

King County

Meeting Minutes

Regional Transit Committee

Councilmembers: Dave Upthegrove, Chair Joe McDermott, Girmay Zahilay Alternate: Claudia Balducci

Sound Cities Association: Bob Baggett, Auburn; Susan Chang, Shoreline; Leanne Guier, Pacific; Kathy Hougardy, Tukwila, Vice Chair; Kim Lisk, Carnation; Ryan McIrvin, Renton; Jon Pascal, Kirkland; Jennifer Robertson, Bellevue Alternates: Jeralee Anderson, Redmond; Dave Hill, Algona; Mary Lou Pauly, Issaquah; Toni Troutner, Kent

> City of Seattle: Debora Juarez, Dan Strauss Alternate: Andrew Lewis

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3:00 PM

Wednesday, July 15, 2020

Virtual Meeting

SPECIAL MEETING

This is a joint meeting with the Mobility and Environment Committee

1. Call to Order

Chair Upthegrove called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: 13 - Mr. Baggett, Ms. Chang, Ms. Hougardy, Mr. McDermott, Mr. McIrvin, Mr. Pascal, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Robertson, Mr. Zahilay, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Pauly, Ms. Troutner and Ms. Balducci

Excused: 4 - Ms. Guier, Ms. Juarez, Ms. Lisk and Mr. Strauss

3. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>

Vice Chair Hougardy moved approval of the February 19, 2020, and June 17, 2020, meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.

4. Chair's Report

The Chair conveyed his appreciation to the Metro Transit Department employees for being on the front line during the COVID-19 pandemic, and his sympathies for the lives lost. He emphasized the important work of these public servants.

5. <u>General Manager's Report</u>

Rob Gannon, General Manager, Metro Transit Department, first spoke to the impact the pandemic has had on Metro employees. He then addressed questions that he's received from committee members. Answers included:

Metro plans to re-introduce service within Metro's service guidelines, as well as being guided by the mobility framework.

The department is working closely with partner agencies such as Sound Transit and is deeply committed to serving its customers.

Mr. Gannon addressed alternative services where route reductions are being made. Since the start of 2020, Metro has implemented five service changes compared to the usual one service change. Metro is determined to engage communities directly about upcoming changes.

Mr. Gannon commented on revenue projections, farebox recovery plans, and ridership recovery.

Mr. Gannon addressed opportunities for new revenue, including the Seattle Transportation Benefit District funding proposal and property tax. Metro's principal focus is on recovery. Its long range plan will continue to guide the department and must meet the needs of the communities it serves.

6. <u>Announcements</u>

There were no announcements.

Briefing

7. Briefing No. 2020-B0063

Updating Metro's Strategic Plan

De'Sean Quinn, Strategic Planning Manager, and Tessa McClellan, Government Relations Administrator, Metro Transit Department, briefed the committee via a PowerPoint presentation, and answered questions from the members. John Resha, Assistant General Manager for Finance and Administration, Metro Transit Department, also answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature