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AGENDA

Regional Transit Task Force

June 17, 2010

5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Mercer Island Community Center

8236 SE 24th Street, Mercer Island

(Dinner will be provided for task force members)

- 5:30 Review Agenda and Introductions (*John Howell and Task Force*)
- 5:35 Report on Initial Sub Group Meetings – Cost Control/Efficiency and Performance Measures
- 5:50 Discussion of Service Scenarios
- Explanation of service scenarios
- 6:20 Small Group Discussion of Service Scenarios
- Which of these service types is most important in shaping the transit system, and why?
 - Is your view of the most important service scenarios consistent with your view about the relative importance of the six key factors(*)?
 - How would you prioritize these service scenarios and why?
 - If you were to create a transit system that was shaped to some extent by each of these objectives (productivity, mobility, congestion relief, and geographic equity), how would you weight each?
- 7:10 Break
- 7:20 Small Groups Report Back to Full Group
- What were similarities and differences between two group's discussions?
 - Does it suggest consensus emerging around service scenarios?
- 8:15 Discussion of Transit Service Partnerships Between Metro and Communities That Develop in a Manner that supports High Transit Ridership (*Group*)
- What types of actions would qualify as developing “in a manner that supports high transit ridership”?

- What kind of “benefit” would those communities receive?

8:45 Public Comment

8:55 Upcoming Meeting Date and Topics (*Howell*)

9:00 Adjourn

(*) The six factors effecting system design: land use, social equity and environmental justice, financial sustainability, geographic equity, economic development, and productivity and efficiency)

Directions to Mercer Island Community Center:

8236 SE 24th Street
Mercer Island, WA 98040
(206) 275-7609

I-90 Eastbound from Seattle: take exit #7A, 77th Ave SE. Turn left across the freeway. At stop sign turn right onto North Mercer Way. Go one long block to the stop light. Go straight though the stop light. Turn left onto 81st Avenue SE. Turn right onto SE 24th Street. The Community Center is two blocks up on your left.

I-90 Westbound from Bellevue: take exit #7, Island Crest Way. Continue straight ahead. Turn right on 81st Avenue SE. Turn right on SE 24th Street. The Community Center is two blocks up on your left.

Bus Route Information from Seattle:

ST routes 550 and 554 serve a pair of stops on North Mercer Way next to the Mercer Island Park-and-Ride. Each route serves that pair and no other stops on the island, so if riders miss their stop, they will miss Mercer Island. The drivers usually announce that stop: "Mercer Island P&R".

The westbound stop to Seattle from Bellevue is westbound on the north side of the arterial; the eastbound stop to Bellevue from Seattle is eastbound on the south side of the arterial.

The community center lies northeast of the park-and-ride. Walk north on 81st Avenue SE, east on NE 24th Street, and north into the community center lot. There is a traffic light to aid the crossing of North Mercer Way from the eastbound stop.

Routes 203 and 213 serve the community center going westbound toward the P&R, but they do not offer trips at the end of the meeting. The last westbound trips are due to reach the P&R at 5:19, 5:49, and 6:55 p.m., so they would go past the community center a few minutes before that.

We suggest that you use Metro's Trip Planner to plan your route at:

http://tripplanner.kingcounty.gov/cgi-bin/itin_page.pl?resptype=U

Carpooling:

- Task Force members should feel free to use the roster information in their notebooks to contact other task force members about carpooling. (Task force member Tom Rasmussen offered via email to carpool with other task force members returning to Seattle.)