the drivers. He pointed out that there are 4 million people in the region and another million people are expected by 2017. He said Vision 2040 is PSRC's general growth strategy plan.

Mr. Brown said car congestion and traffic delays are worsening in the region and showed supporting data for this claim. However, he pointed out that transit ridership is growing faster than the population and that annual transit boardings in the region were the 8th highest in the country in 2015. Mr. Brown also said state and local leaders are making an investment in transportation, including passage of the current State Transportation Package, which will complete the SR 520 Bridge, providing Community Transit expansion, placing Sound Transit 3 on the ballot, and completing the Capital Hill and UW Light Rail Stations.

Councilmembers asked about PSRC's funding cycles, if weight is given to cities with more population, and recommendations on how to bring businesses to this region, specifically to Shoreline. They also inquired about the challenge for the State to invest in and maintain existing assets. Mr. Brown responded that PSRC operates on a bi-annual budget divided into a regional

pot supporting projects like the Aurora Corridor and Light Rail, and a county-wide pot supporting small to medium and rural area projects. He said securing grant funds is a competitive process. He noted that the City of Shoreline has been successful in securing PSRC grants and said funding projects for Shoreline includes SR 523/145th Street.

He explained that PSRC's economic role is to provide regional countywide strategies and that it is a data driven exercise to see what needs to be done. He spoke about their Integrated Planning Timeline that includes the 2017 Economic Development Plan, the 2018 Transportation Update, and the 2020 Regional Growth Strategy Vision. He acknowledged the challenge to maintain existing State assets and provided example of assets in need of repair or replacement.

Councilmembers expressed appreciation for Aurora Corridor Project funding and conveyed the importance of having SR 522 and SR 523 improvements and transit connections in place prior to the opening of the Light Right Stations in Shoreline.

At 6:40 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Bonita Roznos, Deputy City Clerk