



## Puget Sound Regional Council

### Transit Operators Committee Agenda

**Date: Wednesday, December 3, 2025, from 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**

**Online Meeting Only: Use Zoom Connection Information Provided Below**

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- 1. Welcome and Introductions (10:00)** – *Peter Heffernan, King County Metro*
  - 2. Action: Approval of Meeting Summary – October 22, 2025\* (10:05)**
  - 3. Action: Everett Transit Scope Change Request\* (10:10)** – *Doug Cox, PSRC*
  - 4. Information: Update on Project Selection Process and Schedule (10:20)** – *Kelly McGourty, PSRC*
  - 5. Discussion: Transportation Policy Board Debrief and RTP Development (10:30)** – *Kelly McGourty and Craig Helmann, PSRC*  

Kelly and Craig will provide a debrief on the November Transportation Policy Board (TPB) meeting, including development of the draft RTP.
  - 6. Discussion: Overview on Regional Transit Access Assessment and Next Steps (10:55)** – *Gil Cerise, PSRC*  

PSRC staff will share findings from the regional transit access assessment developed for the next RTP. Staff will also share plans to develop an interactive online map that allows users to visualize transit access typologies for the region in current and future system views.
  - 7. Discussion: Transit Agency Roundtable (11:15)**  

As time permits, transit agency staff will provide updates on their work to share with regional partners.
  - 8. Information: 2026 TOC Meeting Topics\***
  - 9. Next Meeting: January 28, 2026**  

Calendar Link: <https://www.psrc.org/calendar>
  - 10. Adjourn (11:30)**

\*Supporting materials attached

### **Zoom Connection:**

- [Join the meeting](#)
- Listen by phone 1-888-475-4499
- Meeting ID: 817 0086 3118 Passcode: 553746

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- Sign language, and communication material in alternative formats, can be arranged given sufficient notice by calling 206-464-7090, TTY Relay 711.
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### **Transit Operators Committee Meeting Summary**

**Date:** October 22, 2025

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

#### **Welcome and Introductions**

Peter Heffernan, King County Metro, 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 September 24, 2025, meeting was approved.

#### **Transportation Policy Board Debrief and RTP Development**

Craig Helmann, PSRC, summarized the Transportation Policy Board meeting and discussion on the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Development in October. He also shared information on transit-related elements of the RTP financial strategy in preparation for the November TPB meeting discussing potential new revenue sources. Committee provided feedback.

The presentation can be found [here](#).

*For more information, contact Kelly McGourty [KMcGourty@psrc.org](mailto:KMcGourty@psrc.org) or Craig Helmann at [CHelmann@psrc.org](mailto:CHelmann@psrc.org).*

#### **Discussion Item: Review of key messages in future transit system report**

Gil Cerise, PSRC, provided an overview of key messages and information on transit being planned for the RTP Future System Report.

The presentation can be found [here](#).

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

#### **Discussion: Changing CDL license requirements and potential impacts to transit agencies**

Gil Cerise, PSRC, shared that Robin Koskey, PSRC's Director of Government Relations and Communications was requesting feedback from transit agencies on the potential impacts of changes to Commercial Drivers' License (CDL) requirements at the federal level. Transit agencies shared information they knew as of this meeting date on

potential impacts. Gil encouraged agencies to share updates, as they become available and he will pass them on to Robin Koskey's team.

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

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

- Sophie Luthin, Community Transit
- Sabina Araya, Everett Transit
- Edward Covellio, Kitsap Transit
- Tina Lee, Pierce Transit
- Alex Krieg, Sound Transit
- Cordy Crockett, WSDOT
- Jason Rogers, WSF
- Peter Heffernan, King County Metro

### **Adjourn**

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

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

See attached attendance roster.

