



Special Needs Transportation Committee Meeting Summary

Date: January 17, 2024 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Location: Remote – Online Meeting Only (Zoom Meeting)

Welcome and Introductions

Susan Carter, Chair, welcomed everyone at 9:30 a.m. and took a roll call of the membership in attendance.

Approval of Meeting Summary

The November 15, 2023 meeting summary was approved as presented.

Discussion: Preparation for the 2024 PSRC Regional Priority Ranking Process

Jean Kim, PSRC, provided an overview of PSRC's regional priority ranking process to support the upcoming statewide Consolidated Grant process. She reminded the committee of the existing process for developing regional priorities by using regional priority ranking factors for the initial sorting of applications and additional factors used during the SNTC deliberation to develop committee recommendations. SNTC provided feedback on potential updates to the process, including how to further identify and prioritize projects that fully coordinate with existing programs/communities and better support programs that are experiencing driver shortages including volunteer driver programs. Jean shared that PSRC will engage the Equity Advisory Committee (EAC) in early March on this topic to identify ways to further elevate equity throughout this process. Staff will share proposed improvements to this year's regional priority ranking process and feedback heard from EAC at the March meeting.

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

Discussion: Regional Specialized Transportation Inventory Survey

Jean shared an overview of the upcoming Specialized Transportation Inventory Survey that is set to be distributed in March. She shared key survey elements including general information on available services, trends data, and other Coordinated Mobility Plan-required elements. Findings from the survey will help the development of the next Regional Transportation Plan/Coordinated Mobility Plan. The committee asked questions and provided feedback.

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

Discussion: Update on the Connecting People to Transit Work

Jean provided a status update on the PSRC's regional transit access work. She shared that the ad hoc Transit Access Working Group has its fourth meeting set for Monday, January 22, after the committee meeting. The Working Group will review four recommendations for future tasks of the PSRC's transit access work program. PSRC staff will follow up with working group members who are unable to attend the meeting and will finalize a recommendation report based on the working group's feedback. The SNTC will review a final report with recommendations at the March meeting.

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

Discussion: 2024 SNTC Planned Meeting Topics

Jean provided an overview of the potential discussion topics for 2024. She also mentioned that PSRC will review and revise existing SNTC operating procedures and membership, which were updated in 2018.

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

Roundtable: Opportunity for SNTC members to share information on their programs and coalition news

During the local coalition reports, the committee received updates and announcements from the following attendees:

- Bree Boyce, Hopelink, RARET
- Adiam Woldu, Hopelink, King County Mobility Coalition (KCMC)
- Laura Loe, Hopelink, Find a Ride
- Daeveene May, Pierce County Mobility Coalition (PCCTC)
- Ausha Potts, Pierce Transit
- Brock Howell, Snohomish County Mobility Coalition (SNOTRAC)
- Margaret Keckler, Community Transit
- Jeff Vinecourt, Kitsap Transit

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.

***Members and Alternates Represented**

See attached attendance roster.

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

Adiam Woldu, Hopelink (KCMC); Amy Biggs, Snoqualmie Valley Transportation; Arman Rajaeian, SDOT; Beth Hamby, Sound Transit; Bree Boyce, Hopelink (RARET); Jenny Hayslip, Everett Transit; Laura Loe, Hopelink; Matthew Cramer, WSDOT; Staci Sahoo, Hopelink, Tom Hewitt, City of Seattle.

PSRC

Gil Cerise, Jean Kim, Alexa Leach

All attendees were present via remote participation.

SNTC Attendance Roster

(Members and Alternates represented)

