

MINUTES OF MEETING – November 3, 2025

The monthly regular meeting of the GMVUAC held at the Maple Valley Fire Station and virtually via Zoom was called to order by Buchanan at approximately 7:11 PM on Monday, November 3, 2025.

Roll Call: Present: Hiester, Rimbos, Buchanan, Harvey, Neuner, Haynes, and Hansen.

Absent, But with Designated Proxy: Iverson - proxy Rimbos (Only for the Thank You Letter).

Absent: N/A

Resignation: N/A

Logistics Note: The meeting was held in person and virtually over Zoom.

Agenda Items:

Addition agenda item:

- Rimbos: Add Thank you Letter to Council Business.
- Harvey: Cedar River Water and Sewer Commissioner—Not going to add to the agenda at this time.

Motion: Hansen- Move to approve agenda as amended. Second: Neuner, Approved – All.

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1. Public Comments (7:21):
 - Val Paganelli: Applaud the GMVUAC on the Train show, appreciated being a part of it.
 - Joey Carson: Seconded Val Paganelli’s comment.

 2. Guest Speaker — Grace Georgitsis – Hopelink (7:24):
 - Grace Georgitsis: South King County Mobility Coordinator.
 - Rural Transportation Advocacy Program.
 - Hopelink operates throughout King County.
 - Mobility Management:
 - Provides education and resources.
 - Support special needs transportation.
 - Gathers data.
 - Grace works on Education and Coalition work.
 - Bi-Monthly coalition meetings.
 - Weekly Newsletter.
 - Projects and Partnerships.
 - Rural Transportation Advocacy Program.
 - Purpose is to find more “partners” in the rural area.
 - National Rural Transit Assistance Program provides funding.
 - In partnership with the King County and Snoqualmie Valley Mobility Coalition.

- Project Objectives:
 - Education and Networking Event in South King County would be in August, 2026.
 - Another event in March, 2026.
 - Online Resources:
 - Information on how to effectively advocate.
 - Outreach Material:
 - To help draw people to the online resources.
 - Buchanan will take the lead and work with Grace.
 - Will set up a zoom meeting to brainstorm ideas.
 - Looking for what would be most useful for people looking for advocacy.
 - Will schedule zoom meeting after Grace meets with EPCA.
3. GMV/CR CSA Subarea Plan — Susan McLain (8:06):
- Susan McLain Thank you for your input, ideas, feedback, information, and support.
 - Project updates:
 - Staff update:
 - Lara Thomas- Long Range Planning Manager.
 - Overseeing Sub-Area Planning.
 - Project Timeframe:
 - Preliminary Plan—January-February, 2026.
 - Public Review Draft—June, 2026.
 - Final Plan—December, 2026.
 - KC Council Legislative Process—2027.
 - Discussion of Zoning and Land Use topics:
 - Rural Neighborhood Commercial Center:
 - Examples:
 - 216th and Maple Valley Highway.
 - Hobart.
 - Ravensdale.
 - Kanaskat.
 - Kangley.
 - Kanaskat:
 - Couple Parcels Zoned NB.
 - There is a Tavern that looks like it is a residence.
 - Current owners are moving and looking to sell.
 - Kangley:
 - Used to be a store, now it seems like it's a residence.
 - Do we know why or why not this should stay NB?
 - NB Zoned- Maple Valley Highway and 196th.

Council Business (8:58)

1. Additional Comments- Reserve Silica Permit Application:
 - Rimbo:

- At the end of September, 2025, we submitted comments.
 - Permitting said we could continue to submit comments.
 - On October 16, 2025, more comments were submitted.
2. CAO Update Final Comments:
- Rimbos:
 - Comprehensive Plan was approved last December.
 - The CAO Update was allowed to be extended to the end of 2025.
 - Joint Team submitted final comments to the KC Council on October 16, 2025.
 - We all have copies/ posted on our website.
3. Planning Schedule Changes:
- Rimbos:
 - Letter sent out to support the schedule change in the Sub-Area Plan.
4. Asphalt Plant Letter:
- Rimbos:
 - Should we send Reagan Dunn thanking him for reaching an amicable solution on the proposed Asphalt Plant?
 - This was discussed.
 - Decided to write a letter to send to all three parties—Reagan Dunn, Lakeside, Save the Cedar River.
 - Please have everyone send Rimbos suggestions on the letter and we can vote next meeting.
5. Train Show Review:
- Buchanan:
 - Around 700 people attended.
 - Buchanan would like to have more Area Councils come to our events and we would like to attend other UAC events.
 - Lots of conversations at the front desk.
 - Train Show went well, with above average turnout.
 - 2-3 new train groups interested in coming next year.

Updates to Committee Reports:

Executive: N/A

PR: N/A

Joint Team: N/A

Growth Management: N/A

Environment: N/A

Transportation: N/A

Buchanan adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:45 PM.

Minutes by Hansen.