

Spokane Regional Transportation Council – Transportation Advisory Committee

12/18/2024| Meeting Minutes

Hybrid Meeting at SRTC, 421 W Riverside Ave Suite 500, Spokane WA 99201 and virtually on Zoom

1 Call to Order/Record of Attendance 3:00 PM

In Attendance:

Members

Michael Ankney
John Barber
Raychel Callery
David Eash
Charles Hansen
Katie Melby
Tom Sahlberg
Bill White
Kim Zentz

Guests

SRTC Staff

Lois Bollenback, *Executive Director*
Ryan Stewart, *Principal Transportation Planner*
David Fletcher, *Principal Transportation Planner*
Jason Lien, *Principal Transportation Planner*
Michael Redlinger, *Associate Transportation Planner 3*
Benjamin Kloskey, *Associate Transportation Planner*
Savannah Creasey, *Communications & PR Coord.*
Angel Jackson, *Executive Admin Coord.*

2 Public Comments

No comments

3 TAC Member Comments

Each member was given the opportunity to highlight events/projects in their respective areas.

4 Chair Report on SRTC Board of Directors Meeting

Chair Vose reviewed action and discussions from the previous SRTC Board meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

5 Consent Agenda

- a) November minutes for TAC Meeting and
- b) CY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) January Amendment

Mr. Sahlberg made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Hansen seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

6 Transportation Advisory Committee Chair & Vice Chair Elections

Mr. Fletcher provided an overview of the election process for the Chair and Vice Chair positions, highlighting the maximum term limit of two years. He also emphasized the responsibilities and roles associated with both positions.

Mr. Sahlberg nominated Mr. Vose to continue serving as the TAC Chair. Mr. White seconded the motion. With no additional nominations presented, Mr. Vose accepted the nomination. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ankney stated he would like to continue as the Vice Chair. Mr. Barber nominated Ms. Ankney to continue serving as the TAC Vice Chair. With no other nominations offered, Mr. Ankney accepted the nomination. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

7 Transportation Performance Management: PM1 Safety

Mr. Ulrich provided an overview of the annual process required for transportation performance management, focusing on the PM1 safety measures. He explained that this program serves as the mechanism for tracking and improving safety performance through five key measures, each of which he reviewed in detail. Mr. Ulrich outlined how data for these measures is calculated, emphasizing the five-year "look-back" period, which reveals a negative trend in safety outcomes. He noted that the state is required to set targets annually and report them to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Mr. Ulrich demonstrated how targets are measured under PM1 and clarified that separate targets exist within the Regional Safety Action Plan (RSAP). He emphasized the federal requirement to establish annual targets and concluded by outlining next steps, including bringing the discussion back next month to make a recommendation to the SRTC Board.

8 2025 Call for Projects Criteria & Principles of Investment

Mr. Stewart outlined the 2025 Call for Projects (CFP), allocating \$36 million for 2027-2029. He outlined the criteria, application process, and funding allocations. Proposed set-asides include 23% for preservation projects, 3.75% (\$1.35M) for small cities, \$1.5M for planning, an undetermined amount for an I-90 study, and \$2.8M for SRTMC operations. He noted that fewer applications are expected due to limited funding. With Board approval, the CFP will be released on February 14, 2025, and a timeline was provided.

9 Regional Activity Center Update

Mr. Fletcher presented an overview of SRTC's Regional Activity Centers and the various planning efforts they inform. He explained why they are being updated, highlighting refinements to the methodology used to identify and evaluate them. This includes increasing the precision with which Activity Center boundaries are drawn, based on feedback SRTC has received in the past. He then provided details on the methodology for identifying and classifying Activity Centers and introduced the Regional Activity Index, detailing its indicators and point system. He also showcased mapping efforts to identify activity hot spots.

#10 Congestion Management Process (CMP) Strategies

Mr. Fletcher discussed the Congestion Management Process strategies, which are contained in two documents: the Toolkit of Strategies and Strategies Matrix. The Toolkit is a compilation of strategies to address congestion that could realistically be applied in the Spokane region, with each strategy outlining key details such as cost range, description, and applicable locations. The Matrix identifies specific strategies from the Toolkit that are applicable for each Tier 1 CMP Corridor and helps ensure a least cost planning approach. These documents were updated based on feedback received during the CMP strategies workshop SRTC held in October.

11 Agency Updates and Future Information Items

No comments

12 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm.

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Angel Jackson, Recording Secretary