



Transportation Operators Committee Agenda

Date: Wednesday, January 24, 2024, from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Online Meeting Only: Use Zoom Connection Information Provided Below

1. Welcome and Introductions (10:00) – Peter Heffernan, Chair (King County Metro)

2. Action: Approval of Meeting Summary – November 29, 2023* (10:05)

3. Transportation Policy Board Debrief (10:10)

The 'At Work' reports for the Transportation Policy Board (TPB) meetings are available on the PSRC website at: <https://www.psrc.org/board/transportation-policy-board>. The latest Transportation Work Program progress reporting summary is available on pages 62-63 of the January 11, 2024 TPB agenda packet: <https://www.psrc.org/media/8355>.

4. Action: FTA Fund Redistribution Requests* (10:15)

Several transit agencies are requesting redistribution of funds as follows:

- a. The Regional FTA Caucus is recommending five redistributions of funds between projects requested by King County Metro. Please see the attachments for details on the specific redistribution requests.
- b. The Regional FTA Caucus is recommending one redistribution of funds between projects requested by Sound Transit. Please see the attachment for details on the specific redistribution request.
- c. Community Transit is requesting one redistribution of funds between projects in the Marysville UZA. Please see the attachment for details on Community Transit's request.

5. Discussion: 2024 Project Selection (10:25)

PSRC will provide an update on preparations for 2024 Project Selection.

6. Discussion: Next Steps Connecting People to Transit (10:55)

PSRC will provide an update on the Transit Access Working Group findings and recommendations from their January 22, 2024 meeting. The January 22nd working group agenda packet can be found here: <https://www.psrc.org/media/8373>

7. Discussion: 2024 TOC Agenda Topics* (11:20)

PSRC will provide a look ahead to TOC agenda topics for 2024.

8. Discussion: Transit Agency Roundtable (11:30)

As time permits, transit agency staff will provide updates on their work that they want to share with their regional partners.

9. Next Meeting: February 28, 2024

Calendar Link: <https://www.psrc.org/calendar>

10. Adjourn (11:35)

*Supporting materials attached

Zoom Participation Options:

To join audio/video conference:

<https://psrc-org.zoom.us/j/81700863118?pwd=Mmw0Q1JrU21XNkRSWGZXNmRNWIArQT09>

To join via cellphone (1-touch dial):

8778535257,,81700863118#,,,,*553746# US Toll-free

8884754499,,81700863118#,,,,*553746# US Toll-free

To join via phone:

877 853 5257 US Toll-free

888 475 4499 US Toll-free

Meeting ID: 817 0086 3118

Passcode: 553746

Other Formats:

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



Transportation Operators Committee Meeting Summary

Date: November 29, 2023

Location: Online Meeting Only: Zoom Remote Meeting

Welcome and Introductions

Gil Cerise congratulated Peter Heffernan and Melinda Adams, who were elected committee Chairperson and Vice-chairperson, respectively, for 2024-2025. PSRC conducted a vote-by-email for these positions between committee meetings.

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

Approval of Meeting Summary

The summary for the October 25, 2023, meeting was approved.

Transportation Policy Board Debrief

Gil provided a brief overview of the November Transportation Policy Board (TPB) meeting and shared the location of the Transportation work program tracker.

Discussion: Regional Mobility On Demand (MOD) Work Program and Inventory

Jean Kim, PSRC and Gary Simonson, PSRC provided an overview of the regional MOD work program, including a glossary of terms to help distinguish various forms of MOD, and draft measures under consideration for a regional inventory of MOD. Discussion focused on microtransit and the various brands of microtransit being deployed by transit agencies in the region.

For more information, contact Jean Kim at jkim@psrc.org or Gary Simonson at gsimonson@psrc.org

Discussion: Connecting People to Transit

Jean Kim, PSRC provided an update on PSRC progress to-date on the Connecting People to Transit work program. This included an update on case studies that PSRC is conducting in partnership with local jurisdiction and transit agency stakeholders to test PSRC's existing transit access tools and resources. Jean shared some initial impressions, based upon work to date. The Transit Access Working Group will hold its third meeting on December 1, 2023, to review work on case studies to-date and provide further feedback and guidance to staff.

