

TRANSPORTATION FUTURES

Task Force Summary Notes

Meeting #9: Wednesday November 18, 2015, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

King Street Center: 201 South Jackson Street, 8th Floor Conference Room, Seattle, WA

Members Present:

Dow Constantine, King County
Norm Dicks, Former U.S. Congressman
Leonard Forsman, The Suquamish Tribe
Hilary Franz, Futurewise

Kimberly Harris, Puget Sound Energy
Shefali Ranganathan, Transportation Choices
Arthur Rubinfeld, Starbucks
Mike Sotelo, Consolidar LLC

Members Not Present:

Slade Gorton, Former U.S. Senator
Jean Hernandez, Edmonds Community College
Jeff Johnson, Washington State Labor Council
Troy McClelland, Economic Alliance Snohomish County

Ed Murray, City of Seattle
Clare Petrich, Port of Tacoma
Rich Stolz, OneAmerica
Marilyn Strickland, City of Tacoma
Matt Yerbic, Aviation Technical Services

Technical Presenters:

Charlie Howard, PSRC

Anne Fennessey, CockerFennessy

The meeting was recorded. Click [here](#) to view to a recording of the meeting.

- 1. Welcome and Meeting Overview.** Facilitator Brian Scott, BDS Planning & Urban Design, called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m. and welcomed the Task Force. Topics and purpose for the meeting were reviewed.
- 2. Regional Decision Making.** Charlie Howard, PSRC presented reviewed regional transportation revenue collection and distribution models and discuss recommended principles for a regional solution. The Task Force considered the examples and discussed elements of regional models that seem more successful than others. Comments and questions were recorded on a wall graphic (Appendix A: Figure 1)
 - Incorporate land use
 - Partner with the private sector

Brian Scott, BDS, suggested Principles for the Task Force to consider for a Regional Model for the Puget Sound region. The Task Force agreed to the principles presented and added “Effective and Consistent,” and suggested that a regional model that could consolidate funding authority and funding of projects could accomplish this. It was the desire of the Task Force to not create a new authority, but use an existing one. Comments and questions were recorded on a wall graphic (Appendix A: Figure 1)

- 3. Draft Recommendations.** Brian Scott, BDS, presented the Draft Recommendations, including long-term funding sources and early actions, short-term funding sources and early actions, innovation, efficiencies, and cost savings, and regional decision-making. Comments and questions were recorded on a wall graphic (Appendix A: Figure 2)

Long Range:

- Income equity and quality of life should be a high priority
- Hybrid of Pay Per Mile and Tolling
- The Puget Sound Region should commit to a pilot program

Short Term:

- Focus on unused existing authority

Task Force members expressed general agreement with the draft recommendations, and directed staff to incorporate them into the draft report for their further review and comment.

4. **Draft Report Outline and Next Steps.** Anne Fennessy, CockerFennessy, led Task Force members through the approach for organizing and developing the final Task Force report, and process for finalizing report. Comments and questions were recorded on a wall graphic (Appendix A: Figure 2). The Task Force asked that the final report:

- Recommend a usage based revenue source
- Have a regional management entity
- Recognize an income based approach element
- Phase out other current fees
- Act immediately

Anne Fennessy also reviewed the public outreach schedule.

5. **Round Table.** Task Force members are given the opportunity to discuss topics of interest.
- No Round Table comments
6. **Public Comment.** Members of the public had an opportunity to submit comments to the Task Force, through the project website and the following commented during the meeting:
- Sonny Putter
 - Will Knedlik
 - Doug MacDonald
7. **Adjourn.** There were no further announcements. The meeting concluded at 5:50 p.m.

