

Regional Specialized Transportation- related Terminology

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Today...

- Review committee discussion in March
- Reach consensus and confirm the Regional Specialized Transportation terminology



Background

- PSRC received feedback to consider revising the current terminology used in the RTP/Coordinated Mobility Plan
- To use more current and universally accepted terminology for PSRC plans, reports, and presentation materials



Committee Discussion In March

Which term do you recommend PSRC use to describe the priority populations covered in the plan?

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People with special transportation needs*



People with mobility challenges



People with accessibility and mobility needs

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Traditionally underserved communities

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Communities of concern

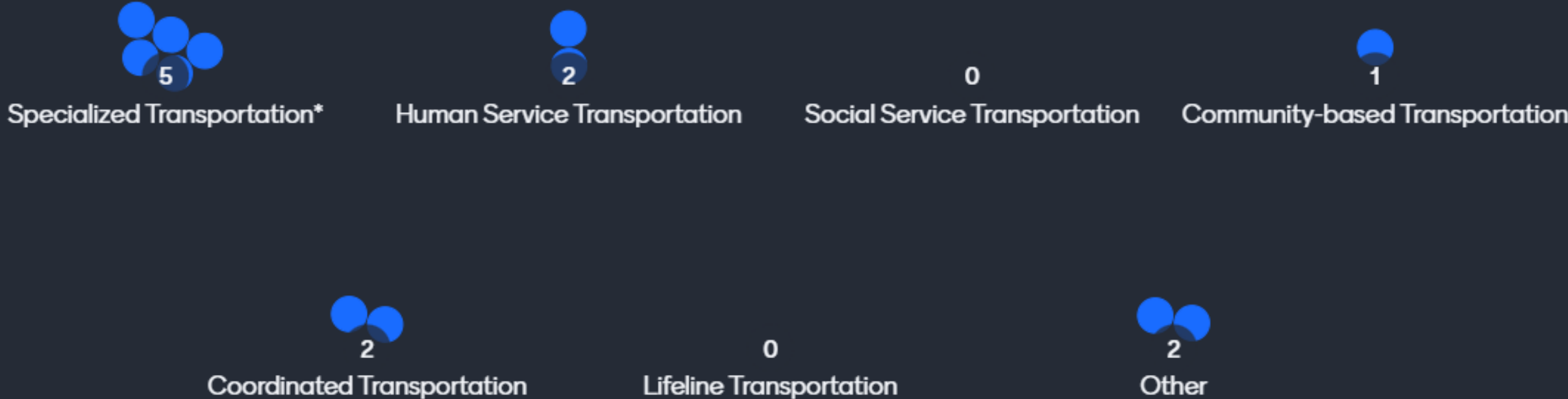


Other

The majority of the committee voted for “People with accessibility and mobility needs”

Committee Discussion In March

Which term do you recommend PSRC use to describe transportation services for people with mobility challenges due to age, income or ability?

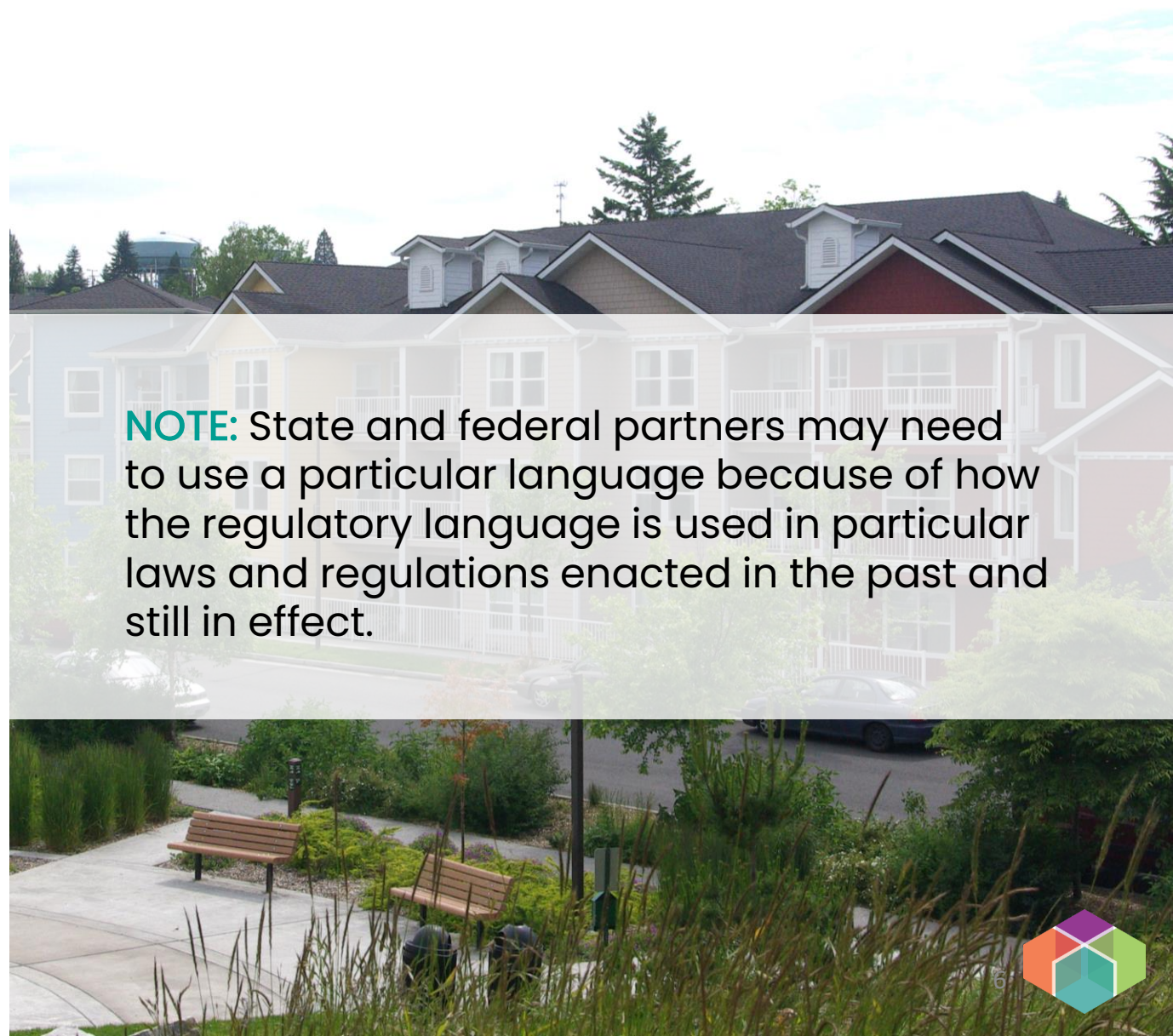


The highest number of votes for “Specialized Transportation”

Discussion/ Potential Action

SNTC recommends PSRC to use below terminology:

- People with accessibility and mobility needs
- Specialized Transportation



NOTE: State and federal partners may need to use a particular language because of how the regulatory language is used in particular laws and regulations enacted in the past and still in effect.



Moving Forward...

- Terminology and communities' preferred language evolve.
- PSRC will continue to work with the committee on this topic



Thank You!

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