Welcome and Introduction to Online Meeting Format

Gil Cerise, PSRC, welcomed everyone at 9:30 a.m. He announced that PSRC is soliciting nominations for non-voting seats on its policy boards. He noted that this may be an opportunity for some organizations to provide insights regarding persons with special transportation needs to the larger policy board. He also mentioned that the 2-year term for the SNTC Chair and Vice Chair positions were coming up at the end of the year; more information to be provided at the November meeting.

Approval of Meeting Summary

The July 15, 2020 meeting summary was approved as presented.

Discussion: 2022 Regional Coordinated Plan Update – Trends in Demographic Changes and Transportation Needs

Kimberly Pearson, PSRC, provided an overview of national and regional studies and reports on trends in demographic changes and local needs assessments, as part of the Coordinated Plan update preparation. She reviewed the demographic trends and emerging mobility needs and gaps of people with special transportation needs. Kimberly then sought feedback from the committee on any additional resources on this subject.

The presentation is available on the PSRC website here.

For more information, contact Kimberly Pearson at kpearson@psrc.org

Discussion: 2022 Regional Coordinated Plan Update – Inventory of Services

Jean Kim, PSRC, reviewed federal and state requirements for the Coordinated Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan. She provided background information for the update to the inventory of services for the 2018 Plan, and then reviewed PSRC strategies to reach out to specialized transportation providers in the region for the 2022 plan update. She then shared a draft of inventory survey elements and asked the committee for feedback.

The presentation is available on the PSRC website here.

For more information, contact Jean Kim at jkim@psrc.org.
Roundtable: ADA Paratransit Services in the Region

Jean provided background information on the ADA requirement for transit agencies to provide paratransit for older adults and people with a disability. Guest speakers from transit agencies operating ADA-required paratransit in the region provided presentations on their ADA paratransit service. The guest speakers were:

- Margaret Keckler, Community Transit
- Brian Senyitko, Everett Transit
- John Rochford, King County Metro
- Jeff Vinecourt & Karl Farnsworth, Kitsap Transit
- Cherry Thomas, Pierce Transit

The speakers presented information on availability of services, trends in paratransit ridership (pre- vs. post-COVID-19), eligibility review process, technologies (i.e., cashless payment or trip planning software) and impacts of COVID-19.

The presentation is available on the PSRC website here.

For more information, contact Jean Kim 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:

- Brock Howell, SNOTRAC (Snohomish County Mobility Coalition)
- Jerri Kelly, Pierce County Human Services (Pierce County Mobility Coalition)
- Stacy Sahoo, Hopelink (King County Mobility Coalition)

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

*Members and Alternates Represented

Jeff Davidson, Kitsap Transit; Jerri Kelly, PCHS; Ann Kennedy, Paratransit Services; Alex O’Reilly, City of Bellevue; Francie Peltier, PCCTC; Brian Senyitko, City of Everett; Donna Smith, Sound Transit; Leigh Spruce, Arc of Snohomish County; Jeff Vinecourt, Kitsap Transit; Ausha Potts, Pierce Transit; Mark Smutny, Sound Generations, Cherry Thomas, Pierce Transit; Elizabeth Tilton, PSESD

*PSRC Staff and Other Guests Present

Brigid Dean, WSDOT; Karl Farnsworth, Kitsap Transit; Monica Ghosh, WSDOT; Cassidy Giampetro, Hopelink; Marianna Hanefeld, WSDOT; Brock Howell, SNOTRAC and ESDA; Margaret Keckler, Community Transit; Jodi Mitchell, Sound Transit; Stacy Sahoo, Hopelink (KCMC); John Rochford, King County Metro; Elizabeth Saftsten, WSDOT; Belina Van, Volunteer Services of Catholic Community Services
*All attendees were present via remote participation*