For more information, contact Jean Kim at jkim@psrc.org

Discussion: PSRC Transit Development Plan Review and Transit Integration Report in 2024

Erin Hogan, PSRC, provided an overview of PSRC's 2023 review of transit development plans developed by the six agencies in the region required to create them. Erin shared topic areas that PSRC emphasized, including performance measures and targets, plan consistency, and projects of regional significance. In addition, Gil Cerise, PSRC shared that PSRC is not planning to develop a transit integration report in 2024. PSRC has coordinated with WSDOT Public Transportation Division on other ways for that agency to receive transit integration information for the state requirement.

For more information, contact Erin Hogan at ehogan@psrc.org

Discussion: 2023 TOC Planned Meeting Topics/Look Ahead to 2024

Gil Cerise, PSRC, reviewed meeting topics in 2023 and provided an overview of topics and issues that will be covered in 2024.

For more information, contact Gil Cerise at gcerise@psrc.org

Discussion: Transit Agency Roundtable

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

- Alex Krieg, Sound Transit
- Steffani Lillie, Kitsap Transit
- Peter Heffernan, King County Metro
- Tine Lee, Pierce Transit

Adjourn

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

***Members and Alternates Present**

See attached attendance roster.

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

Don Chartock, WSDOT; Erik Rundell, King County Metro

PSRC

Gil Cerise, Erin Hogan, Sarah Gutschow, Nick Johnson, Alexa Leach, Jean Kim, Gary Simonson

**Attendees were present via remote participation*

TOC Attendance Roster

(Members and Alternates represented)

Date: November 29, 2023 10:00am - 12:00pm

Online/Remote Meeting Only

Agency/Jurisdiction		Name
Transit Agencies		
Community Transit (1)		Sophie Luthin
		<i>Kathryn Rasmussen (Alt.)</i>
Everett Transit (1)		Melinda Adams
		<i>Michael Schmieder (Alt.)</i>
King County Metro (1)	x	Peter Heffernan, Chair
		<i>Erik Rundell (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)		Andrew Arnes
	x	<i>Tina Lee (Alt.)</i>
City of Seattle (1)	x	Jen Malley-Crawford
		<i>Benjamin Smith (Alt.)</i>
Sound Transit (1)	x	Alex Krieg
		<i>Lisa Wolterink (Alt.)</i>
State		
WSDOT - Washington State Ferries (1)		Jason Rogers
		<i>John Bernhard (Alt.)</i>
WSDOT (1)	x	Cordy Crockett
		<i>Jason Beloso (Alt.)</i>
		<i>Jill Nordstrom (Alt.)</i>
Non-Voting Participants		
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
		<i>Jessica Gould (Alt.)</i>
Special Needs Transportation Committee (SNTC) (1)		Susan Carter, Chair (Hopelink)
		VACANT

King County Metro Redistribution Request

Request: King County Metro (KCM) requests to redistribute \$923,999 in Seattle-Tacoma Everett Urbanized Area (STE UZA) FFY2020 5307 Earned Share funds between the projects identified below.

Explanation: KCM requests to redistribute funds from its "Seattle Central Waterfront Regional Passenger-Only Ferry Terminal" project to its "Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance 2021-2024" project. The redistribution is needed because the Passenger-Only Ferry Terminal was completed for less than the estimated costs, eliminating the need for these funds. Redistributing these dollars to preventive maintenance will therefore make more efficient use of the funds.

Since the "Seattle Central Waterfront Regional Passenger-Only Ferry Terminal" project is now complete, the remaining unobligated federal funds in the project will be used to pay for final contract costs and then the project will be closed out. The "Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance 2021-2024" project will use the additional funds to increase the federal share of the annual budget for this activity but the scope will otherwise remain the same.

