



King County

## AGENDA

Regional Transit Task Force

August 19, 2010

5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Mercer Island Community Center

8236 SE 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Mercer Island

*(Dinner will be provided for task force members)*

5:30 Review Agenda and Introductions (*John Howell and Task Force*)

5:35 Follow Up on Request for Schedule Extension

5:45 Discussion of Criteria for Potential Service Additions (*Group*)

- Presentation of a 10-year service growth concept based on proposed criteria.
- Do the suggested criteria provide the right mix and balance of policy direction?
  - Should the criteria emphasize supporting the employment and population patterns consistent with the 2040 plan?
  - The proposed criteria recommend a combination of services that will *follow* growth (respond to ridership growth), and *lead* growth (supporting the regional growth plan and connecting designated population and employment centers). Should service additions be based on the principle of both following and leading growth?
  - Should the proposed criteria recognize the importance of providing geographic balance, without suggesting a formula for distribution of service?
  - Which of the three approaches should be used for the restoration of service?

7:00 Break

7:10 Continue Discussion of Draft Criteria for Potential Service Additions

8:05 Overview of Funding Options Paper

8:20 Public Comment

8:25 Next Steps/ Update on Schedule (*Howell*)

8:30 Adjourn

## **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 through 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 trip 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](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.)