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

Amanda Koerber, Everett Transit; Clint Lambert, Community Transit; Jacob Brett, King County Metro; John Neller; Kamal Mahmoud, City of Seattle; Kathryn Rasmussen, Community Transit; Lisa Wolterink, Sound Transit

### **PSRC**

Gil Cerise, Craig Helmann, Nick Johnson, Erin Hogan, Gary Simonson, Alexa Leach

*\*Attendees were present via remote participation*

# TOC Attendance Roster

Item 2 - Att. A

(Members and Alternates represented)

Date: October 22, 2025 10:00am - 11:30am

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Agency/Jurisdiction		Name
<b>Transit Agencies</b>		
Community Transit (1)	x	Sophie Luthin
		Kathryn Rasmussen (Alt.)
Everett Transit (1)	x	Sabina Araya
		Amanda Koerber (Alt.)
King County Metro (1)	x	Peter Heffernan, <b>Chair</b>
		Jacob Brett (Alt.)
Kitsap Transit (1)		Steffani Lillie
	x	Edward Coviello (Alt.)
Pierce County Ferries (1)		VACANT
		Vacant (Alt.)
Pierce Transit (1)		Andrew Arnes
	x	Tina Lee (Alt.)
City of Seattle (1)	x	Jen Malley-Crawford
		Chris Eilerman (Alt.)
Sound Transit (1)	x	Alex Krieg, <b>Co-Chair</b>
		Lisa Wolterink (Alt.)
<b>State</b>		
WSDOT - Washington State Ferries (1)	x	Jason Rogers
		Siri Olson (Alt.)
WSDOT (1)	x	Cordy Crockett
		Jill Nordstrom (Alt.)
<b>Non-Voting Participants</b>		
Intercity Transit (1)		Peter Stackpole
		Jessica Gould (Alt.)
Skagit Transit (1)		Rebekah Tuno
		VACANT (Alt.)

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## Everett Transit – Scope Change Request

**Request:** Everett Transit (ET) requests to change the scope of its *2025 Paratransit Electric Vehicles* project (ET-61) from the purchase of two new electric vehicles to support its paratransit service, to the purchase of up to four new gasoline or hybrid paratransit vehicles. This project is funded with \$511,795 in Seattle-Tacoma Everett (STE) UZA 5307 (Urban) Equity Formula funds for FFY2025. No changes to the programmed funds are proposed, but with the cost of gasoline or hybrid vehicles being lower than what had been budgeted for the electric vehicles, ET expects that three or four new vehicles may be purchased for the same budget.

**Explanation:** ET is requesting this scope change because the agency has been unable to identify a suitable electric vehicle for paratransit service. At the time the funds were originally programmed in 2023, the agency had not yet identified a suitable electric paratransit vehicle but believed such a vehicle would become available by the time FFY 2025 funds were apportioned. However, to date, ET has not been able to secure electric paratransit vehicles or identify a potential provider. The market has demonstrated diminishing success in the delivery of electric paratransit vehicles, exemplified by several manufacturers of these vehicles having recently filed for bankruptcy, and indicating that a suitable vehicle may not be made available during the period of availability for these funds.

Modifying ET-61 to instead acquire newer gasoline or hybrid paratransit vehicles will better serve the affected equity populations by allowing ET to replace aged vehicles sooner and replace a greater number of aged paratransit vehicles. The Equity Formula funds were awarded to the project based on providing reliable paratransit service to older adults and people with disabilities, not due to the technology of the vehicles. With the requested change, PSRC's policy that Equity Formula funds be distributed to support the region's equity focus area populations would still be met.

# 2026 TOC

## Planned Meeting Dates & Topics

### Agenda topics not specially allocated to a particular meeting at this time

- Action: FTA Annual Adjustments
- FTA Project Tracking

### Quarter 1 (January – March)

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#### January 28:

- Discussion/Info: Draft RTP & public comment period
- Discussion: Interactive Transit Access Assessment Tool Development
- Discussion: Transit Development Plan review: annual assessment of past process and training for 2026

#### February 25:

- Discussion/Info: Draft RTP (if needed)
- Discussion/Briefing: Preparation for next Consolidated Grant competition for specialized transportation programs (coordination with Coordinated Mobility and Accessibility Committee).

#### March 25:

- Discussion/Info: Draft RTP (if needed)
- Discussion: Interactive Transit Access Assessment Tool Development

### Quarter 2 (April – June)

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#### April 22:

- Discussion/Info: Draft RTP (if needed)

#### May 27:

- Discussion: Interactive Transit Access Assessment Tool Development
- Discussion: RTP Transit-related implementation

#### June 24:

- Discussion: RTP Transit-related implementation

## **Additional Meeting Dates to Hold in 2026**

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**July 22**

**No August Meeting**

**September 23**

**October 28**

**December 2 (special meeting date for November-December)**

See [PSRC meeting calendar](#) for the latest on PSRC meetings.