



# City of Seattle

## Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

Department of Transportation  
Sam Zimbabwe, Director

### Seattle Freight Advisory Board

### Seattle Freight Advisory Board Meeting Summary

Date and Time: November 19, 2019

Location: City Hall Boards and Commissions Room L280

#### Members Present:

Warren Aakervik	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1	Warren Aakervik	<input type="checkbox"/>	7	Vacant
Todd Biesold	<input type="checkbox"/>	2	Todd Biesold	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8	Pat Cohen
Kristal Fiser	<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Kristal Fiser	<input type="checkbox"/>	9	John Persack
Jeanne Acutanza, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4	Jeanne Acutanza (Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/>	10	Frank Rose
Johan Hellman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5	Johan Hellman	<input type="checkbox"/>	11	Kris DeBuck
Mike Elliott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6	Mike Elliott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12	Geri Poor (Port of Seattle)
Vacant						
Pat Cohen						
John Persack						
Frank Rose						
Kris DeBuck						
Geri Poor						

#### Guests Presenters:

NONE

#### Public Present:

NONE

#### SDOT Staff Present:

Venu Nemani – Board Liaison  
Cass Magnuski - Transcription

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Board Members and Attendee introductions on the call

#### 2. Public Comment

NONE

#### 3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes approval was deferred

#### 4. Announcements & Chair's Report

Venu presented a draft of Short Meeting Minutes.

The short minutes along with any presentation material will be posted to the SFAB website in the future. Geri announced that the deadline for scoping comments on T-46 was extended to November 27, 2019. Jeanne announced an upcoming ITE presentation about curbside technologies.

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

## 5. 2020 Look Ahead – Freight Spot Improvement Program – Venu Nemani

Venu Nemani presented potential projects that will be pursued under the Freight Spot Improvement Program. They are:

- 1) Overhead Signage Upgrades: Along West Seattle Bridge corridor
- 2) Truck Network Counts: Review/collect cordon counts to support Freight Master Plan update
- 3) TRAINFO Pilot Expansion: Expand TRAINFO (Train detection technology through ITS) on Alaskan Way from Broad St to Wall St.
- 4) Support for Ballard Neighborhood Multimodal Review (FMP Project #6): Collect/review truck counts to support Freight projects and Ballard Interbay Regional Transportation (BIRT) study
- 5) Median Parking under Spokane St east of East Marginal Way: As part of Safe and Swift agreement, work with Port and ILWU to address parking
- 6) T-5 Gate Queue Management Plan: Review GQMP submitted by the tenant of T-46 to identify additional opportunities for improvements in collaboration with Port
- 7) T-5 Reimbursable Projects: Work with Port to implement MUP requirements for T-5 expansion. These include:
  - a) Terminal 5 Access Improvement Project: \$4.5M *Expected to increase due to property acquisition*
  - b) Quiet Zone FRA Administrative Process: \$200k
  - c) Signal/ITS Upgrades: \$550k
- 8) SODO BIA Improvements: Signal timing and channelization improvements in Georgetown
- 9) Georgetown Railroad Crossing Improvements: Upgrade five existing crossings in the Georgetown area to meet MUTCD standards
- 10) UW – UFL Research Projects: Work with UW SCTL to review truck counts in Ballard area and support BIRT study. Coordinate with UW on other research efforts

The above projects are a preliminary list that will be pursued through the Freight Spot Improvement program. Any changes to the list will be presented to SFAB at future meetings. Venu also presented 2020 milestones:

- Complete Video Count Collection and Review – March 2020
- BINMIC/Ballard Study – December 2020
- FMP Implementation Plan Update to Council (2018, 2019 and partial 2020) – July 2020
- FMP 5-year Update – Contracting to begin in 2020 Q4 with the process starting Jan’ 21

## 6. Good of the Order

Warren raised the issue of design standard for major truck streets. There was a conversation about reviewing the recommended lane widths, parking lane widths, curb radius etc. Jeanne asked if Susan from OCPD can participate in a future discussion on how to review/revise these recommendations in Streets Illustrated. Venu presented preliminary results from

monitoring of Viaduct opening. The traffic in the tunnel only decreased by approximately 25% since tolling began. A greater reduction was anticipated but did not materialize.

**Adjourn**  
11:30AM

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