## STAFF REPORT

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| **Agenda Items:** | 5-11 | **Name:** | Mary Bourguignon |
| **Proposed No**.: | 2018-0426 2018-0428 2018-0431 2018-0432 2018-0433 2018-0436 2018-0452 | **Date:** | December 5, 2018 |

**SUBJECT**

Proposed Motions 2018-0426, 2018-0428, 2018-0431, 2018-0432, 2018-0433, 2018-0436, and 2018-0452 would confirm the appointments of Min Cho, ChrisTiana ObeySumner, Bobby Wooten, Steve Ferreira, Linwood Robinson, Angela Theriault, and Anthony Pagliocco to the King County Transit Advisory Commission (TAC).

**BACKGROUND**

The Transit Advisory Commission (TAC) is a permanent group that is established in the King County Code[[1]](#footnote-1) to advise Metro Transit, the Executive, the Council, local jurisdictions, and the subarea transportation forums on transit issues and policy, including matters of concern to the elderly and persons with disabilities, as well as major planning exercises such as service changes and long-range planning efforts. The TAC also serves as a resource for transit promotion.

The TAC is to have 18 members who are appointed by the Executive and confirmed by the Council. Members are to include:

* Nine members who are transit riders, recruited by Metro Transit to reflect the diversity and geographic distribution of County residents; and
* Nine members who are either seniors or persons with disabilities or who represent agencies that serve those group, recruited by Metro Transit to reflect the diversity of the communities they represents, types of disabilities, and geographic distribution of County residents.

The TAC develops an annual work plan and meets regularly to address that work plan. In addition the TAC designates one member to each sounding board[[2]](#footnote-2) that is convened to consider specific transit topics.

**Appointee Min Cho.** Proposed Motion 2018-0426 would confirm the appointment of Min Cho to the TAC for a partial term to expire on August 31, 2019.

Ms. Wu is a resident of Council District 1. Since 2012, she has been employed at Open Doors for Multicultural Families in Kent, which provides culturally and linguistically relevant information, services, and programming to culturally and linguistically diverse families of persons with developmental and intellectual disabilities.

Ms. Cho notes that her interest in serving on the TAC is that public transportation services should be more accessible. She notes that after serving individuals with disabilities using public transportation through Open Doors for Multicultural Families, she is familiar with the challenges they face.

**Appointee ChrisTiana ObeySumner.** Proposed Motion 2018-0428 would confirm the appointment of ChrisTiana ObeySumner to the TAC for a two-year term to expire on August 31, 2020.

ChrisTiana ObeySumner is a resident of District 4. They are self-employed as a social equity consultant at Epiphanies of Equity, and are in the process of working toward a Masters of Public Administration at Seattle University. They are currently the Co-chair of the Seattle Commission for People with disAbilities, and the Chair of that commission’s Housing Committee, as well as a member of the Seattle Renters’ Commission.

They note their interest in serving on the TAC as advocating for “equitable and enjoyable access for all individuals as a transit rider myself.”

**Appointee Bobby Wooten.** Proposed Motion 2018-0431 would confirm the appointment of Bobby Wooten to the TAC for a partial term to expire on August 31, 2019.

Bobby Wooten is a resident of District 9, who is not currently employed but has experience as a Boeing loaned executive with the United Way and has been using Metro Transit since 2002 as a disabled rider, an area of interest for work on the commission.

**Appointee Steve Ferreira.** Proposed Motion 2018-0432 would confirm the appointment of Steve Ferreira to the TAC for a two-year term to expire on August 31, 2020.

Steve Ferreira is a resident of District 9, who is the Executive Director of Beyond Disabilities, which aims to educate the community that people with disabilities are capable of many accomplishments. Mr. Ferreira is a past member of the Seattle Commission for People with disAbilities and a current member of the Board for The Arc of King County. Of his interest in serving on the TAC, Mr. Ferreira has identified as priority areas: broken ramps, the need to educate drivers on disability awareness, and protocols for picking up wheelchair riders.

**Appointee Linwood Robinson.** Proposed Motion 2018-0433 would confirm the appointment of Linwood Robinson to the TAC for a partial term to expire on August 31, 2019.

Linwood Robinson is a resident of District 7 who is employed by the National Weather Service and is a veteran of the United States Air Force. Mr. Robinson notes that he “would like the opportunity to have a say in the future of transportation in the region as it grows. The region is unique compared to most metropolitan areas because of the surrounding waterways and helping to make the program effective is interesting to me.”

**Appointee Angela Theriault.** Proposed Motion 2018-0436 would confirm the appointment of Angela Theriault to the TAC for a partial term to expire on August 31, 2019.

Angela Theriault is a resident of District 1 who is the Executive Director of the DeafBlind Service Center. She is a member of Washington State DeafBlind Citizens, Inc., and was the Accessibility Chair for the September 2018 Deaf Seniors of America’s 15th Biennial Conference. Ms. Theriault notes that her priority on the TAC would be on communications issues to help those who are deafblind, particularly in how to communicate with transit operators and how to get information to know when to get off the bus.

**Appointee Anthony Pagliocco.** Proposed Motion 2018-0452 would confirm the appointment of Anthony Pagliocco to the TAC for a two-year term to expire on August 31, 2020.

Anthony Pagliocco is a resident of District 7 who is employed as a Senior Digital Product Manager by Wizards of the Coast. Mr. Pagliocco serves on the City of Federal Way Ethics Board, Civil Service Commission, and Human Services Commission. He identifies his priority issues for the TAC as planning for more people moving to South King County, and well as transportation to Bellevue for technology employment; access for people with disabilities; safety at Transit Centers; and opportunities for youth to help prepare them for post high school life.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Proposed Motion 2018-0426
2. Transmittal Letter for 2018-0426
3. Proposed Motion 2018-0428
4. Transmittal Letter for 2018-0428
5. Proposed Motion 2018-0431
6. Transmittal Letter for 2018-0431
7. Proposed Motion 2018-0432
8. Transmittal Letter for 2018-0432
9. Proposed Motion 2018-0433
10. Transmittal Letter for 2018-0433
11. Proposed Motion 2018-0436
12. Transmittal Letter for 2018-0436
13. Proposed Motion 2018-0452
14. Transmittal Letter for 2018-0452

1. K.C.C. 2.124.010.B [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. K.C.C. 2.124.010.A [↑](#footnote-ref-2)