



# Transportation & Public Works Special Council Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 23, 2017  
4:00 PM  
SeaTac City Hall - Riverton Room 128

Members:	Present:	Absent:	Commence: 4:04PM
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Peter Kwon, Chair	X		
Rick Forschler	X		
Michael Siefkes, Mayor		X	

Other Council Members Present:

Staff Coordinator: Will Appleton, Public Works Director; Florendo Cabudol, City Engineer; Jeff Robinson, Acting CED Director/Economic Development Manager

1. Public Comment	An email was presented from a commercial parking business owner in SeaTac. He specifically cited the potential impact to our Parking Tax revenue.
2. Autonomous Vehicles	<p><u>  X  </u> Further discussion</p> <p>John Niles of CATES presented further information on his group's work promoting and assisting agencies' use of autonomous vehicles.</p> <p>Mentioned were potential impacts to the City from the use of autonomous vehicles, including Parking Tax revenue, use of parking garage, etc. Also mentioned was that this technology is here now, starting to be used, and it is to the City's advantage to get out ahead of it, and optimize this technology to meet the needs of SeaTac.</p> <p>An 90-day consultant agreement with CATES will look at SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats). SeaTac would get a very clear picture of leading in this area.</p> <p>An autonomous vehicle trip will be looked at differently than our standard trips to the airport. Very little parking, lots of motion, possibility of considering a Transportation Benefit District type of taxation or fees instead of the Parking Tax for revenue to meet the infrastructure needs.</p> <p>Autonomous vehicles solves the "last mile" problem of other modes like Sound Transit – how to get people the last mile to their destination, such as the Airport.</p> <p>Like car-sharing programs in use in other cities (Car to Go and Reach Now), the City can negotiate where these vehicles can be parked or</p>

which areas they can operate.

Suggestion that SeaTac could start with establishing a route, use 12-man vehicles; an operator would supply the vehicles; other operators would probably jump on board. Start slowly; perhaps a driver on board the first six months.

Discussion of computing power required for this; small cell towers.

Schedule a presentation and forward this for discussion at the March 8 Hotel/Motel Advisory Committee meeting, and then to Council Study Session on March 14.

T&PW Chair Kwon will mention this topic at Feb 28 Regular Council Meeting Committee Update.

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