

Snohomish County Tomorrow

A GROWTH MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL



COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Thursday, March 18, 2121

Via Zoom

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

MINUTES

Participating Jurisdictions/Members:

Alice Armstrong	Snohomish
Isaac Harrison	Mountlake Terrace
Heidi Johnson	Snohomish
Phil Lovell	Edmonds, Co-chair
Hillary Moralez	Unincorporated Bothell, Co-chair
Katherine Nesse	Edmonds
Tony Niolu	Maltby Area
Bruce Overstreet	Everett
Norene Pen	Mill Creek area
Jeanine SanClemente	Maltby Area

Other Attendees/Presenters:

Glynis Casey	Naval Station Everett
Michelle Stewart	CAB Applicant
Hilary McGowan	Snohomish County PDS
Amber Piona	Snohomish County PDS
Steve Toy	Snohomish County PDS
Janet Wright	Snohomish County PDS
Cynthia Pruitt	SCT Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Co-chair Hillary Moralez.

2. Roll Call

Roll call was taken, with attendees as listed above.

3. Action Items

a. Approval of minutes (1-21-21)

Phil Lovell moved, and Alice Armstrong seconded a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. Confirm CAB representative to the April 28, 2021, Steering Committee meeting and April 8th Planning Advisory Committee meeting

Phil Lovell volunteered to be the CAB representative at the April 28, 2021, Steering Committee meeting.

Hillary Moralez will attend the April 8, 2021, PAC meeting.

c. CAB Report on CPPs to Steering Committee

The members agreed to add a few sentences to the report on the differing views on growth in UGAs and accompanying transportation systems. Tony Niolu agreed to draft something representing his view and Norene Pen agreed to draft something reflecting his. Ms. Pruitt agreed to add this text to the report and then send it out for the CAB members to confirm.

4. Discussion Items

a. PDS Long Range Planning Public Engagement Strategy

Hilary McGowan, Amber Piona and Janet Wright explained the outreach strategy that will be used in updating the county's comprehensive plan. CAB members' questions included:

- Is it realistic to assume an increase in population of 275,000 given the pandemic's consequences and the fact that Boeing is reducing their workforce?
- Does the strategy recognize that people are moving out of cities?
- Have the public engagement tactics changed with the pandemic?
- How is the team reaching out to under-represented communities?
- Can the team who is reaching out to marginalized communities get training, so the venue seems "friendly" to those communities?
- What are ways to reach out to the 7.8% of the county who do not speak English well?
- This strategy tries to bring diverse populations into an outreach strategy that may be familiar to us but not to them. How can we learn how to become part of their familiar environment?
- If staff does not have these skills can consultants be brought in or can people be hired from these diverse communities to [help design the strategy]?

b. Buildable Lands Report (BLR)

Steve Toy summarized the methodology report that the CAB discussed last year as well as summarized some of the early findings about land availability in the county.

The members asked about the relation between the BLR and the framework categorizing cities by size. They also asked about the possibility of UGA expansions. At their request Mr. Toy described the current housing market and described what would happen if some cities exceeded their population targets or fell short of them.

c. Density Models

The members discussed their intent to address the challenge of new densities and more traffic in both the transit communities on the Sound Transit corridor and in the UGAs.

They agreed that defining and improving quality of life is implicit in that intent. Ways they would approach the challenge include:

- Meet with developers to understand their process
- Pay attention to the things that improve quality of life in developments, in cities, and the county (e.g. parks)
- Deliver the results of this work to the SCT Steering Committee

d. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Pruitt reminded members about the required training and to use county email addresses.

5. Discussion of Future Agenda items

Not discussed at this time.

6. Next Meeting Dates

a. Steering Committee: Wednesday, April 28, 2021

b. Community Advisory Board: May 20, 2021

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm by Co-chair, Hillary Moralez.