

Transit Advisory Commission

MEETING AGENDA November 20, 2018 King Street Center, Metro GM Conference Room, 4th Floor

201 South Jackson St., Seattle 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Call in option: 206-263-8114

PIN: 158316

- 6:00 p.m. Welcome and introductions
- 6:05 p.m. North Eastside Mobility Project Outreach update and next steps – Jenna Franklin and Grace Carlson
- 6:20 p.m. Approve minutes/Letter discussion Approve meeting minutes for March to October Discuss sending letter to Council
- 6:30 p.m. Equity and Social Justice training DeAnna Martin and Lorrie Alfonsi
- 7:45 p.m. Adjourn



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Meeting Minutes Nov. 20, 2018 King Street Center, Metro GM Conference Room, 4th Floor 201 South Jackson, Seattle 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Commission members present: David Johnson, Steve Ferreira, Gale Shinozaki, Peter Rubin, Cheryl Harrison, Preston Sahabu, Lei Wu, Angela Theriault, Ayan Mohamed, Cristal Peña, Bobby Wooten

Members of the public: Scott Hayman (North Eastside Mobility Project – member of Mobility Board)

Staff: Lorrie Alfonsi (Accessible Services), DeAnna Martin (Public and Employee Engagement Manager), Cindy (Community Relations), Jenna Franklin (Community Relations), Grace Carlson (Service Planning)

North Eastside Mobility Project update

Jenna Franklin and Grace Carlson gave an update on the North Eastside Mobility Project, which concluded its final phase of outreach in mid-November.

Scott Hayman, a Kirkland resident who served on the Mobility Board, introduced himself. He explained the role of the mobility board and expressed his support for the proposed changes of the North Eastside Mobility Project.

Jenna explained the outreach process and went over several of the survey questions and results with the group. Grace confirmed that reliability, dependability were the key traits that communities expressed as their top priority for transit.

The proposed changes will create more transfers for people, but introduce more time savings for riders by increasing frequency. Metro will now analyze the data, write up a public engagement report and finalize a recommendation based on public input.

Metro will be conducting more of these mobility projects and major service restructures in the near future. These projects involve a level of complexity that could use the TAC's feedback to help inform how Metro can better illustrate and educate people on the proposals.

Letter to County Council

Members present came to a consensus to send the letter drafted in November to King County Council about the 2019-2020 biennial budget. Despite missing the deadline to send the letter before County Council passed the budget on Nov. 13, the commission members present agreed to send the letter with slight revisions to Council.

Equity and Social Justice training

DeAnna Martin and Lorrie Alfonsi facilitated the Equity and Social Justice Training for the commission. The training covered:



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- Explain the concepts of equity and inequity and the ways in which they are measured.
- Become more familiar with the disparity in opportunities to thrive and the connection to race and racism in the U.S. and King County.
- Describe King County's strategy and goals to foster equity and social justice.

• Consider how commission members can advance equity as a King County commission. The group discussed how they could advance equity and social justice as a commission.

- Training bus drivers to be more sensitive about working with people with disabilities.
 - Staff noted that when people call in with complaints or commendations, the information is recorded and discussed with the operator.
- Everyone at Metro has to take the training and how those are incorporated
- Engage with people who do not necessarily see the need for equity and social justice in the public sector. Metro and the TAC can help bridge the gap by starting to raise people's awareness of inequities and teaching people the same vocabulary and history
- Better understanding of the difference between mobility and transportation, and the connection to gentrification. Bike lanes and bike paths now exist in areas that never had them before.
 - Metro is developing programs dedicated to building a mobility framework about how to make decisions based in equity.
 - Council asked Metro to report on the development of this mobility framework. Partnerships with local jurisdictions will be important.
 - Some jurisdictions have means, others will not be able to execute this mobility options

Action items

- Send letter with revisions to King County Council members – Cindy (staff liaison)