

# Regional Transit-Oriented Development Committee Agenda

Date: Friday, September 16, 2022 | 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Location: Remote Attendance Only** 

10:00 1. Call to Order – Committee Co-Chair

- 2. Report of the Co-Chair
- 3. Communications
- **10:15 4.** Discussion Item: Guidance for Supporting Growth in Centers and Transit Stations Areas Maggie Moore, PSRC
  - The committee will be asked to help shape a future PSRC guidance document on transportation projects that best catalyze and support growth in centers and high-capacity transit station areas.
- 11:00 5. Discussion Item: Access to Transit for the Developmentally and Intellectually Disabled (DD/ID) Community Ginger Kwan, Open Doors for Multicultural Families
  - The committee will be briefed on findings from a survey and focus groups focused on needs and how to better support the DD/ID community's transportation needs.
- 11:30 6. Discussion Item: Lessons Learned when Improving Access to Transit
  - The committee will hear from individuals involved in improving access to transit across the region.
    - City of Redmond Light Rail Accessibility Beckye Frey, Jeff Churchill
    - Kitsap Transit Long Range Plan Ed Coviello

Information Item: October 21, 2022 Regional TOD Event – Register Now!

Information Item: Passport to 2044

Next meeting: December 16, 2022

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12:00 7. Adjourn Meeting

#### Zoom connection information:

Preferred method, join online: Click here for Zoom link

#### Or to join by phone:

• Call 877-853-5257 or 888-475-4499

• Meeting ID: 834 2530 5729, Passcode: 975613

#### Other Formats:

- Sign language and communication material in alternate formats, can be arranged given sufficient notice by calling (206) 464-7090 or TTY Relay 711.
- العربية | Arabic, 中文 | Chinese, Deutsch | German, Français | French, 한국어 | Korean, Русский | Russian, Español | Spanish, Tagalog, Tiếng việt | Vietnamese, visit <a href="https://www.psrc.org/contact/language-assistance">https://www.psrc.org/contact/language-assistance</a>.



DISCUSSION ITEM September 9, 2022

TO: Regional TOD Committee

FROM: Maggie Moore, Senior Planner

SUBJECT: Guidance for Supporting Growth in Centers and Transit Stations Areas

#### **IN BRIEF**

The committee will hear from PSRC on guidance underway for developing transportation projects that support growth in high-capacity transit station areas and centers. The committee will be asked to provide feedback on this work.

#### DISCUSSION

With cities and counties engaging in their local comprehensive plan updates, PSRC is working to support those efforts and help jurisdictions implement regional goals around TOD. The Regional Growth Strategy focuses 65% of the region's population growth and 75% of job growth around regional centers and high-capacity transit station areas. These central areas are important places for future growth.

As local jurisdictions are updating their comprehensive plans, this guidance document will help to identify projects that support growth in centers and transit station areas. It can also be used to locally prioritize projects that have the most impact based on regionally desired outcomes. This document will be one of many planning resources PSRC is developing to support updates to local comprehensive plans.

#### **Desired Project Outcomes**

Committee members will be asked to provide feedback on six shared desired outcomes for transportation projects to support planned growth. These outcomes will be used in the guidance document to identify potential for transportation projects to support growth.

- Support existing and planned housing growth
- Support long-range plans, such as center plans, comprehensive plans, and transportation master plans
- Provide travel modes to achieve mode split goals and decrease SOV trips
- Improve connectivity and access to centers and/or transit station areas
- Promote economic development to support employment growth in centers and/or transit station areas
- Advance racial equity

#### **Example Projects**

There are many types of transportation projects that support the wide array of land uses in centers and transit station areas. This guidance document will help local jurisdictions evaluate projects that best support these areas and new population and employment growth. Potential transportation project types may include the following:

- Project near suburban center
- Connecting two job centers
- Connectivity project inside a center
- Transit project
- Freight supportive project

The committee will be provided with example projects and asked how these may meet the desired outcomes. The guidance document will include example projects from throughout the region to demonstrate these connections.

After the committee meeting PSRC staff will continue work on guidance. A draft will be available to committee members for review in late 2023 and provided as a resource for periodic updates to local comprehensive plans.

