

West Seattle Transportation Coalition
--DRAFT-- Meeting Minutes
March 23, 2017

I. Welcome and Introductions

Michael Taylor Judd called to order the regular meeting of the West Seattle Transportation Coalition (WSTC) at 6:36pm on March 23, 2017 at the High Point Neighborhood House.

Introductions of attendees:

WSTC Board – Michael Taylor-Judd, Chas Redmond, Mark Jacobs, Jon Wright, Paul Buchanan, Deb Barker

Guests – Paul *, Doug *, Scott *, Kim Barnes, Tracy Record, Dawn Schellenberg

II. *Approval of minutes:* The WSTC meeting minutes of February 23, 2017 were approved as amended.

III. *WSTC Board Membership* = Michael announced that the WSTC still has openings for two board positions.

IV. *Announcements:*

- The Lander Street Overpass Open House is March 30, 2017 -
- King County Metro wants to simplify their fare payment. Take the on-line survey to give your opinion.

V. *Old Business*

- WSTC Accomplishments – We have a new ½ page handout listing our accomplishments. This is a tool to be used for our on-line presence and to increase outreach to our community.
- WSTC had a table at the Fautleroy Food Fest on March 21. Michael and Vicki staffed the table and spoke to quite a few folks about transportation. Good Event!!

VI. *Presentation:* Delridge Way Multimodal Projects & Metro Rapid Ride H Planning, Dawn Schellenberg, Project Development - Seattle Department of Transportation, for more information, visit <http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/rapidrideh.htm>

Dawn noted she was filling in for SDOT project manager Therese Caspar. After covering SDOT's mission statement, vision statement and core values, the Powerpoint reviewed proposed alignment and road profiles associated with the Rapid Ride Line H on Delridge. Line H is part of the Seattle Rapid Ride expansion, along with augmented service and the upgrades to seven other Rapid Ride lines. The Delridge corridor is characterized as a unique street that is 4 miles long, with 235 driveways, five-foot wide sidewalks and 6,300 daily bus boardings. The Line H plans are at less than 10% design. Dawn presented two alternatives for bus lane and parking alignment that SDOT is seeking input on; the comment period ends on March 31.

There followed extensive discussion about corridor alignments, the proposed number of stops reduced from 28 to 23, the variety of lane widths, the need for SDOT to do outreach to West Seattle Bike Connections and a concern about the safety of protected bike lanes, Westwood Village transit upgrades that have been requested, and the existing condition of the Delridge corridor pavement since this project does not include full pavement replacement. Dawn was asked how this line is coordinating with ST3.

There was general consensus that the Rapid Ride H line routing should split and rejoin so that full service connection between Westwood Village and South Delridge is provided. Dawn was asked how the project leads are coordinating with ST3.

VII. *Planning for the ST3 Design Charette in June*

- Michael noted that the WSTC will be hosting a West Seattle based ST3 Design Charette at our June meeting. ST, Metro and SDOT will be asked to attend as we strive to “catch up” to the 7 design meetings that Ballard has had about their future light rail stations. Key discovery topics will be what is it that West Seattle wants to get out of the project vs. what Sound Transit wants. Discussion will include tunnel and elevated alignments and we want to be sure to include the business community. It was suggested to do bus tours of ST stations under construction, and be sure to ask the question – what will this do to the West Seattle Junction. Translation services should be available at the meeting check.

VIII. *Adjournment* - Michael Taylor Judd adjourned the meeting at 8:35 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Deb Barker, WSTC Recording Secretary