Next Meeting. The next Task Force meeting is **January 27, 2016, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at King County's King Street Center 201 S. Jackson Street.** The topic will be: Final Report review and approval

Questions: Please contact Ben Bakkenta, PSRC (206) 971-3286, BBakkenta@psrc.org
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ATTACHMENT A: Graphic Recording Transcription of Meeting #9

TRANSPORTATION FUTURES TASK FORCE		Meeting #9: Draft Recommendations	November 18, 2015
REGIONAL MODELS			
Land Use / Smart Growth is important Partner with private sector to improve system & lower cost of transportation	Principles Do not distinguished between Counties & Cities – both should benefit (people don't care about the difference) Efficient use of funds to inspire smart land use – [don't] encourage sprawl Encourage the value of consolidation of plans – not just another recommendation (1 plan, 1 system) – consistent, save money, efficient	Effective system that meets goals – prioritize, plan, collect, coordination Environment protection State involvement Trust Consider existing agency [for regional management]	
DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS			
Long Range	Short Term (interim?)	Recommendations	
[Explain what the long range plan means to an individual in terms of:] Highlight equity Quality of Life Income-based approach S.O.V. vs. H.O.V. pricing Hybrid Pay-Per-Mile and Tolling Region should commit to pilot – non-traditional funding sources, social impact bond approach	No opt-out available [Term clarification:] Jurisdictions = City, County, & Transit Authorities Nickel & dime [method] not working – go long Graduated tax (pay roll) structure – regional transit tax Employee/employer impact – affects behavior Blend economic & road usage activity Don't dilute Reduce transportation burden Acknowledge urban behavior	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Usage Based 2. Regional Management 3. Income Element (employer incentives) 4. Do It Now 5. Phasing Out Other Fees 	
General questions			
What is the delta between authority and what's being used?			

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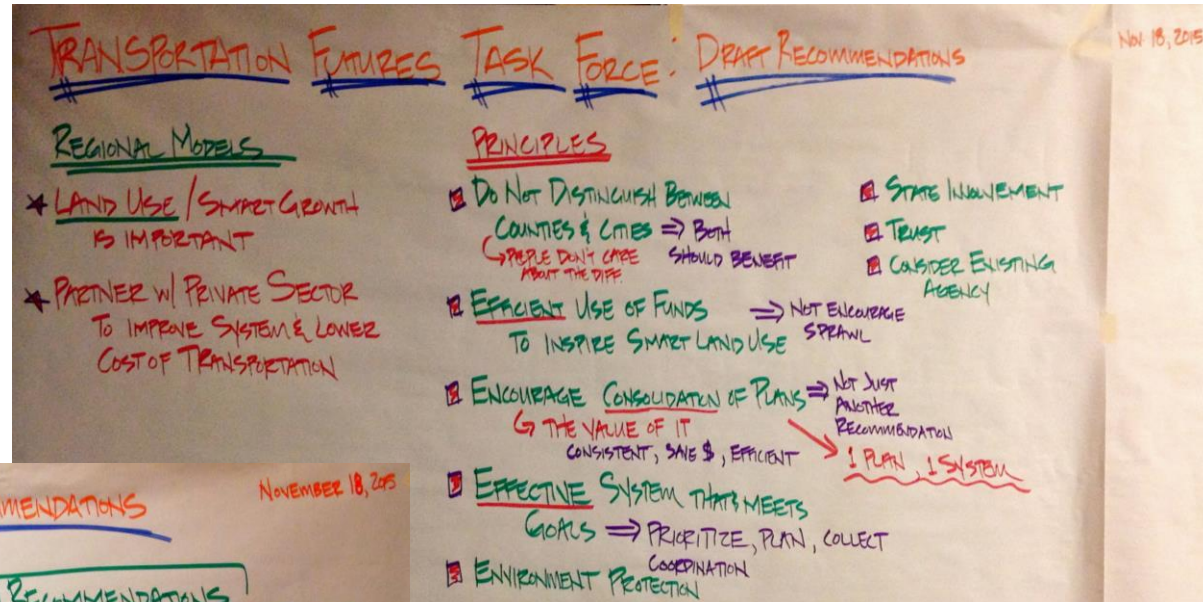


Figure 1: Wall graphic recorded during the meeting



Figure 2: Wall graphic recorded during the meeting