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Dear King County Council, and Members of the Regional Transit Committee,

Transportation Choices Coalition is writing today to express our continued support for the proposed policy changes shaped by the Mobility Framework, including - and perhaps most importantly - the Service Guidelines and a regional equity approach to reductions, restructures, as well as growth. Our group works regionally to improve opportunities and mobility for all people, and applauds the Mobility Framework and subsequent policy development as an example of excellent community-informed policymaking.

Therefore, we are excited to support the direction of the proposed changes we have seen so far, especially the concrete incorporation of equity and climate in all policies. We are so grateful to the work done by the Equity Cabinet and Metro staff in preparing these changes, and appreciate the Council taking on these changes this year, even while there is so much work taking place in response to COVID.

COVID has only highlighted the need to act quickly, as the disparities it has uncovered show that it's more important now than ever to center equity in our transportation system.

We urge you not to delay on these critical policy changes.

Thank you,

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