

Mayor's Roundtable Common Actions and Priorities

GOAL RELATED TO RELATIONS WITH THE AIRPORT: To establish and maintain cooperative efforts that will assure a sustainable positive future for both the Airport and all four neighboring cities (Burien, Des Moines, Normandy Park, and SeaTac). A sustainable positive future includes ensuring that four cities survive and flourish consequent to the long-term growth and operation of the Airport.

*What does this mean? Airport will grow
Is there a way for growth that can benefit cities?*

Action 1: Focus on connectivity to the regional transportation grid, connectivity and access to the neighboring cities and on the impacts of change and growth in all four directions from the Airport.

Action 2: Focus on connectivity and access to the storm water and surface water systems of the neighboring cities and on the impacts of change and growth downstream from the Airport.

Action 3: Focus on win-win economic development strategy that enables the cities around the Airport and Port of Seattle to thrive, that help to achieve local city program initiatives, that foster the Port's Century Agenda, and that promote the economic development requirements of Chapter 53 RCW.

Action 4: Focus on working to cooperatively identify mitigation to local impacts of Airport growth and operational changes, so that the four cities and Port can jointly focus on protecting the environment, on enhancing local communities and businesses, on supporting residents and visitors, and on achieving the other Actions, while avoiding litigation. This means, in part, respecting wildlife, plants, trees and humans throughout the ecology of the airport and its surrounding neighbors.

Similarly, it means avoiding excess in regard to airport operations, especially as it regards the health of human and non-human populations. This may involve Port of Seattle, FAA and municipal policy changes, which need to express quality of life issues as part of airport operational considerations. Working cooperatively means that Port of Seattle, FAA and neighboring cities have an obligation to directly participate in the attempt to implement necessary changes.