Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

Date: March 12, 2019
Location: PSRC Board Room, 1011 Western Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98104

Welcome and Introductions
Stephen Padua, Chair, welcomed everyone at 9:30 a.m. Self-introductions were provided around the room and on the phone.

Approval of Meeting Summary
The summary for the January 8, 2019 BPAC meeting was approved as presented.

Discussion: New Voting Member Appointments Update
Sarah Gutschow, PSRC, provided a status update on new voting member and alternate appointments, including current vacancies.

Discussion: BPAC Operating Procedures Update
Sarah reviewed the sections of the current BPAC Operating Procedures under consideration, including the non-voting membership and interested parties sections.
PSRC proposed taking out the interested parties category of membership, since PSRC had eliminated public comment at committee meetings under the 2019 update of the PSRC Public Participation Plan. This change effectively eliminated the stated role of interested parties. Additionally, this category of membership has not been used for any other PSRC boards or committees.

For non-voting membership, in order to ensure equitable representation and a manageable committee size PSRC proposed a cap of five non-voting members, including four to represent each county and one at-large member. PSRC also proposed updating the procedures for approval of non-voting members to allow the full committee to approve them rather than just PSRC staff and the BPAC chairs, as in the current procedures. The committee provided feedback on these proposals, primarily regarding the proposed cap on non-voting members. Committee members also asked for additional clarification and information on the proposed updates.
As the committee was unable to reach consensus, Stephen Padua, Chair, suggested an ad-hoc committee to discuss and provide feedback on the proposed changes. Gil Cerise, PSRC, said that PSRC would work to convene the subcommittee following the meeting, with the goal of presenting a revised Operating Procedures draft at the May BPAC meeting.

**Discussion Item: Chair and Vice Chair Nominations**

Sarah provided information on procedures for the upcoming elections of the BPAC Chair and Vice-Chair positions at the May 14th meeting and opened nominations for potential candidates. She said that nominations for the positions could be submitted via email prior to the next meeting or in person at the May meeting.

**Discussion: ST System Access Fund and System Access Strategic Plan**

Alex Krieg, Sound Transit, provided information on the Sound Transit System Access Fund, including funding availability and how the funds would be distributed to applicants. He then provided an overview of the System Access Strategic Plan, covering the scope of work and the planning process timeline.

**Discussion: Regional Trails Summit Overview**

Jean White, King County Parks, gave an overview of the Regional Trails Coalition, a broad-based coalition for promoting a network of regional trails, primarily in King County. She shared information about the vision for regional trails system and the work performed by the coalition so far for achieving this vision. Jean then provided a summary of the 2018 Regional Trails Summit, which was held in October 2018.

**Discussion: Regional Bike and Pedestrian Data Projects Update**

Jean Kim, PSRC, provided an update on PSRC’s ongoing bike and pedestrian data projects. She reviewed the draft survey of member jurisdictions on the availability of bike and pedestrian count and infrastructure data. The committee then provided feedback on the proposed survey questions. Jean said that following the meeting PSRC would work to finalize the survey and distribute it to all PSRC member jurisdictions. Once it was completed, PSRC would follow up with respondents to assess data gaps in the region.

Jean also provided an update on the OpenStreetMap pedestrian data pilot project. PSRC recently completed data collection and fieldwork for two sites in Snohomish County. The next steps would be to identify sites in King, Pierce and Kitsap counties and then collect data and conduct fieldwork for those sites.

**Roundtable: Announcements of Bicycle/Pedestrian Activities**
Malva Slachowitz, King County Metro, announced that the AccessMap release party would take place on March 18th at the Gates Center for Computer Science and Engineering at the University of Washington.

Thomas Noyes, WSDOT, mentioned that the State Active Transportation Plan update is now in the public engagement stage. He also said that WSDOT is working with the South Park community on the Avenue South trail to make it more user friendly.

Dan Hansen, Kent, reported the 228th street project would cause some closures of the interurban trail, but the King County Flood project was not expected to cause any closures of the Green River Trail.

Don Willott, Bainbridge Multi-Modal TAC, mentioned that they have a successful bid for the construction of the first mile of the Sound Olympic trail section in the City of Bainbridge.

**Adjourn**
The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

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**Members and Alternates Present**
Stephen Padua, Issaquah - Chair; Andrea Archer-Parsons, City of Bremerton; *Robert Barandon, Puyallup Tribe of Indians; Tobin Bennett-Gold, City of Kenmore; Chris Dimmitt, City of Bremerton; *Brianne Black, Pierce County; Jennifer Halverson-Kuehn, Tacoma Pierce County Health; Jesse Hannahs, City of Marysville; Robert Foxworthy, King County; Dan Hansen, City of Kent; *Grace Kane, City of Lake Stevens; Aaron Lee, Snohomish County; Melissa Mohr, Kitsap County; Megan Moore, Kitsap Public Health District; Thomas Noyes, WSDOT; Shawn Phelps, Pierce County; *Andreas Piller, City of Bellevue; Kim Scrivner, City of Kirkland; Malva Slachowitz, King County Metro; James Webb, City of Auburn;

**PSRC Staff and Other Guests Present**
Gil Cerise, PSRC; Teresa Damaske, Toole Design; *Heather Gregerson, City of Renton; Sarah Gutschow, PSRC; *Tom Hood, Interested Party; Kathryn Johnson, PSRC; Ian Macek, City of Seattle; Gabe Meyer, Cascade Bicycle Club; Hannah Plummer, WSDOT – MoM; Melvin Roberts, Kent Bicycle Advisory Board; Janine Sawyer, Sound Transit; Jean White, King County Parks; Don Willott, Bainbridge Multi-Modal TAC

*via remote participation*