FFY 2020 STE UZA 5307 Earned Share Funds

Appropriation Year	TIP ID	Project Title	Source	Current	Proposed Change	Final
2020	KCFD-5	Seattle Central Waterfront Regional Passenger-Only Ferry Terminal	5307 Earned Share	\$923,999	-\$923,999	\$0
2020	MET-253	Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance 2021-2024	5307 Earned Share	\$0	\$923,999	\$923,999

King County Metro Redistribution Request

Request: King County Metro (KCM) requests to redistribute \$10,000,000 in Seattle-Tacoma Everett Urbanized Area (STE UZA) FFY2021 and FFY2022 5337 HIFG funds between the projects identified below.

Explanation: KCM requests to redistribute funds from its "Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance for Electric Trolley Fleet 2021-2022" project to its "Atlantic Base Pavement Replacement" and "Replacement of Overhead Trolley Infrastructure 2021-2022" projects. The redistributions are needed to fund two infrastructure replacement projects that have been identified as having a critical need for additional funds, which will help maintain Metro's trolley system in a state of good repair. The redistribution is also requested due to a recent change in FTA policy limiting the time period for utilization of these funds for trolley maintenance activities.

After the funds are redistributed, the "Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance for Electric Trolley Fleet 2021-2022" project will be closed out. The "Atlantic Base Pavement Replacement" project will use the additional funds to offset recent cost increases. The "Replacement of Overhead Trolley Infrastructure 2021-2022" project will use the additional funds to pay for cost increases for University Bridge trolley infrastructure replacement work, including the purchase of more wire, connecting wires, switches, and other hardware to update the system.

FFY 2021 and 2022 STE UZA 5337 HIFG Funds

Appropriation Year	TIP ID	Project Title	Source	Current	Proposed Change	Final
2021	MET-230	Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance for Electric Trolley Fleet 2021-2022	5337 HIFG	\$5,000,000	-\$5,000,000	\$0
2022	MET-230	Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance for Electric Trolley Fleet 2021-2022	5337 HIFG	\$5,000,000	-\$5,000,000	\$0
2021	MET-216	Atlantic Base Pavement Replacement	5337 HIFG	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
2022	MET-216	Atlantic Base Pavement Replacement	5337 HIFG	\$5,628,894	\$600,000	\$6,228,894
2022	MET-227	Replacement of Overhead Trolley Infrastructure 2021-2022	5337 HIFG	\$1,619,616	\$4,400,000	\$6,019,616

King County Metro Redistribution Request

Request: King County Metro (KCM) requests to redistribute \$28,567,512 in Seattle-Tacoma Everett Urbanized Area (STE UZA) FFY2024 5307 Earned Share funds between the projects identified below.

Explanation: KCM requests to redistribute funds from its "King County Metro Bus Acquisition 2023-2024" project to its "Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance 2021-2024" project. The redistribution is needed because the agency's planned battery electric bus acquisition is delayed primarily due to supply chain issues for charging infrastructure. After the funds are redistributed, the "King County Metro Bus Acquisition 2023-2024" project scope will be reduced by 30 vehicles. The "Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance 2021-2024" project will use the additional funds to increase the federal share of the annual budget for this activity but the scope will otherwise remain the same.

FFY 2024 STE UZA 5307 Earned Share Funds

Appropriation Year	TIP ID	Project Title	Source	Current	Proposed Change	Final
2024	MET-238	King County Metro Bus Acquisition 2023-2024	5307 ES	\$36,626,936	-\$28,567,512	\$8,059,424
2024	MET-253	Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance 2021-2024	5307 ES	\$0	\$28,567,512	\$28,567,512

King County Metro Redistribution Request

Request: King County Metro (KCM) requests to redistribute \$3,359,000 in Seattle-Tacoma Everett Urbanized Area (STE UZA) FFY2024 5337 HIFG funds between the projects identified below.