For more information, contact Maggie Moore at <a href="MMoore@psrc.org">MMoore@psrc.org</a>.



INFORMATION ITEM September 9, 2022

TO: Regional TOD Committee

FROM: Laura Benjamin, Principal Planner

SUBJECT: Access to Transit for the Developmentally and Intellectually Disabled (DD/ID)

Community

#### **IN BRIEF**

Ginger Kwan, Executive Director of the nonprofit organization *Open Doors for Multicultural Families* (*ODMF*), will brief the committee on findings from surveys and focus groups conducted in fall 2021 that focused on the housing needs of the developmentally and intellectually disabled (DD/ID) community and present on how access to public transportation is essential to increase quality of life for the DD/ID community, as well as how public transportation planning should include other community service development.

#### DISCUSSION

As transportation opportunities expand across the region, the needs of the DD/ID community must be considered. Access to transportation allows quality of life. While many individuals have the freedom and ability to drive, many individuals with DD/ID rely on public transportation. Public transportation isn't just an option for the DD/ID community, rather it is a necessity. Transportation becomes a means to freedom for them to access basic needs such as health care, job opportunities, education, housing, services, daily errands, social events, and more. Without equitable access to transportation, simple things such as grocery shopping become difficult. Providing transit opportunities that meet the needs of the DD/ID community will not only better open doors for them to meet their basic human needs, but allow them to better thrive in the community of their design

In fall of 2021, ODMF conducted community engagement to gather feedback from linguistically and culturally diverse individuals and families from the DD/ID community. Feedback was gathered from 543 participants from surveys and focus groups to learn of their housing and service/support needs, including transportation needs. Some of the main findings from this community engagement will be shared to highlight the needs of the DD/ID population.

For more information, contact Laura Benjamin at LBenjamin@psrc.org.



INFORMATION ITEM September 9, 2022

TO: Regional TOD Committee

FROM: Laura Benjamin, Principal Planner

**SUBJECT:** Lessons Learned When Improving Access to Transit

#### **IN BRIEF**

The committee will hear from City of Redmond and Kitsap Transit staff about their respective work to improve access to transit.

#### **DISCUSSION**

This is a standing "Lessons Learned" agenda item to hear from people working to create and sustain equitable transit communities. Committee members will learn about the work that others are doing, including what is going well and considered a best practice as well as what has not gone according to plan and areas for improvement.

At the September meeting the committee will hear from staff from the City of Redmond and Kitsap Transit staff about their respective work to improve access to transit.

For more information, contact Laura Benjamin at LBenjamin@psrc.org.



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2022

## PART 1

**9:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.** Zoom — Virtual Panels

## PART 2

1:30 p.m. — 3:30 p.m. In Person Walking Tours

The region is growing and making historic investments in transit, with over one million new residents expected to live near high-capacity transit by 2050. Join industry and community leaders to explore innovative techniques and best practices to build and sustain equitable transit communities that are accessible to all people and help to achieve the region's vision for growth.

Free to attend. Online registration is now open.





## **PASSPORT TO 2044:**

### Comprehensive Plan Workshop Series

#### **REGISTER NOW!**



All event registrations can be found on PSRC's website



Events will be online via Zoom and recorded

Join us for online workshops on topic areas for the comprehensive plan periodic updates. Scheduled events include:

- ► Transportation | Tuesday, October 18, 2022 | 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- ► Housing | Wednesday, October 26, 2022 | 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- ► Equity | Tuesday, November 8, 2022 | 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- ▶ TOD and Centers | Tuesday, December 13, 2022 | 10 a.m. 12 p.m.

Other upcoming events with more information coming soon:

- Coordination with Tribes
- Planning for Critical Areas
- **▶** Elected Officials and Planning Commissioners

Sign up to be on the list for information on upcoming events and resources here.

Find presentations and recordings from past sessions, including the series kick-off, climate, and economic development on <u>PSRC's website</u>.

Questions? Contact Maggie Moore at <a href="mmoore@psrc.org">mmoore@psrc.org</a>



The primary audience for these workshops are the planners, consultants, and staff most involved with comprehensive planning, but elected officials, planning commissioners, and others with a role in the upcoming comprehensive plan updates are also welcome to attend.







