South Sound Alliance Meeting Summary  
October 12, 2017

Key discussion items:
- Adoption of the Vision-Mission statement
  - The South Sound Alliance (SSA) is a leadership council consisting of Pierce and South King County cities and towns together with public and private organizations that pursue data-driven collaborative strategies leading to healthier communities, an improved environment, and an innovative and thriving economy. The Alliance is supported by the University of Washington Tacoma Urban Studies Program.
- Sub-group Chair Reports
  - Live 2 Work, Play, Dream (Milt Tremblay, chair)
    - The starting point for coordination and collaboration is the ability to qualify and quantify what each player brings to the field. Having access to the Quality of Life indicators presented at last months’ SSA meeting could be the start of our self-analysis. Request: UWT’s Urban Studies program compile and share these indicators with members of the Alliance as the starting point for building a team that is much more than the sum of the parts.
    - Developing communications around signature events
    - Next L2WPD meeting is November 30th @ 7 Seas Brewery & Tap Room.
  - Land Use & Planning (David Boe reported)
    - Requests derived from meeting:
      1. Boundary mapping
      2. Employment Density
- Initiatives
  - Zoning education
    - Next steps: 1. Daren Crabill will reach out to PSRC to obtain the maps/zoning.
      2. Educational process – This will take place at a future meeting.
- Group exercise – Quality of life indicators

Current and Forthcoming Information:
- SSA Participating Cities Urban and Regional Profiles
  - Currently online: Auburn, Sumner, Puyallup, Kent, Gig Harbor, University Place, Maple Valley, Tacoma, Pierce County.
  - Eventually will have a single regional profile for Pierce & South King County
- Forthcoming
  - Census data will be updated one city at a time when it becomes available. Likely throughout the Autumn / Winter.
- Information requests
  - Quality of life index
  - Boundary mapping
  - Employment Density

For next time
- Assignment 1. – Write a short description of how and why your zoning maps are done the way they are done. Come prepared to talk about How and Why.
- Assignment 2 – Complete the Quality of Life Indicator questionnaire by Monday, November 6th at 4:00pm. Check your email for the link.
Think about how you want to be measured. Do you want to be measured against yourself? Each other? The region? The South Sound?

- Sub-group reports

**Meeting schedule**
- November 9th location: Metro Parks, Titlow Lodge, 8425 6th Ave. Tacoma, WA 98465 (Register via the SSA website link)
- December 14th location TBD (Please let Carly and I know if you are able to host)