

## MINUTES OF MEETING – September 8, 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 7:13 PM on Monday, September 8, 2025.

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

Absent, But with Designated Proxy: N/A

Absent: Hiester

Resignation: N/A

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

Agenda Items:

Addition agenda item:

- Iverson—Moment of silence for the 24<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 9/11.

Motion: Rimbos- Move to approve agenda. Second: Harvey, Approved – All.

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### 1. Public Comments:

- Tim O'Brien:
  - EPCA is trying to represent the area effected by the bridge issues.
  - EPCA is at the Enumclaw city council asking to be included.
  - Not getting included by King County.
  - They are state bridges—WSDOT.
  - There are a lot of jurisdictions that are working together but they are not including the community.

### 2. Sub-Area Planning—Kaitlin Harris, Susan Mclain – Sub-Area planners (7:29):

- Objectives:
  - Staffing updates.
  - Project updates.
    - Status of the GMV/CR Sub-Area planning process.
  - Q+A
- Staffing Updates:
  - New staff:
    - Colin Poff- Long-Range Planner- Going to be working on the Fairwood Sub-Area Plan.
    - Becka Johnson-Chief Admin Officer.
  - Existing Staff:

- Kaitlin is going to be on leave (November, 2025-June 2026).
    - Susan is new Long-Range Planner (Now effective).
  - Recruitment is live for Strategic Planning Manager position.
  - Long-Range Planners are Sub-Area Planners but they work in Permitting, they make sure codes align with long-term goals.
  - Will be seven Long-Range Planners.
- Project update:
  - PRR Consulting firm has been contracted.
  - Progress on ongoing work:
    - SEPA.
    - EIS.
    - Land use and zoning map amendments.
    - Sub-Area Plan Draft.
  - Proposed six-month transmittal delay.
    - Lot of turn-over/staff change.
    - Current deadline is June, 2026.
    - Proposal would push it back to December, 2026.
- Schedule:
  - Pre-Planning Phase: January-June, 2024.
  - Community Scoping Phase: July-October, 2024.
  - Preliminary Planning: November, 2024- Fall of 2025 (Proposed Winter of 2025).
  - Public Review Draft: November-December, 2025 (Proposed Summer of 2026).
  - Transmittal June, 2026 (Proposed December, 2026).
  - Will be opportunities to comment on the Preliminary Plan and SEPA in early 2026.
  - Planning on having another meeting in January, 2026 and Summer of 2026 at the Hobart Community Church.
  - The Area Council, while it understands the limitations put on county staff, expressed concerns about ensuring the GMV/CR CSA Subarea Plan work is completed to the community's satisfaction, as well as there being sufficient staff to review all the community's Public Comments. Susan and Kaitlin understood such concerns.

#### Council Business (8:17)

1. Black Diamond Days (8:17):
  - Buchanan:
  - Hiester and Buchanan volunteered to help the ECPA man their booth at the Black Diamond Days.
  - Buchanan was impressed with the materials the ECPA had.
  - Lots of people took interest.
  
2. Train Show (8:26):
  - Buchanan:
  - Train Show needs volunteers.

- Hansen is doing overnight security.
- Buchanan will send out volunteer sign up sheet.
- October 18, 2025-October 19, 2025, 10:00am to 5:00pm Saturday and 10:00am to 4:00pm on Sunday.
- Most Train Show clubs have said they will be there.
- Buchanan is getting items for the silent auction.
- Hiester is going to test all the items before the show.
- Buchanan is asking a friend to come do face painting- would be an additional charge.

Updates to Committee Reports (8:36):

Executive: N/A

PR:

- PR Committee.
- Hiester may have found someone to help with the website, he will be looking into this further.
- Tom Marsland may be able to help with our website.

Joint Team: N/A

Growth Management: N/A

Environment:

- Environmental Committee is planning on scheduling a meeting in October, 2025.

Transportation:

- Transportation Committee had a JTI meeting in August, 2025.
- Harvey sent out the Meeting Minutes.

Buchanan adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:24 PM.

Minutes by Hansen.