**Seattle Freight Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**

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The Seattle Freight Advisory Board shall advise the City Council, the Mayor, and all departments and offices of the City in development of a functional and efficient freight system and on all matters related to freight and the impact that actions by the City may have upon the freight environment.

City Council Resolution 31243

**Date and Time:** April 17th, 2018

**Location:** Seattle City Hall, L280

**Members Present:** Hal Cooper Jr., Geri Poor, Frank Rose, Johan Hellman, Mike Elliott, Dan McKisson, Kristal Fiser

**Guests Present:** Warren Aakervik, Jude Willcher- SDOT, Kristen Simpson - SDOT

1. **Welcome and Introductions**

Board members and other attendees introduced themselves

1. **Public Comment**

None

1. **Approval of Minutes**

March minutes to be reviewed.

1. **Announcements & Chair’s Report**
2. **Progress on Statement of Legislative Intent: Alley Operations – Jude Willcher - SDOT**

Jude Willcher spoke on progress of the Council-requested report on short and long-term options to reduce congestion and improve access in downtown alleys. Building operations have become an access and operations issue for parking, deliveries and livability.

 **Other Topics Discussed:**

* Land use
* Loading Zones
* Multiple Departmental review
* Utilities and Life-safety
* Maintenance
1. **Updated Vehicle Counts – Chris Eaves, Jude Willcher**

Discussed initial review of Heavy Haul network findings that indicate a more robust count method needs to be developed to better record large vehicle movement. We hope to work with our data group and the UW to develop a process.

1. **Umbrella Communications to Goods Movers: Chris Eaves - SDOT**

Chris Eaves discussed the near and mid-term changes coming to the downtown neighborhoods and polled the SFAB membership requesting contacts for shippers in the local and regional area that should be contacted ahead of changes in the near future. Frank Rose volunteered to help develop a list of shippers outside the SFAB meeting.

1. **Congestion Pricing – What Have we Heard – Kristen Simpson**

The concept of congestion pricing was in the news recently, and SDOT has been tasked with developing a scope of work to research what congestion pricing might look like in Seattle. Kristen noted that this is a scope project rather than a project itself.

SFAB indicated that there is very little flexibility in scheduling for goods movement and asked that trucks in any pricing scheme be given consideration of that fact.

1. **Draft Multi-Board Letter to Mayor**

The Bike, Pedestrian, and Transit Boards are working on a letter to Mayor Durkan to discuss what they would like to see in a new SDOT Director. After discussion, Jeanne Acutanza has volunteered to draft some bullet points to add to this letter.

Discussion also indicated that the board would like to draft a separate letter to the Mayor with greater detail about freight needs.

1. **May’s Agenda – Chris Eaves SDOT**
2. **Adjourn**

11:30AM