

**From:** Aj Foltz <AJ@SoundCities.org> **GMHB EXHIBIT 277**  
**Sent time:** 2024/08/30 12:02:00 PM  
**To:** Salim Nice  
**Cc:** David Hoffman <David@SoundCities.org>; Kelli Curtis <kcurtis@kirklandwa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: SCA GMPC sync

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Good afternoon Mayor Nice,

I hope this email finds you well! Here are some key points from our meeting yesterday with regard to your original question. I am happy to meet this afternoon if you have additional questions.

Councilmember Falcone and Council President Walsh had some key insights into AHC's authority over the review process:

- AHC's authority in providing recommendations to jurisdictions is intended to help them secure funding later in the Comp Plan review process, specifically when the plans are reviewed by PSRC and the Department of Commerce. The December 5<sup>th</sup> letters (to jurisdictions that did not submit their plans for review) are intended to state that the jurisdictions are not in compliance with AHC's review process; therefore, the letters serve as a notice that jurisdictions may have trouble securing funding for their plans down the line.
  - Notably, although the language in the CPPs doesn't directly require that jurisdictions implement AHC's feedback, it is strongly encouraged in order to secure funding. Jurisdictions have been aware of this process for a few years, and it is expected that they participate, which will only help in the long run.
- GMPC's role is as stated previously – GMPC can request to review AHC's recommendations, and AHC can request that GMPC review their recommendations as well. This is not a required part of the review process. GMPC will be more involved in the reconciliation process later down the line.

Mayor Curtis, please let me know if I have misunderstood any part of our conversation. Mayor Nice, I hope this information is helpful.

Thank you, and I hope you have a restful Labor Day weekend.

Best regards,  
Aj Foltz

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**From:** Salim Nice <salim.nice@mercerisland.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 29, 2024 11:39 AM  
**To:** Aj Foltz <AJ@SoundCities.org>; David Hoffman <David@SoundCities.org>; Kelli Curtis <kcurtis@kirklandwa.gov>  
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Looks like I won't be able to make it. AJ, thanks for the offer to catch me up. I'm available this afternoon if that helps.

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**From:** Aj Foltz <[AJ@SoundCities.org](mailto:AJ@SoundCities.org)>  
**Date:** Thursday, August 29, 2024 at 10:54 AM  
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Good morning Mayor Nice,

Just to clear this up, I will be attending the lunch meeting today. I'm not sure why it says I haven't accepted the meeting invitation.

I am happy to follow up with notes on our conversation if you are unable to come today. Thank you!

Aj Foltz

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**Sent:** Thursday, August 29, 2024 9:59 AM

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I'm trying to move meetings around. There is a chance I won't make this meeting, and I see AJ and Kelli haven't accepted the invite. Apologies if I can't make it.

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**From:** [David@SoundCities.org](mailto:David@SoundCities.org)

**When:** 11:45 AM - 1:00 PM August 29, 2024

**Subject:** SCA GMPC sync

**Location:** Cactus Restaurant (121 Park Ln, Kirkland, WA 98033, United States)