

Transportation & Public Works Special Committee Meeting

Monday, April 30, 2018 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm SeaTac City Hall – Riverton Room 128

> Commenced: 4:08 PM Adjourn: 5:45 PM

Councilmembers:PresentAbsentPeter Kwon, ChairXRick ForschlerXPam FernaldX

Other Council members present: Clyde Hill; Joel Wachtel

Staff Coordinators: Will Appleton, Public Works Director;

Other Staff Members Present: Joe Scorcio, City Manager; Mark Johnsen, Sr. Assistant City

Attorney

ITEM	TOPIC	PROCESS	Notes	
1	Call to order			
2	Public Comment	Please raise your hand if you would like to speak. Public comments are limited to 10 minutes total and 3 minutes per individual speaker. Time may be reduced for each speaker in order to stay within the overall 10-minute time limit.	None	
3	SR 518 Proposed Improvements	Informational Presentation by Tom Hooper, Port of Seattle Planning Program Manager A SR518 corridor study will be conducted by WSDOT, in partnership with the Port of Seattle, Sound Transit and other regional entities. WSDOT will study practical solutions to address high vehicle volumes and delays in the corridor including evaluation of solutions to the rapid growth of traffic in the corridor and how that growth impacts access to Sea-Tac		

		International Airport and surrounding communities. Budget appropriation is \$500,000. Funding becomes available in June/July 2018, and the deliverables will need to be completed by June 2019. A scope of work is currently being developed, and a roster of potential consultants is being compiled. A steering committee is being set up, and the cities of SeaTac and Tukwila will be included. Comments were made regarding the backlog of traffic coming from the airport with the addition of the eastbound extra lane. One solution suggestion: provide express exits/on-ramps that bypass city of SeaTac. Information and traffic study results will be brought to future T&PW Meetings.	
4	SR 509 Memo of Understanding (follow up on item from April 23 Meeting)	Discussion and Committee Recommendation A Memo of Understanding (MOU) from the City is required in July by the State Legislature, outlining the City's commitment to meeting local match requirements for the Puget Sound Gateway Project - extension of SR 509. Following execution of the MOU, the City will need to enact an Inter Local Agreement, which will outline the details of our local match contribution. The Committee recommended (3- 0) that the City Manager be authorized to execute an MOU (not substantially different than the current draft MOU – version 18.	

		Staff will begin drafting an Inter	
		Local Agreement separately.	
5	Autonomous Vehicles	Informational Report by John Niles,	
5	(follow up on item from April 23 Meeting)	CATES	
		In a final presentation regarding the Autonomous Vehicle study by CATES, John Niles stated that the City of SeaTac is well-positioned to become a "Vehicle Automation Center of Municipal Excellence." There was discussion by the committee regarding WHAT this really means. It currently has no 'teeth.'	
		CATES noted the following: 1. A Resolution of interest will attract private sector automated vehicle developers to the opportunity of deploying a driverless ride service in the City of SeaTac.	
		2. The City should proceed to design a pilot deployment of an automated, electric ondemand micro-transit operating service as specified in the CATES recommended Action Plan.	
		Mr. Niles listed some of the benefits of moving forward with this type of plan: -Demonstrated City pursuit of enhanced mobility for all citizens, voters and taxpayers; -Demonstrated official interest in mobility support for non-driver citizens, both young and old; - Demonstrated regional and national transportation improvement leadership;	

		- Some new local employment opportunities if the pilot project proceeds; - Positions the City for attracting other private sector initiatives related to vehicle automation. Mr. Niles outlined three action levels in choice of Resolution wording, as examples. The Committee acknowledged receipt of the completed study by CATES, and will consider further action on this topic. Councilmember Fernald currently does not see a sense of urgency regarding implementation of autonomous vehicles in SeaTac at this time but found all of the information educational.	
6	Adjourn		