Explanation: KCM requests to redistribute funds from its "Trolley Pole Replacement 2023-2024" project to its "Atlantic Base Pavement Replacement" project. The redistribution is needed because the "Atlantic Base Yard Replacement" project is moving forward sooner, so will be able to more quickly utilize the funds. After the funds are redistributed, the "Trolley Pole Replacement 2023-2024" project will be closed out. The "Atlantic Base Pavement Replacement" project will use the additional funds to cover recent cost increases.

FFY 2024 STE UZA 5337 HIFG Funds

Appropriation Year	TIP ID	Project Title	Source	Current	Proposed Change	Final
2024	MET-242	Trolley Pole Replacement 2023-2024	5337 HIFG	\$3,359,000	-\$3,359,000	\$0
2024	MET-216	Atlantic Base Pavement Replacement	5337 HIFG	\$0	\$3,359,000	\$3,359,000

King County Metro Redistribution Request

Request: King County Metro (KCM) requests to redistribute \$14,506,324 in Seattle-Tacoma Everett Urbanized Area (STE UZA) FFY2023 and FFY2024 5337 HIFG funds between the projects identified below.

Explanation: KCM requests to redistribute funds from its "Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance for Electric Trolley Fleet 2023-2024 " project to its existing "Replacement of Overhead Trolley Infrastructure 2021-2022", "Trolley Energy Storage System Replacement", and "Atlantic Base Pavement Replacement" projects and the new "Pier 48 Gangway Replacement" project. The redistributions are needed to fund four critical infrastructure replacement projects to maintain the agency's aging trolley system, water taxi maintenance facility and Atlantic Base. The redistribution is also requested in part due to a recent change in FTA policy limiting the time period for utilization of these funds for trolley maintenance activities.

After the funds are redistributed, the "Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance for Electric Trolley Fleet 2021-2022" project will be closed out. The "Atlantic Base Pavement Replacement" project will use the additional funds to offset recent cost increases. The "Replacement of Overhead Trolley Infrastructure 2021-2022" project will use the additional funds to pay for cost increases for University Bridge trolley infrastructure replacement work, including the purchase of more wire, connecting wires, switches, and other hardware to update the system. The "Trolley Energy Storage System Replacement" project scope will remain the same because this project is 100% federally funded due to the use of toll credits as match, so adding additional federal funds will just increase the percentage KCM is able to receive in FTA reimbursements.

FFY 2023 and 2024 STE UZA 5337 HIFG Funds

Appropriation Year	TIP ID	Project Title	Source	Current	Proposed Change	Final
2023	MET-244	Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance for Electric Trolley Fleet 2023-2024	5337 HIFG	\$3,310,995	-\$3,310,995	\$0
2024	MET-244	Vehicle, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance for Electric Trolley Fleet 2023-2024	5337 HIFG	\$18,152,767	-\$4,805,000	\$6,957,438
					-\$1,665,000	
					-\$4,725,329	
2023	MET-227	Replacement of Overhead Trolley Infrastructure 2021-2022	5337 HIFG	\$0	\$3,310,995	\$3,310,995
2024	MET-272	Pier 48 Gangway Replacement	5337 HIFG	\$0	\$4,805,000	\$4,805,000
2024	MET-259	Trolley Energy Storage System Replacement	5337 HIFG	\$0	\$1,665,000	\$1,665,000
2024	MET-216	Atlantic Base Pavement Replacement	5337 HIFG	\$0	\$4,725,329	\$4,725,329

Sound Transit Redistribution Request

Request: Sound Transit (ST) requests to redistribute \$1,490,506 in Seattle-Tacoma-Everett Urbanized Area (SEA UZA) FFY2023 5339 funds between the projects identified below.

Explanation: ST requests to redistribute funds from its "Regional Express Bus Program (2023-2024)" project to its "SR 522/NE 145th St BRT " project. The redistribution is needed because the bus procurement under the "SR 522/NE 145th St BRT " project is moving forward sooner than the bus procurement under the "Regional Express Bus Program (2023-2024)" project. ST is currently in the process of procuring battery electric buses (BEBs) for the "SR 522/NE 145th St BRT" project for its new BRT service scheduled to open in 2027, with a contract recently awarded for the BEBs. However, bus replacement procurement under "Regional Express Bus Program (2023-2024)" project is not slated to start until 2025-2026.

