



**CITY OF AUBURN
TRANSPORTATION
ADVISORY BOARD**

December 10, 2019

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Dennis Grad called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, located on the first floor of Auburn City Hall, 25 W Main Street, Auburn, Washington. Committee members present were: Jeanette Miller, Ronald Riley, Michael Harbin Jr, Steve Carstens, Peter Di Turi, Riley Patterson and Dennis Grad. Also present during the meeting were: Public Works Director Ingrid Gaub, Assistant Director/City Engineer Jacob Sweeting, Senior Traffic Engineer James Webb, Office Assistant Angie Sherwin and Greg McKnight with King County Metro.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Dennis Grad, and seconded, that the Committee approve the Transportation Advisory Board minutes for June 11, 2019 and October 1, 2019 special meeting. Motion carried.

III. DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

A. RapidRide I Line Update (King County Metro)

Greg McKnight, King County Metro, Project Manager for the RapidRide I Line discussed the new RapidRide I Line that will serve Renton, Kent and Auburn, while complimenting the Mobility Plan and the metro network within south King County with start of service in September 2023. The Rapid Ride capital investment includes building infrastructure for accessibility, safety comfort and security, speed and reliability.

During the preliminary design in 2019-2021, for the need assessment, KC Metro sought community engagement for feedback that included online surveys, bus riding, talking with riders and creating a Mobility Board of 27 members from the surrounding communities of Renton, Kent and Auburn. Some priorities of mobility needs were reported as, weekend and late-night service, shorter frequent reliable routes in Auburn. Additional locations based on community needs and feedback and being near facilities, areas of high rider numbers, even spacing to prioritize trips, identify barriers to new proposed stations. Other areas discussed were proposed new routes analysis, stations, resources and investments. KC Metro will continue to work with the City of Auburn and seek ongoing community engagement.

B. Mobility Plan Update (King County Metro)

Greg McKnight, King County Metro, presented an overview and a recommendation updates for the Mobility Plan. The goal of the plan is to increase the network efficiency and invest in equity areas within south King County, which includes Renton to Auburn and Sea-Tac to Covington. One goal is to create a single route that would include these cities and then become the future I Line route and, in this process, informing, involving and empowering underrepresented groups.

C. SR 164 East Auburn Access Project Update (Sweeting)

Jacob Sweeting, City Engineer, provided the status of SR 164 East Auburn Access project. The project was awarded 15 million dollars through Connecting WA in 2015 to build an off ramp from SR18 to connect to SR 164. The Muckleshoot Indian Tribe (MIT) is the lead on the project, with the City of Auburn and the State working together. Currently the project is on hold as the MIT looks at alternatives.

- D. R Street Corridor Study – Recommendations (Webb)* James Webb, Senior Traffic Engineer, discussed the R street corridor study providing the background, the study purpose, the study findings, the projected cost and the next steps being reviewed.
- E. Discuss Future Meeting Format (Webb)*
James Webb, Senior Traffic Engineer, asked the Transportation Board members for their input for the Transportation Advisory Board format (schedule and representation) and discussed several different options. No changes were requested by the members.
- F. Transportation Grant Update (Webb)
James Webb, Senior Traffic Engineer, announced the grant applications, for 2nd Street SE & M Street SE, that were submitted to the Transportation Improvement Board have been awarded to the City.

IV. ADJOURNMENT –

There being no further business to come before the Transportation Advisory Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Approved this 8th day of December 2020.

Dennis J. Grad 12/9/2020

Dennis Grad
Chair

Angie Sherwin
Engineering Services Office Assistant