



## Puget Sound Regional Council

### **Transportation Operators Committee Meeting Summary**

**Date: June 28, 2023**

**Location: Online Meeting Only: Zoom Remote Meeting**

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#### **Welcome and Introductions**

Peter Heffernan, Chair welcomed everyone at 10:00 a.m. Gil Cerise, PSRC took roll call and confirmed the members and alternates present.

#### **Approval of Meeting Summary**

The summary for the May 24, 2023, meeting was approved.

#### **Transportation Policy Board Debrief**

Peter Heffernan, Chair, provided an overview of the June Transportation Policy Board meeting.

#### **Action: FTA Funding Allocation Requests**

Sarah Gutschow, PSRC, reviewed redistribution requests from King County Metro and Skagit Transit for previously unprogrammed FTA FY 2022 funds.

- King County Metro requested redistribution of \$13,6489,421 in Seattle-Tacoma-Everett (STE) UZA FFY 2022 FTA 5337 HIFG funds to five existing projects and one new project, as shown in the June 28 agenda packet attachment.
- Skagit Transit requested redistribution of \$470,730 in STE UZA FFY 2022 FTA 5307 Earned Share and 5339 funds to the existing “Skagit Transit Maintenance Operations and Administration Facility” project, as shown in the June 28 agenda packet attachment.

The committee agreed to take these redistribution requests in the same vote as the next agenda item. After hearing all the redistribution requests, the committee voted unanimously to approve the redistribution requests for recommendation by the Transportation Policy Board at their next meeting.

*For more information, contact Sarah Gutschow at [sgutschow@psrc.org](mailto:sgutschow@psrc.org)*

#### **Action: King County Metro Phase Redistribution Request**

Sarah Gutschow, PSRC, also reviewed the King County Metro funding redistribution request of \$7,950,000 in STE UZA FFYs 2021 and 2022 FTA 5307 Earned Share funds

from Preliminary Engineering (PE) phase to Construction phase of its “Interim Base Battery Electric Bus Charging Depot” (MET-250) project.

The committee agreed to take this redistribution request in the same vote as the previous agenda item. After hearing all the redistribution requests, the committee voted unanimously to approve the redistribution requests for recommendation by the Transportation Policy Board at their next meeting.

*For more information, contact Sarah Gutschow at [sgutschow@psrc.org](mailto:sgutschow@psrc.org)*

### **Discussion: Coordination on Comprehensive Plan Updates**

Liz Underwood-Bultmann, PSRC and Paul Inghram, PSRC from PSRC’s Growth Management Planning Division presented on how PSRC supports local jurisdictions’ state-mandated comprehensive plan updates and PSRC’s role in certifying comprehensive plans. Paul ended the discussion by asking TOC members how they are engaging cities and counties on transit issues in their comprehensive plan updates and asked how PSRC can support coordination between cities/counties and transit agencies? Committee members provided responses to the discussion questions and asked follow-up questions on the presentation.

*For more information, contact Liz Underwood-Bultmann at [LUnderwood-Bultmann@psrc.org](mailto:LUnderwood-Bultmann@psrc.org) and Paul Inghram at [PInghram@psrc.org](mailto:PInghram@psrc.org)*

### **Discussion: Connecting People to Transit (PSRC Transit Access Work Program)**

Gil Cerise, PSRC, provided a reminder on the Transit Access work program that PSRC has developed. The work program is an action called for in the RTP adopted in 2022. Since last discussing this as a committee, PSRC has recruited an ad hoc working group to help complete the initial task: an assessment of existing transit access tools and data. Gil provided the roster for the ad hoc working group and an overview of existing transit access tools and data. The committee provided feedback on current activities in preparation for the first meeting of the working group, including potential case study locations.

*For more information, contact Gil Cerise at [Gcerise@psrc.org](mailto:Gcerise@psrc.org)*

### **Discussion: 2023 Transit Integration Report**

Gil Cerise, PSRC, provided an update on the 2023 Transit Integration Report. PSRC has been preparing transit integration reports for the past ten years. Due to waning interest in the topic and the continued requirement to report on transit integration topics, PSRC is proposing a streamlined approach to completing the report this year. It should involve less staff time in developing the report and TOC will still have an opportunity to review a draft before it becomes finalized. Committee members expressed support for the streamlined approach to this report.

*For more information, contact Gil Cerise at [Gcerise@psrc.org](mailto:Gcerise@psrc.org)*

### **Discussion: Transit Agency Roundtable**

During the Roundtable, the committee received updates and announcements from the following attendees:

- Gil Cerise, PSRC
- Benjamin Smith, City of Seattle
- Tina Lee, Pierce Transit
- Cordy Crockett, WSDOT
- Jessica Gould, Intercity Transit
- Alex Krieg, Sound Transit
- Peter Heffernan, King County Metro

### **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:00 p.m.

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### **\*Members and Alternates Present**

See attached attendance roster.

### **\*PSRC Staff, Alternates and Guests Present**

Erik Jaszewski, Pierce Transit; Colin Pippin-Timco, WSDOT; Erik Rundell, King County Metro; Kathryn Rasmussen, Community Transit; Darin Stavish, Pierce Transit

### PSRC

Gil Cerise, Erin Hogan, Sarah Gutschow, Nick Johnson, Jean Kim, Alexa Leach, Liz Underwood-Bultmann, Adin Romano, Paul Inghram, Maggie Moore

*\*All attendees were present via remote participation*

# TOC Attendance Roster

(Members and Alternates represented)

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Agency/Jurisdiction		Name
<b>Transit Agencies</b>		
Community Transit (1)	x	Thomas Tumola
		<i>Roland Behee (Alt.)</i>
		<i>Melissa Cauley (Alt.)</i>
Everett Transit (1)	x	Melinda Adams
		<i>Michael Schmieder (Alt.)</i>
King County Metro (1)	x	Peter Heffernan, Chair
		<i>Hannah McIntosh (Alt.)</i>
Kitsap Transit (1)	x	Steffani Lillie
		<i>Edward Coviello (Alt.)</i>
Pierce County Ferries (1)		VACANT
		<i>Nick Lacsina (Alt.)</i>
Pierce Transit (1)		Lindsey Sehmel, Vice Chair
		<i>Barb Hunter (Alt.)</i>
	x	<i>Tina Lee (Alt.)</i>
City of Seattle (1)		Jen Malley-Crawford
	x	<i>Benjamin Smith (Alt.)</i>
Sound Transit (1)	x	Alex Krieg
		<i>Carrie Avila-Mooney (Alt.)</i>
		<i>Lisa Wolterink (Alt.)</i>
<b>State</b>		
WSDOT - Washington State Ferries (1)		Justin Resnick
		<i>John Bernhard (Alt.)</i>
WSDOT (1)	x	Cordy Crockett
		<i>Jason Beloso (Alt.)</i>
		<i>Don Chartock (Alt.)</i>
		<i>Stan Suchan (Alt.)</i>
<b>Non-Voting Participants</b>		
Regional FTA Caucus (1)	x	Steffani Lillie , Chair (Kitsap Transit)
		<i>Clint Ritter, Vice Chair (Pierce County Ferries) (Alt.)</i>
Intercity Transit (1)		Peter Stackpole
	x	<i>Jessica Gould (Alt.)</i>
Special Needs Transportation Committee (SNTC) (1)		Susan Carter, Chair (Hopelink)
		VACANT