The scopes of both projects will not change as ST will be increasing the "Regional Express Bus Program (2023-2024)" project's total budget and decreasing the "SR 522/NE 145th St BRT" project's total budget by a like amount of local funds.

FFY2023 SEA UZA 5339 Funds

Appropriation Year	TIP ID	Project Title	Source	Current	Proposed Change	Final
2023	RTA-106	Regional Express Bus Program (2023-2024)	5339	\$1,490,506	-\$1,490,506	\$0
2023	RTA-103	SR 522/NE 145th St BRT	5339	\$0	\$1,490,506	\$1,490,506

Community Transit Redistribution Request

Request: Community Transit (CT) requests to redistribute \$803,236 in Marysville Urbanized Area (MAR UZA) FFY2021, FFY2022, and FFY2023 5339 funds between the projects identified below.

Explanation: CT requests to redistribute funds from its "Swift BRT Gold Line" project to its "Facilities Rehabilitation, Renovations and Maintenance" project. The redistribution is needed because additional time is needed for completion of the FTA Capital Investment Grants (CIG) Small Starts application for the "Swift Gold Line" project. As the 5339 funds in the project are now, or will soon be, approaching their FTA lapse dates, the request is to shift them to the "Facilities Rehabilitation, Renovations and Maintenance" project so that they will be able to obligate sooner.

The scopes of the projects will not change as CT will be increasing the "Swift BRT Gold Line" project's total budget and decreasing the "Facilities Rehabilitation, Renovations and Maintenance" project's total budget by a like amount of local funds.

FFY2021, FFY2022, and FFY2023 MAR UZA 5339 Funds

Appropriation Year	TIP ID	Project Title	Source	Current	Proposed Change	Final
2021	CT-74	Swift BRT Gold Line	5339	\$244,897	-\$244,897	\$0
2022				\$235,668	-\$235,668	\$0
2023				\$322,671	-\$322,671	\$0
2021	CT-77	Facilities Rehabilitation, Renovations and Maintenance.	5339	\$0	\$244,897	\$244,897
2022				\$0	\$235,668	\$235,668
2023				\$0	\$322,671	\$322,671

2024 TOC Planned Meeting Topics



Ongoing

- FTA fund adjustments
- FTA fund project tracking
- Regional Safety Plan coordination

Quarter 1 (January – March)

- Connecting People to Transit (Transit Access) work program
 - Recommendations for next steps/implementation
- RTP scope of work for 2026-2050 Plan
- Initiate Transit Development Plan coordination/outreach
- Project Selection
- Operating Procedures/membership update

Quarter 2 (April – June)

- Connecting People to Transit (Transit Access) work program implementation
- RTP base year/existing conditions and trends
 - Overview of inventory findings
 - Transit-specific base-year/existing conditions and trends
 - Coordinated Mobility Plan
 - Public outreach/engagement
- Project Selection

Quarter 3 (July – September)

- Connecting People to Transit (Transit Access) work program implementation
- RTP base year/existing conditions and trends
 - Overview of inventory findings
 - Transit-specific base-year/existing conditions and trends
 - Coordinated Mobility Plan
 - Public outreach/engagement
- PSRC Transit-related work program development
- Share 2023 Regional Household Travel Survey results

Quarter 4 (October – December)

- Connecting People to Transit (Transit Access) work program implementation

- RTP base year/existing conditions and trends
 - Transit-specific base-year/existing conditions and trends
 - Coordinated Mobility Plan
 - Public outreach/engagement
 - Preparation for transit-related modeling inputs
- PSRC Transit-related work program development
- Debrief on 2024 Transit Development Plan review
- Review of FTA-required performance targets and actuals