CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m. by Councilmember Rob Johnson, Chair.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chair Johnson shared that the meeting would adjourn early to allow for a workshop by Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) regarding the I-5 Near Term Action Agenda.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

The following people addressed the board:
- Alex Tsimerman

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Kelly McGourty, Director–Transportation Planning, shared that PSRC and WSDOT will be holding an I-5 bus tour October 23. Board members were encouraged to RSVP to attend.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency are proposing to revise the fuel economy standards passed in 2012. The new proposed rule is called The Safer Affordable Fuel Efficient (SAFE) vehicles rule, and would reduce the average fleet wide fuel economy for model years 2021 through 2026. Given the importance of the fuel economy standards to the adopted Four-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy, PSRC is drafting a comment letter on the proposed rule.
Ms. McGourty also noted that PSRC has a new system for board communications and agenda distribution. Board members are welcome to provide feedback on the new system.

CONSENT AGENDA

a. Approval of Minutes of Transportation Policy Board Meeting held September 13, 2018
b. Routine Amendment to the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

ACTION: The motion was made by Councilmember Terry Ryan and seconded by Councilmember Paul Roberts to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed.

RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF 2019-2022 REGIONAL TIP

At its September 13 meeting, the Transportation Policy Board received detailed information on the Draft 2019-2022 Regional TIP and authorized the Draft TIP to be released for public review. Kelly McGourty, Director, noted that four public comments were included in the agenda packet. The public comment period will remain open through the Executive Board meeting on October 25. Ms. McGourty reviewed the elements of the recommended action for the board’s consideration.

ACTION: The motion was made by Councilmember Kate Kruller and seconded by Councilmember Ryan Mello that the Transportation Policy Board should recommend the Executive Board adopt the 2019-2022 Regional TIP, including the following actions and findings:

A. Compliance with State and Federal Requirements
PSRC finds that the 2019-2022 Regional TIP satisfies all state and federal requirements, including consistency with the Regional Transportation Plan, financial feasibility, and a positive finding of air quality conformity. PSRC has also provided reasonable opportunity for public review and considered public comments. Therefore, the 2019-2022 Regional TIP should be adopted by PSRC and submitted to the Governor and federal funding agencies for approval.

B. Project Selection – Required for the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration Funds Managed by PSRC
PSRC approves project selection for all projects in the 2019-2022 Regional TIP for which PSRC has project selection responsibilities. These include projects with Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STP), Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula funds.

C. Authorization for Administrative Amendments to the TIP
PSRC staff are authorized to continue to achieve flexibility and efficiency in the administration of PSRC’s programming responsibilities. This authorization
enables staff to execute administrative approval for reasonable agency requests for routine project and programming amendments to the approved TIP.

The motion passed.

RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF REMAINING FEDERAL PERFORMANCE TARGETS

Pavithra Parthasarathi, PSRC, shared that in September, the board received a briefing on the remaining Federal Performance Targets: bridge and pavement condition, system performance and targets related to Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program. Information requested at the September meeting was included in the agenda packet.

Ms. Parthasarathi provided an overview of the performance targets, which PSRC must establish by November 16. PSRC will then incorporate adopted targets into the Regional Transportation Plan, TIP and other planning efforts, as applicable. Ms. Parthasarathi noted that PSRC can adjust the targets during the mid-performance period. PSRC will continue to refine data and improve measures as part of the next plan update.

**ACTION:** The motion was made by Councilmember Terry Ryan and seconded by Councilmember Paul Roberts that the Transportation Policy Board should recommend the Executive Board adopt the required federal performance targets identified in Table 1 of attachment A. The motion passed.

PSRC FEDERAL CERTIFICATION

Linda Gehrke, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) shared that the transportation planning certification review is completed every four years for large Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO).

Dan Mathis, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) stated that this review was a risk-based approach to help streamline the process. Federal agency staff met with PSRC prior to the certification process to discuss topics, resulting in an earlier, better understanding of PSRC’s processes and approaches. PSRC’s website was used to solicit public comment. There were no corrective actions identified during the review.

