

GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLANNING COUNCIL

Wednesday, October 28, 2009

Puget Sound Regional Council Board Room

MEETING SUMMARY

Members Present: Councilmember Kimberly Allen, Councilmember Layne Barnes, Councilmember Sally Clark, Councilmember Richard Conlin, Councilmember Mark Cross, Councilmember Chris Eggan, Councilmember Jean Garber, Councilmember Eric Faison, Councilmember Jean Godden, Councilmember Larry Gossett, Councilmember Lucy Krakowiak, Councilmember Larry Phillips, Councilmember Robert Sternoff, Executive Kurt Triplett, Chair.

Chair Triplett convened the meeting at 4:02 PM.

I. Public Comment:

There were no public comments.

II. Resources to Serve Growth and Density

Executive Triplett asked staff to explain the issue. Karen Wolf of King County reminded GMPC that at their September meeting they directed staff to prepare a work plan to address the issue of resources to serve growth and density and bring that work plan to this meeting for GMPC consideration. Karen pointed out that proposed motion 09-1 would adopt this work plan, which calls for policy options to be considered by GMPC in early 2010, with approval of policy amendments by the end of April, 2010.

Councilmember Sally Clark stated that the staff presentation described the situation well and that she appreciated the effort by staff to develop a work plan. Councilmember Clark wants the work plan to be taken seriously, with no slippage of the schedule.

Councilmember Garber stated the Suburban Cities Association supports Motion 09-1. She stated the motion is simple and elegant and gives the issue of resources to serve growth and density the priority it deserves.

By a vote of 9-0, motion 09-1 passed unanimously.

III. Housing and Employment Growth Targets

Executive Triplett called in staff to present the next issue. Chandler Felt of King County and Michael Hubner of Suburban Cities made the staff presentation, which is attached to this meeting summary. Staff approval of Motion 09-2, which adopts housing and employment targets for all jurisdictions in King County.

Councilmember Garber stated that the Suburban Cities association supports Motion 09-2.

Councilmember Conlin thanked the Suburban Cities Association for their support for Motion 09-1. Mr. Conlin also stated that the three Seattle GMPC members will be abstaining when it is time to vote on Motion 09-2 adopting the growth targets. Mr. Conlin stated the Seattle delegation is doing this to emphasize the linkage between the resources issue and the growth targets.

Executive Triplett asked staff whether there would be a quorum if all three Seattle members abstained. Paul Reitenbach of King County responded that there is a quorum present despite the abstentions.

Councilmember Eggan acknowledged the need to link resources and targets. Mr. Eggan stated he supports Motion 09-1.

Councilmember Godden stated the work plan in Motion 09-1 is achievable, and Seattle's abstention is important to indicate the need to link services and growth targets.

By a vote of 6-0 with the three Seattle representatives abstaining, Motion 09-2 was approved.

IV. The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m.