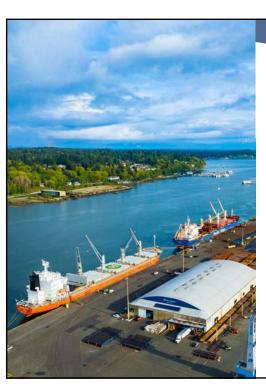


Port of Olympia Citizens Advisory Committee (POCAC) Briefing Economic Development Subcommittee 2025 Work Plan

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2025 Work Plan

Originally presented at the March 24, 2025, Commission Meeting

- 1. Develop Charter for Subcommittee.
- 2. Investigate opportunities to diversify Marine Terminal operations.
- 3. Explore potential for passenger ferry service.
- 4. Research opportunities to increase the community and economic value of the Olympia Regional Airport.
- 5. Review past POCAC reports for alignment with Commission priorities, and update when valuable to do so.

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Work Plan Item #1

Develop a Charter for the Subcommittee

- Helps clarify focus and decision-making practices for subcommittee.
- Identifies purpose and objectives.
- Articulates Authority and Scope.
- Communicates potential need for resources.



Work Plan Item #2

Investigate Opportunities to Diversify Marine Terminal Operations

Vision 2050 Alignment:

- Goal #1
 - Preserve and enhance Thurston County's working waterfront and connection to global trade by diversifying Marine Terminal operations, improving communication, and securing community support

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Work Plan Item #3

Explore Potential for Passenger Ferry Service

Vision 2050 Alignment:

- Goal #5
 - Explore the potential for the Port to serve as a cruise ship destination and regional commuter node.
 - Action Items:
 - #26: Continue to track State-led ferry service studies and evaluate the feasibility of the Port's potential role as the southernmost passenger terminal in South Puget Sound.
 - #27: Evaluate the feasibility of establishing a "Mosquito Fleet" water taxi system that provides limited-scale transportation service for commuters throughout South Puget Sound south of Tacoma.

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Work Plan Item #4

Research Opportunities to Increase the Community and Economic Value of the Olympia Regional Airport

Vision 2050 Alignment:

- Goal #6
 - Maximize the economic and community value of the Olympia Regional Airport in accordance with FAA Master Plan regulations.

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Work Plan Item #5

Review Past POCAC Reports for Alignment with Commission Priorities, and Update when Valuable to do so

- Example of POCAC reports that could be updated:
 - 2019 EV Charger Report
 - 2019 Community Solar Report
 - 2019 Shore Power Report

Vision 2050 Alignment:

- Goal #7
 - Emphasize sustainability in all planning and actions and provide regular updates to the community.
- Goal #4
 - Leverage the Port's unique statutory authority to catalyze economic opportunities in partnership with local jurisdictions and economic development organizations.



