Regional Affordable Housing - Governance Options

Options	Description	Authorities	Membership	Staff	Implementation	Existing Similar
Option 1 Single Purpose Government for Housing	A regional government with taxing authority for affordable housing with singular decision-making authority for revenue and funding	 Set goals/create regional plan Raise revenues to meet goals Implement housing by direct provision grants or contracting Engage stakeholders Develop public engagement plan Monitor progress toward goals Technical support to cities 	• Electeds	 Yes, funded through taxing authority Staff would provide tech. support to cities/County 	 State legislative approval Require vote for funding May be challenging to align with existing funding structures 	Sound Transit
Option 2 Regional Committee (Standards & Incentives)	A regional committee empowered to set land use standards for cities/County with ability to incentivize cities/County to meet standards	 Set goals/create regional plan Set land use standards to maximize affordable housing Implement standards by incentives Engage stakeholders Develop public engagement plans Monitor progress toward goals 	 Electeds Could include stakeholders 	• Yes, funding TBD	 Charter amendment or other action Unclear how incentives would work Enhanced staffing 	PSRC/Transporation Policy Board Board of Health

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Option 3 Expanded Role for the Growth Management Planning Council (Subcommittee)	Create a standing committee/Task Force to recommend policy actions to the GMPC for adoption	 Set goals/create regional plan Set land use policies (policies implemented by local jurisdictions) Engage stakeholders Develop public engagement plan Monitor progress toward goals Regularly review best practices 	 Members of GMPC King County, Seattle, Bellevue (1/2 vote), SCA (3 votes) Could include stakeholders 	 Yes, existing GMPC staff provided by participating members Would need additional dedicated staff, funding TBD 	 Action by GMPC to create subcommittee Enhanced staffing 	School Siting Task Force of GMPC
Option 4 Voluntary ILA/MOU	Create an ILA or MOU for jurisdictions to sign committing to implementing RAH recommendations	 Set goals/create plan for participating jurisdictions Coordinate and attempt to harmonize jurisdictional approaches Engage stakeholders Develop public engagement plans Monitor progress toward goals 	 Electeds Could include stakeholders 	• Yes, funding TBD	 Draft ILA/MOU City and County adoption Enhanced staffing 	King County Cities Climate Collboration (K4C) Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs)