

Pierce Transit Community Transportation Advisory Group (CTAG) Virtual Meeting via Zoom/phone Minutes – June 24, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:33 PM.

ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

CTAG Members Present: Don Green, Blake Geyen, Antoinette Craig, Deirdre Maxwell, Paul Crandall, Cody Bakken, Denise Edington, Marlene Druker, Emily Freeman Absent: Linda Moran Pierce Transit Employees Present: Darin Stavish (Principal Planner), Duane Wakan (Senior Planner), Penny Grellier (Community Development Administrator)

Don welcomed the new members and asked everyone to give a quick self-introduction. Because Cody had to leave early, he requested that we move the CTAG Hero Award item earlier in the agenda, which was approved by all.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from May 2021 were reviewed and approved (Cody moved, Deirdre seconded).

CTAG MEMBERS COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cody (TAC Review): Cody represents CTAG on the BRT Technical Advisory Committee. This group advises on system design and infrastructure requirements in support of the first BRT line on Pacific Ave/SR7. At their recent meeting, Penny described outreach efforts made with disability groups and Limited English Proficiency populations.

Don (CEO Recruitment Committee): a group consisting of Board members, staff and Don as CTAG representative have put 3 candidates forward to the Baord for consideration at their special meeting on June 30. A staff and community member meet-n-greet with these candidates is scheduled for June 28 (CTAG members are invited).

PUBLIC COMMENT

none

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Stream BRT System Expansion Study (Darin Stavish, Principal Planner)

Darin summarized the efforts the agency is making in expanding BRT services beyond the first line on Pacific Ave/SR 7. He invited a CTAG member to join the Technical Advisory Committee to help study how the expansion will proceed. Vote to take place during Member Deliberation section of agenda.

CTAG Hero Award nomination/process (all members)

Paul submitted a nomination for Janice Powell, an operator who assisted his wife when she lost her purse on board a bus. The members reviewed his nomination form and the evaluation process, since this is the first CTAG Hero Award to be given. Motion to award made by Marlene, seconded by Deirdre, approved. Penny will alert Janice's supervisor and invited Janice to receive her award at the next CTAG virtual meeting. A BUZZ article (employee newsletter) and possibly social media announcement, will follow.

JBLM Runner (Duane Wakan, Senior Planner)

The group was given an overview of zones being considered for on-demand service to supplement our fixed route buses. Duane reminded them of the pilot Runner pilot on Ruston and shared how the former JBLM Connector service is being rebranded as JBLM Runner. We received two WSDOT grants to support more Runner services; they will be an umbrella under which all on-demand service will live, to include Midland, Parkland, Spanaway, Tideflats and possibly Ruston again. Duane showed a brochure draft for JBLM Runner and asked for feedback.

PIERCE TRANSIT NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Transit transformation project has been postponed Deirdre volunteered to serve as CTAG rep to Darin's Expansion TAC, with Don as alternate Penny read out an announcement given to staff regarding proper mask wearing procedure and regulations

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:50PM

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Penny Grellier, Community Development Administrator

Don Green, Chair