

Pierce Transit Community Transportation Advisory Group (CTAG) Pierce Transit Training Center Rainier Conference Room Minutes – March 24, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Sandy Paul was appointed by consensus to chair the meeting, due to Chris Karnes' and Bridgett Johnson's absences.

Sandy Paul called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

CTAG Members Present: Denise Edington, Tommy Manning, Sandy Paul, Roland Santos, Hongda Sao, Steve Schenk and Richard Zalucha

CTAG Members Absent: Cody Bakken, Bridgett Johnson and Chris Karnes

Pierce Transit Employees Present: Monica Adams; Senior Planner, Penny Grellier; Business Partnership Administrator, Trisha Canzler; Mobility Coordinator and Tim Renfro, ADA Eligibility Administrator.

INTRODUCTIONS:

No introductions transpired.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Steve Schenk motioned to approve the February 25, 2016 CTAG Minutes. Richard Zalucha seconded. Motion carried.

CTAG MEMBERS AND STAFF REPORT ON ACTIVITES

Penny Grellier informed that the new issue of Pierce Transit's *The Bus Stops Here* will go into effect on March 27th.

Penny also reported on the South Sound Sustainability Expo which Pierce Transit attended, on Saturday, March 5th.

Tim Renfro and Denise Edington reported on the Tools for Success event which took place on Tuesday, March 22nd at Tacoma Community College.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Betsy Elgar, local business woman and transit rider, read a statement pertaining to Pierce Transit's service.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Community Accessibility Inventory – Tim Renfro and Trisha Canzler: Tim Renfro and Trisha Canzler reported on the Community Accessibility Inventory related to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Tim and Trisha informed that Pierce Transit has submitted a grant to help fund improvements of its current accessibility state including terrain barriers pertaining to destinations that riders frequent. The main goal is to ensure riders can access their bus with very few obstacles. Pierce Transit is working, in

conjunction with different municipalities, to create a visual tool to assist riders with transportation limitations.

1. Tacoma Dome Station (TDS) Parking Management Study – Monica Adams: Monica Adams gave a presentation on the TDS parking management study which is currently in effect. TDS is currently operating at 90% capacity within its 2,283 parking stalls. Consultants Desmond and Associates provided three distinct strategies on how to implement paid parking at the facility. Strategies included a combination of the following: setting up payment machines, paying by phone, hiring parking enforcement officers and constructing an exit gate. Monica informed the cost to park at TDS would be around \$40 a month, or \$2.00 a day. Past stakeholder meetings have shown support of paid parking. Monica reported that the Department of Transportation has conducted a survey and most patrons are willing to pay up to \$1.50 a day. Pierce Transit will be holding a hearing for public comment in the near future.

When the proposal is final, it will need the approval from the Board of Commissioners. The proposal will also include an operating and maintenance agreement with Sound Transit deciding if they will receive any of the revenue pertaining to the parking rates.

MEMBER DELIBERATION

Tommy Manning expressed concern about SHUTTLE's policy regarding where vans can park when dropping off and picking up passengers.

Members deliberated about the possibility of expansion of park and rides around the area.

PIERCE TRANSIT NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Penny Grellier reported on the following news articles and announcements:

- Puyallup Spring Fair Tabling Opportunity
- Designate CTAG member to give quarterly update at the Board of Commissioners' meeting on April 11th.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m. by Sandy Paul

Submitted by:

Penny Grellier: Business Partnership Administrator

Annroyed by:

Chris Karnés; CTAG Chair