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Representation	Name	Representation	Name
King County - Transit		Snohomish County - Transit	
King County Metro (1)	Mitchell Brown, King County Metro	Community Transit/Everett Transit (1)	x Margaret Keckler, Community Transit
	Penny Lara, King County Metro (Alt.)		Brian Senyitko, Everett Transit
King County - Local Coalition		Snohomish County - Local Coalition	
KCMC (1)	x Jonny Procriv, Volunteer Services of CCSWW-KC (KCMC)	Representative from SNOTRAC (1)	x Brock Howell, SNOTRAC
	Staci Sahoo, Hopelink (KCMC) (Alt.)		Amanda Dodd, SNOTRAC (Alt.)
King County - Area Agency on Aging/ADRC		Snohomish County - Area Agency on Aging/ADRC	
Seattle-King County Aging and Disability Services (1)	x Dinah Stephens, Seattle ADS	Snohomish County Long-Term Care and Aging (1)	x Stefanie Novacek, Snohomish Co LTC & Aging
	Suzy Miller, Seattle ADS (Alt.)		Michal Glauner, Snohomish Co LTC & Aging (Alt.)
King County - Disability Advocacy Group		Snohomish County - Disability Advocacy Group	
King County Persons with Disabilities/Advocacy Groups for Persons with Disabilities (1)	x Aaron Morrow, KCMC	Snohomish County Persons with Disabilities/ Advocacy Groups for Persons with Disabilities (1)	Leigh Spruce, Arc of Snohomish County
	Dorene Cornwell, KCMC (Alt.)		x Don Vanney, Arlington councilmember and disability advocate (Alt.)
King County - Other Special Needs Group		Snohomish County - Other Special Needs Group	
Available county seat to be chosen by KCMC* (1)	x Phirun Lach, Sound Generations	Available county seat to be chosen by SNOTRAC* (1)	Melissa Johnson, Snow Goose Transit
	Amy Biggs, Snoqualmie Valley Transportation (Alt.)		x Christina Robertson, Catholic Community Svcs Snohomish (Alt.)
Pierce County - Transit		Kitsap County - Transit	
Pierce Transit (1)	x Ausha Potts, Pierce Transit	Kitsap Transit ^ (1)	Michael Bozarth , Kitsap Transit
	Cherry Thomas, Pierce Transit (Alt.)		x Jeff Vinecourt, Kitsap Transit (Alt.)
Pierce County - Local Coalition		Kitsap County - Local Coalition	
Representative from PC Human Services (f/k/a PCCC) (1)	x Daeveene May, Pierce County, Human Services	KIRN - Kitsap County Coalition ^ (1)	Kelly Schwab, KIRN
	Jodie Moody, Catholic Community Services (Alt.)		VACANT (Alt.)
Pierce County - Area Agency on Aging/ADRC		Kitsap County - Area Agency on Aging/ADRC	
Pierce County Aging and Disability Resources (1)	x Brian Guthrie, Pierce Co. Aging & Disability Resources	Kitsap County Dept. of Aging and Long-Term Care ^ (1)	VACANT
	VACANT (Alt.)		VACANT (Alt.)
Pierce County - Disability Advocacy Group		Kitsap County - Disability Advocacy Group	
Pierce County Persons with Disabilities/ Advocacy Groups for Persons with Disabilities (1)	Francie Peltier, PCCTC	Kitsap County Persons with Disabilities/ Advocacy Groups for Persons with Disabilities ^ (1)	VACANT
	Tara Zink, Pierce County, Human Svcs. Developmental Disabilities Dept (Alt.)		VACANT (Alt.)
Pierce County - Other Special Needs Group		Kitsap County - Other Special Needs Group	
Available county seat to be chosen by PCCTC* (1)	Steve Hutchins, Around the Sound	Available county seat to be chosen by Kitsap Group* ^ (1)	VACANT
	Penni Belcher, UWPC/South Sound 211 (Alt.)		VACANT (Alt.)
State and Regional Representation			
Medicaid Transportation – Pierce and Kitsap Counties			
Paratransit Services (1)	x Ann Kennedy, Paratransit Services		
	Christie Scheffer, Paratransit Services (Alt.)		
Medicaid Transportation – King and Snohomish Counties			
Hopelink (1)	x Susan Carter, Chair (Hopelink)		
	Darryl Sierra, Hopelink (Alt.)		
Washington State Ferries (WSDOT)			
Ferries - WSDOT (1)	x Sarah Rose, WSF		
	Jared Fernley, WSF (Alt.)		
Regional Transit			
Sound Transit (1)	x Brandy Arojo, Sound Transit		
	Beth Hamby, Sound Transit (Alt.)		
Regional Education			
Educational Service Districts (1)	x Jacque Mann, PSESD		
	Davina Miller-Leach, PSESD (Alt.)		
Tribal Representation **			
Tribes (1)	VACANT		
	VACANT (Alt.)		

as of 1/2024

*This is suggested to be a representative from a transportation provider or other special needs populations listed in coordinated plan including seniors, low income, youth, veterans, and limited english proficiency groups.

** Representative is chosen by local Tribal Transportation Planning Organizations (TTPO)

^Role does not include WSDOT Consolidated Grant Voting