Transportation Operators Committee Meeting Summary

Date: June 26, 2019
Location: PSRC Board Room, 1011 Western Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98104

Welcome and Introductions
Peter Heffernan, Chair, welcomed everyone at 10:00 a.m. Self-introductions were provided around the room and on the phone.

Approval of Meeting Summary
The summary for the May 22, 2019 meeting was approved.

Discussion item: Report on PSRC Committee and Board Activities
Committee members reported that the June Transportation Policy Board included proposed policy changes for future PSRC’s annual delivery targets and an action for supplemental funding to meet the 2019 target, which the board recommended to go to the Executive Board. The board also heard about the I-5 System Partnership from WSDOT. The “At Work” report for the Transportation Policy Meeting is available on the PSRC website: https://www.psrc.org/tpb-meetings

Committee members discussed the June RSC meeting and its continued focus on VISION 2050, including upcoming outreach, the draft plan status and the public review process. The presentations and meeting summary are available on the PSRC website: https://www.psrc.org/rsc-meetings

Action: FFY 2019 Annual FTA Adjustments
Sarah Gutschow, PSRC, provided an overview of the 2019 Annual FTA Adjustments, which included the projects recommended for funding from the current adopted contingency list and noted the Regional FTA Caucus had taken action on its recommendation to the TOC via vote by email as not all of the project revisions proposed by each agency were ready by the May Caucus meeting.

The TOC approved the FFY 2019 Annual FTA Adjustments to be presented to Transportation Policy Board at its next meeting on July 11, 2019.
Discussion item: Preparing to Extend Transit Planning to 2050/Thresholds for High Capacity Transit

Gil Cerise and Kelly McGourty, PSRC, continued discussions with transit agencies on defining potential threshold for high capacity transit as part of planning for post-VISION 2050 work. They reviewed from the last meeting the identification of potential HCT corridors as part of the update of the Regional Transportation Plan. Further study on these corridors would include looking at existing conditions along key transportation corridors with additional 10 years of growth and what needs and gaps might arise. Other study would include assessing the system performance and potential next steps. Gil noted this could help jurisdictions and transit agencies with information for updating long-range plans.

The committee discussed the different ideas on how to look and identify the various corridors to assist in the needs and gaps assessment.

Discussion Item: 2019 Transit Integration Report Initiation

Gil Cerise, PSRC, reviewed an outline of the 2019 Transit Integration Report and how the report is set up prior to writing the stories for the report. He said that they are looking for feedback from the committee for the upcoming July 11, 2019 TPB Transit Caucus meeting.

Maggie Moore, PSRC, asked the committee if any of the topics for the stories in the report should be removed or added. The TOC reviewed and discussed the outline and suggested other stories that could be added. Gil said this feedback would be given to the TPB Transit Caucus and Maggie noted she will be coordinating with individual TOC members for more information.

Discussion item: Transit-related Memoranda of Agreement held by PSRC, including Regional Reduced Fare Permit and Americans with Disabilities Act Paratransit Eligibility

Gil Cerise, PSRC, provided background and an update on the two memoranda of agreement that the agency holds for transit agencies. He explained that the MOA addressing the RRFP has had a task force of agency staff meeting yearly over the last several years and noted that the scope of work for the RRFP is outside of PSRC’s geographic and work program boundaries. He said for the second MOA, relating to regional ADA Paratransit eligibility, that there were no meetings involving PSRC staff that he was aware of. The committee discussed these agreements and the situation. Gil said he would send out the RRFP Task Force Roster and asked the committee if they could reach out to pertinent staff within their organizations for feedback on the two MOA’s to help understand what the agencies’ needs are for these agreements and then
submit that feedback to him. He noted that this would help PSRC assist in finding an alternate path for this program going forward.

**Roundtable: Highlights from Transit Agency and Ferry Operators in the Region**

Due to time constraints, this item was omitted.

**Information Item**

October 4, 2019 Regional TOD Event Save the Date Flyer.

**Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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**Members and Alternates Present**

Peter Heffernan, King County Metro and Chair; Alex Krieg Sound Transit and Vice-Chair; *Sabina Araya, Everett Transit; Roland Behee, Community Transit; Jason Beloso, WSDOT; Melissa Cauley, Regional FTA Caucus Chair; Ray Deardorf, WA State Ferries; *Marianna Hanefeld, Special Needs Transportation Committee Chair and SNOTRAC; *Steffani Lillie, Kitsap Transit; Benjamin Smith, Seattle DOT; *Darin Stavish, Pierce Transit

**PSRC Staff and Other Guests Present**

Monica Adkins, PSRC; Gil Cerise, PSRC; Sarah Gutschow, PSRC Kelly McGourty, PSRC; Maggie Moore, PSRC

*via remote participation*