



**Pierce Transit  
Community Transportation Advisory Group (CTAG)  
Pierce Transit Training Center  
Rainier Conference Room  
Minutes – May 23, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Informational called to order at 5:35 PM. **Quorum occurred at 5:44 PM.**

**ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE**

CTAG Members Present: Antoinette Craig, Aaron Dumas, Blake Geyen, Cody Bakken, Denise Edington, Don Green, Paul Crandall

CTAG Members Absent: Hongda Sao, Jeff Freedman and Sandy Paul

Pierce Transit Employees Present: Karen Henderson, Employer Services Coordinator, Patrick Blankenship, Principal Planner, Penny Grellier, Business Partnership Administrator and Tina Lee, Planning Manager

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Don Green motioned to approve the March 28 and April 25 minutes. Antoinette Craig seconded. Motion approved.

**CTAG MEMBERS COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Aaron Dumas reported that back in April both the City of Tacoma and Pierce Transit's Board of Commissioners gave their support on the hybrid alternative for the Bus Rapid Transit project.

Cody Bakken reported the May 22 Tacoma Dome Link Extension Stakeholders' meeting was rescheduled to May 29. Cody will report on the meeting at the June 27 CTAG meeting.

Cody also reported on the April 11 Board of Commissioners' Retreat he attended.

Cody also reported on the May 6 Transportation Advocacy Day he attended.

Tina Lee reported on the May 23 Tacoma Transform meeting in lieu of Sandy Paul's absence. The current goal for the Tacoma Transform project is focusing on short term (three to five years) improvements projects throughout the area.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment transpired.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Gig Harbor Service – Patrick Blankenship: Don Green motioned to move this item to the June 27 meeting. Antoinette Craig seconded. Motion carried.
2. Micro Grant Pilot– Tina Lee: Tina Lee presented a Micro Grant Pilot program aimed at providing support to community groups that are attempting to improve bus ridership through ideas or efforts that will directly increase ridership on Pierce Transit's system. The grants will be awarded in increments of



\$1,000. This pilot program will be presented to the Board of Commissioners at the June 10 Board meeting for input. Tina also asked for assistance with CTAG reviewing applications if possible.

3. September 22 Service Change – Patrick Blankenship: Patrick Blankenship gave an overview of the King County Metro Route 903 and Pierce Transit Route 63 partnership. The average yearly cost of the service is about \$155,000 and has about eight midday boardings per service hour. Patrick also reported King County Metro will be canceling its service in the Northeast Tacoma area. Though this service will be eliminated, Route 63 will fill in most of the area Route 903 was covering. Patrick analyzed the peak boarding times for the 63 and suggested areas trips could be added if possible.
4. SHUTTLE Application Review – Penny Grellier: Penny Grellier reported the ADA SHUTTLE Department is updating their eligibility process. This update includes revising both the application and recertification process. Penny distributed the proposed updated materials and requested input from CTAG members.

#### **MEMBER DELIBERATION**

Cody Bakken welcomes all new CTAG members.

#### **PIERCE TRANSIT NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Gig Harbor Maritime Festival takes place on June 1. Pierce Transit will have a booth stationed at the festival.

Sound Transit is recruiting two Pierce County residents to serve on its Citizen Oversight Committee.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM

Submitted by:

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Penny Grellier, Business Partnership Administrator

Approved by:

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Cody Bakken, CTAG Chair