Jeremy Borrego, FTA and Sharleen Bakeman, FHWA shared further details of the what the certification review entailed. Mr. Borrego and Ms. Bakeman shared commendations on PSRC’s work.
WSDOT WORKSHOP

Ms. McGourty shared that members of the board were invited to remain for a WSDOT workshop on the I-5 Near-Term Action Agenda. This is part of the I-5 System Partnership work that Robin Mayhew, WSDOT, briefed the board on in September.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.
TPB MEMBERS & ALTERNATES PRESENT

Rob Berman, Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce
Russ Blount, Regional Project Evaluation Committee
Sally Clark, University of Washington
Councilmember John Clauson, Local Transit–Kitsap County
Doug DeForest, Thurston Regional Planning Council
Deputy Mayor Davina Duerr, Other Cities & Towns in King County (Alt.)
Dan Gatchet, Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board
Jesse Hamashima, Regional Staff Committee
Dezerae Hayes, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe – (via remote)
Councilmember Rob Johnson, City of Seattle, Chair
Councilmember Kate Kruller, Other Cities & Towns in King County
Mayor Ron Lucas, Other Cities & Towns in Pierce County – (via remote)
Councilmember Ryan Mello, Local Transit – Pierce County
Councilmember Debora Nelson, Other Cities & Towns in Snohomish County – (via remote)
Councilmember Mike O’Brien, City of Seattle
Mayor Mary Lou Pauly, Other Cities & Towns in King County (Alt.)
Dave Ramsay, WA State Transportation Improvement Board
Councilmember Paul Roberts, Metropolitan Center–Everett/Puget Sound Clean Air Agency
Councilmember Jennifer Robertson, Metropolitan Center–Bellevue
Assistant Secretary Patty Rubstello, WSDOT
Councilmember Terry Ryan, Local Transit – Snohomish County
Councilmember Matthew Tirman, Other Cities & Towns in Kitsap County – (via remote)
Councilmember Mike Todd, Local Transit – Snohomish County (Alt.)
Councilmember Stephanie Wright, Snohomish County – (via remote)
John Wynands, WSDOT (Alt.)

TPB MEMBERS ABSENT (*alternate present)

*Councilmember Bek Ashby, Other Cities & Towns in Kitsap County
Councilmember Claudia Balducci, King County
Commissioner Shiv Batra, WA State Transportation Commission
Councilmember Chris Beale, City of Tacoma
*Don Cairns, Regional Project Evaluation Committee
Commissioner Ryan Calkins, Ports
Jennifer Cook, AAA Washington
*John Daniels, Jr., Muckleshoot Indian Tribe
*Maior Becky Erickson, Local Transit – Kitsap County, Vice Chair
*Anne Eskridge, University of Washington
Senator Joe Fain, Senate Transportation Committee

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Commissioner Robert Gelder, Kitsap County
Councilmember Kevin Gorman, Metropolitan Center–Bremerton
Representative Mia Gregerson, House Transportation Committee
Senator Steve Hobbs, Senate Transportation Committee
Jefferson Ketchel, Snohomish Health District
Councilmember Kathy Lambert, King County
Councilmember Joe McDermott, Local Transit–King County
Dan McKisson, ILWU Local 19
Kelsey Mesher, Transportation Choices Coalition
*Secretary Roger Millar, WSDOT
Councilmember Jay Mills, The Suquamish Tribe
Commissioner Helen Price Johnson, Island County
*Mayor Dana Ralph, Other Cities & Towns in King County
Councilmember Doug Richardson, Pierce County
Andrew Strobel, Puyallup Tribe of Indians
*Mayor Amy Walen, Other Cities & Towns in King County

GUESTS and PSRC STAFF PRESENT -
(As determined by signatures on the Attendance Sheet and documentation by staff)

Sharleen Bakeman, FHWA
Jeremy Borrego, FTA
Ben Brackett, PSRC
Gil Cerise, PSRC
Tammi Chick, PSRC
April Delchamps, City of Kent
Carolyn Downs, PSRC
Lauren Foster, PRR
Linda Gehrke, FTA
Mark Gulbranson, PSRC
Sarah Gutschow, PSRC
Peter Heffernan, King County
Craig Helmann, PSRC
Kathryn Johnson, PSRC
Will Knedlik, Washington State Good Roads & Transportation Assn.
Dan Mathis, FHWA
Robin Mayhew, WSDOT
Kelly McGourty, PSRC
Casey Moreau, PSRC
Brian Parry, Sound Cities Association
Pavithra Parthasarathi, PSRC
Gary Simonson, PSRC
Jeff Storror, WSDOT
Ryan Thompto, PSRC
Alex Tsimerman, AlexforAmerica.com
Jude Willcher, Seattle DOT
Lacey Jane Wolfe, City of Bellevue