

# **Transportation Operators Committee Meeting Summary**

Date: June 22, 2022

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

#### **Welcome and Introductions**

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

### **Approval of Meeting Summary**

The summary for the April 27, 2022 meeting was approved.

## **Transportation Policy Board Debrief**

Gil and Peter reviewed the Transportation Policy Board meeting Thursday, June 9, 2022 that focused on the <u>FTA funding process</u> and <u>PSRC Transportation Work Program</u>. The 'At Work' report for these meetings are available on the PSRC website at: <u>https://www.psrc.org/tpb-meetings</u>.

#### Action: Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2022 Annual FTA Adjustments

Sarah Gutschow, PSRC, provided an overview of the 2022 FTA Annual Adjustments process and Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2022 Annual FTA Adjustments for recommendation by the Committee. She reviewed the handout of proposed changes and project revisions that were discussed at the last Regional FTA Caucus meeting and recently approved by the Caucus via vote-by-email. The committee discussed and provided comments and then unanimously approved the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2022 Annual FTA Adjustments to be recommended for approval by the Transportation Policy Board at their next meeting in July.

The handout can be viewed on the PSRC website here.

For more information, contact Sarah Gutschow at sgutschow@psrc.org.

## Action: FTA and FHWA Project Tracking Updates

Sarah reviewed the memo in the <u>agenda packet</u> and explained how the Regional FTA Caucus formed a project tracking working group to review and update PSRC project tracking policies and procedures for projects experiencing delays in obligating their regional FTA funds and/or "flexed" FHWA funds. She provided an overview of the working group's proposed updates, as recommended by the Caucus. The Committee discussed and then voted unanimously on recommending the updates for approval by the Transportation Policy Board.

For more information, contact Sarah Gutschow at <a href="mailto:sgutschow@psrc.org">sgutschow@psrc.org</a>.

# Discussion: PSRC Preparation for Regional Priority Ranking for Consolidated Grant Competition

Gil and Jean Kim, PSRC, provided an overview of the upcoming Consolidated Grant regional priority ranking process for the PSRC region, including updated/revised regional priority ranking factors based on feedback from the Special Needs Transportation Committee (SNTC). Jean reviewed a timeline for completion of the process, which includes the TOC recommendation to the Transportation Policy Board sometime in December, in order to meet WSDOT's deadline of January 27, 2023. She said this will require either adjustment to the TOC meeting schedule or an agreement for TOC action via a vote-by-email. The committee discussed the situation and decided in favor of holding a special meeting in December to review the SNTC's recommendation for priority rankings, and also keep the November 30 planned meeting date. It was noted a follow-up email to the committee with information on next steps would be sent out.

The presentation can be viewed on the PSRC website here.

For more information, contact Jean Kim at <a href="mailto:jkim@psrc.org">jkim@psrc.org</a> or Gil Cerise at <a href="mailto:gcerise@psrc.org">gcerise@psrc.org</a>.

#### Discussion: 2022-2050 Regional Transportation Plan Adoption and Work Plan

Gil reminded the committee that the 2022-2050 Regional Transportation Plan was adopted by the PSRC General Assembly on May 26, 2022. He reviewed the memo in the <u>agenda packet</u> that provided information on work program items related to transit such as the development of a 2030 transit network and noted that the Transportation Policy Board will be involved in development of a work plan to implement the plan. He said PSRC is asking agencies to provide their 2030 transit network data to PSRC by September 15 to allow time for review and analysis of the information for the development of the 2030 GHG targets to be completed by the end of the year. The committee discussed and provided input and suggestions on next steps for getting the information to PSRC in September. Based upon this feedback, PSRC staff agreed to send an email with the specific request to TOC members for them to share with their appropriate technical staff.

For more information, contact Gil Cerise at <a href="mailto:gcerise@psrc.org">gcerise@psrc.org</a>.

### **Discussion: 2022 Transit Integration Report Update**

Erin Hogan, PSRC, reminded the committee of the feedback received from TOC on the 2022 Transit Integration Report outline of stories in early June. She provided an update on draft story ideas and reviewed the highlighted areas in the draft 2022 Transit Integration Report Outline in the <u>agenda packet</u> which she said still needed a transit agency contact to assist in development of draft content over the summer. Erin reminded the committee to send her or Gil any other suggestions or other information.

For more information, contact Erin Hogan at <a href="mailto:ehogan@psrc.org">ehogan@psrc.org</a> or Gil Cerise at <a href="mailto:gcerise@psrc.org">gcerise@psrc.org</a>.

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

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

- Melinda Adams, Everett Transit
- John Bernhard, WSF

- Don Chartock, WSDOT
- Peter Heffernan, King County Metro
- Alex Krieg, Sound Transit
- Benjamin Smith, City of Seattle

# **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

#### \*Members and Alternates Present

See attached attendance roster.

# \*PSRC Staff, Alternates and Guests Present

Hannah McIntosh, King County Metro

# **PSRC**

Monica Adkins, Gil Cerise, Sarah Gutschow, Erin Hogan, Jean Kim

\*All attendees were present via remote participation

# **TOC Attendance Roster**

(Members and Alternates represented)

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Agency/Jurisdiction		Name
Transit Agencies		
Community Transit (1)		Thomas Tumola
		Roland Behee (Alt.)
	х	Melissa Cauley (Alt.)
Everett Transit (1)	х	Melinda Adams
		Michael Schmieder (Alt.)
King County Metro (1)	х	Peter Heffernan, Chair
		Hannah McIntosh (Alt.)
Kitsap Transit (1)	х	Steffani Lilllie
		Edward Coviello (Alt.)
Pierce County Ferries (1)		VACANT
		Nick Lacsina (Alt.)
Pierce Transit (1)		Lindsey Sehmel, Vice Chair
		Barb Hunter (Alt.)
		Tina Lee (Alt.)
City of Seattle (1)		Briana Lovell
	х	Benjamin Smith (Alt.)
Sound Transit (1)	х	Alex Krieg
		Carrie Avila-Mooney (Alt.)
		Lisa Wolterink (Alt.)
State		
WSDOT - Washington State Ferries (1)		Justin Resnick
	х	John Bernhard (Alt.)
WSDOT (1)		Zach Howard
		Jason Beloso (Alt.)
	х	Don Chartock (Alt.)
		Stan Suchan (Alt.)
Non-Voting Participants		
Regional FTA Caucus (1)		Melissa Cauley, Chair (Community Transit)
		VACANT
Intercity Transit		Eric Phillips
		VACANT
Special Needs Transportation Committee (SNTC)		Susan Carter, Chair (Hopelink)
		VACANT