

09/27/23

### **Board Members in Attendance**

Ashwin Bhumbra

Art Kuniyuki

Christiano Martinez

Zachary Burton

Dana Coppernoll-Houston

Carolyn Tillinger

Braxton Williams

### **SDOT**

Carolyn Birkenfield

Matt Yarrow

Michelle Abunaja

Ben Rosenblatt

Serena Lehman

### **Introductions**

- Introing the new members

### **Public Comment, Approval of Previous Minutes**

- No public comment
- Ashwin motions to approve the August minutes
  - Christiano seconds
  - New members abstain
    - Zachary Burton
    - Dana Coppernoll-Houston
    - Carolyn Tillinger
    - Braxton Williams
  - The motion passes unanimously

### **Seattle Transportation Plan**

- Why does Seattle need this plan now?
  - Invest in equity
  - Protect people
  - Cultivate Green Transportation
  - Connect Jobs and Housing
  - Expand Affordable Access
  - Evolve with Emerging Trends
  - Reflect Community Priorities
- How does STP relate to other plans
  - Comprehensive plan
    - More development/housing focused
  - STP
    - As city grows, need to factor in how transportation will work.
- 27% of land in Seattle is public land, right-of-way

- STP goals
  - Safety
  - Mobility
  - Equity
  - Livability
  - Sustainability
  - Maintenance & Modernization
- Lot of outreach done with the public in a variety of ways, including underrepresented communities
- What SDOT heard from public
  - Reallocate street space while keeping essential traffic moving
- Transit element
  - Frequent and reliable service
  - Connected system with safe and secure transfers between lines and services
  - Reliable first and last mile connections
  - Accessibility for all, including programs to ensure cost is not a barrier
  - Readily available information to plan trips
  - Safe, secure, connected stops/stations
  - Clear, inviting nearby pedestrian spaces
- Questions
  - Zach asking about making sure there is a plan for all neighborhoods going forward, not just those that already heavily rely on transit
  - Ashwin makes a comment about wanting to make sure that reducing vehicle miles traveled being an explicit goal. Talks about how with how comprehensive the plan is, certain desires (flow of goods and freight) could conflict with other desires and that reducing the amount of cars on the road is key to achieving all safety and climate goals.

### **Levy to Move Seattle Updates**

- Levy Categories
  - Safe routes
  - Maintenance and Repair
  - Congestion Relief
- Congestion relief
  - Complete seven transit-plus multimodal corridor projects
  - Develop plans and complete improvements to enhance the NE 45th St Corridor
  - Plan corridor improvements for Aurora Ave N
  - Complete Burke-Gilman Trail Missing Link
    - Delayed due to ongoing litigation
- Questions
  - What goals did the Levy fail to hit
    - Bicycle safety program is getting short of mileage goals
    - Multimodal corridor projects
      - Burke Gilman

- Fauntleroy
- S Graham St light rail station
  - Sound Transit timeline went past the timeline of the levy

## Board Business

- Follow ups
  - Talking about STP response letter
    - Art has a first draft
    - Getting people interested in a subcommittee
    - People like the idea of a google doc so even members who can't commit to sub committee meetings can contribute
  - Move Seattle Levy
    - We need a representative for the Levy Oversight Committee
    - Art was our most recent rep and has a report back from the most recent meeting
    - Christiano will step in for the next meeting.
  - Budget subcommittee
    - Mayor released high level budget yesterday
      - [https://www.seattle.gov/city-budget-office?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](https://www.seattle.gov/city-budget-office?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)
      - <https://www.seattle.gov/council/committees/select-budget-committee>
    - SDOT is trying to get more specifics and will be able to meet with budget subcommittee in the next week
    - Ashwin, Braxton, Zach, Art
  - Talking about officer elections
    - Christiano will run for Vice Chair
    - Ashwin will run for Co-Chair
    - Art will run for Co-Chair