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The Honorable Claudia Balducci
Chair, King County Council
Room 1200
C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Balducci:

This letter transmits the reimagining transit safety and security implementation report, as called for by Ordinance 19210, Section 113, Proviso P5 and a proposed Motion that would, if enacted, approve the report.

In 2020, I declared racism as a public health crisis and reaffirmed the County's commitment to becoming an anti-racist and pro-equity organization. Also in 2020, Metro strengthened its commitment to equity and began exploring new approaches to working with communities. Metro sought to deepen relationships to advance safety, equity, and inclusion, and center the voices of and input from Black, Indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC) communities that transit enforcement systems have most negatively impacted.

As required, the enclosed implementation report includes description of proposed initial concepts. These concepts support a community vision of a safe and welcoming Metro, and were co-created with internal and external community members and stakeholders.

To prepare this implementation report, Metro executed a robust engagement process with employees and community stakeholders, working with over a dozen community organizations. Individual stakeholder interviews and focus groups were conducted with external partners and with Metro employees. Co-creating this implementation report was critical to the community engagement process as it helped create ownership of the process.

The report furthers the mobility goal of the King County Strategic Plan to deliver a safe, reliable, and seamless network of transportation options to get people and goods where they need to go, when they need to get there.

It is estimated that the report required 400 staff hours to produce, costing approximately \$29,000. The estimated printing cost for this report is nominal.

The Honorable Claudia Balducci

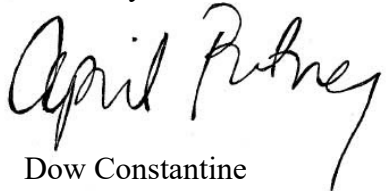
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Thank you for your consideration of this report and proposed Motion. The important work discussed in the report will help advance Metro transit department to becoming an anti-racist mobility agency.

If your staff have any questions, please contact Diane Carlson, Metro Transit Department, at 206-263-9631.

Sincerely,

 for

Dow Constantine
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Enclosure

cc: King County Councilmembers
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