

## **Board Members in Attendance**

Ashwin Bhumbra  
Art Kuniyuki  
Michelle Zeidman  
Reese McMichael  
Chris Miller  
Josh Hirschland  
Christiano Martinez  
Sandro Pani  
Erin Tighe

## **SDOT**

Matt Yarrow  
Jen Malley-Crawford  
Jonathan Lewis

## **Introductions**

## **Public Comment, Approval of Previous Minutes**

Art motions to approve, Erin seconds

## **Seattle Transportation Plan Updates**

- Reasons behind the plan
  - Address urgent climate challenges
  - Inform future transportation funding
  - Align w/ Seattle Comprehensive Plan update
  - To plan the limited space in our right-of-way
- Timeline
  - It is about time to review the draft STP
- Phase 2 Engagement Summary
  - Most people resonate w/ STP vision and goals
  - 95% of people want to see rapid, transformational change to achieve our goals
  - 93% of people want to walk or roll to get around their neighborhood in the future
  - Most popular menu of actions
    - More space for pedestrians
    - Make it safer and easier to bike around Seattle
    - Increase people-friendly streets
    - Improve transit service and access
    - Reallocate street space
- Draft policies and programs to note
  - Updated maps in the transit element
  - Emphasis on all transit modes
  - Transit Performance Policy (TPP) which outlines bold targets for quality of transit service
  - Program recommendations
    - Spot improvement
    - Mobility Hubs

- Safe Route to Transit
- Draft plan release
  - Will be released in mid 2023
  - Two month community review period
    - Can comment on specific chapters through website, in-person events, over phone and email
    - Writing a letter

### **Bridge Proviso Update**

- STM Background
  - Approved in Nov 2020
  - 0.15% sales tax, around \$50M annually to use for transit improvements
- Changes to 2023 STM Budget
  - Approved budget increasing the STM capital spending limit from \$3M to \$15M
  - Imposed a proviso on \$12M on increased capital spending limit to be used solely for bridge-related or structures-related transit improvements
    - This was the first time that any amount of STM was proviso'd.
- Guiding Principles for Bridge Proviso Response
  - Spend in alignment w/ voter intent
  - Continue to meet 50% transit service annual spending requirement
  - Maintain 2023 programmatic and capital funding commitments
  - Consider equity in distribution of bridge proviso funds
  - Fund new projects, projects w/ funding gaps, or projects where existing funding could be reallocated in future years
- SDOT Recommended REsponse
  - Investing ~\$6M on bridge related transit improvement projects in 2023
- Definition of terms: Bridges and Structures
  - Bridge - structure built to span a physical obstacle; roadway and pedestrian bridges
  - Structure - can include areaways, retaining walls, stairways, etc.
- Spending parameters and challenges
  - Alignment w/ STM enabling legislation and voter intent
    - Spending on transit service and associated capital improvements, transit access, emerging mobility needs
  - Difficulty in identifying projects that meet criteria and can be delivered in 2023 timeframe
  - Difficult to ensure geographic distribution of bridge proviso funds
- Will be spending around \$6M out of \$9M in capital projects on bridge related transit improvements
- Long list of proposed bridge proviso projects
- Next steps
  - Collect TAB feedback and alignment on proposed definition and support for project list
  - Develop capital spend plan for 2024 - 2027 with increased capital cap in collaboration w/ TAB

## **Board Business**

- Bridge proviso follow up
  - Michelle proposes to just meet w/ SDOT and then construct a letter to City Council based off of the conversation with SDOT.
  - Art proposes a general permanent subcommittee for capital planning for the rest of the lifetime of STM
- Tour w/ Greg Spotts planning
  - Doodle poll will be sent out to choose time out of 3 options
- Major item updates
  - Transit Access Program is launching citywide safety survey soon. Encourages TAB to advertise survey to our community.