

PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 2 OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON
VERDANT HEALTH COMMISSION

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Special Meeting

Hybrid: In-Person at Hilton Garden Inn and via Zoom

January 21, 2025

4:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

**Commissioners
Present**

Carolyn Brennan, Secretary
Deana Knutsen, Commissioner
Jim Distelhorst, MD, Commissioner
Bob Knowles, Commissioner
Karianna Wilson, President

Staff

Dr. Lisa Edwards, Superintendent

Guests

Margot Helphand, Board Facilitator

Call to Order

The special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Public Hospital District No. 2, Snohomish County, was called to order at 4:34 p.m. by President Wilson.

**Review and
Revise 2025-2028
Strategic Plan**

Commissioners reviewed a draft of the 2025-2028 strategic plan from the December 4th, 2024, planning meeting. After discussion about priorities, a majority of the commissioners recommended two funding priorities for 2026: Child and Adolescent Mental Health and Access to Direct Healthcare Services.

After further discussion commissioners recommended adoption of the language- Verdant will identify community needs and contract directly with agencies that specifically address those needs. This will apply to other Verdant sponsored projects that are important but do not closely align with the 2026 funding priorities.

**Set Timeline and
Plan for Roll Out
of Strategic Plan**

Commissioners recommended adoption of the strategic plan at the January 29th board meeting and directed the Superintendent to work with the Verdant team to create a realistic calendar for the 2026 funding cycle and share that with commissioners at the February 2025 committee meetings. 2026 priorities will be announced to the community in March 2025.

The board also discussed community convenings around priority areas that are more in depth than Verdant Partner Roundtable conversations. There was discussion around positioning Verdant

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as a convener to bring key partners together to develop systemic solutions that impact our priorities.

The Verdant team will do research and bring this information back to the Executive Committee and then the commissioners at the March committee meetings.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. by President Wilson.

ATTEST BY:

Signed by:
Karianna Wilson
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President

Signed by:
Carolyn Brennan
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Secretary