

10/28/2022 TAC Meeting 1







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INTRODUCTIONS TAC ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES





DEFINING RAPID TRANSIT THE COMMUNITY

GROUP BREAKOUT 1



- Who are the users?
- How does service operate (frequency, days, times, etc.)?
- What amenities are provided at bus stop?
- What kind of infrastructure or transit treatments are provided?
- What does the surrounding area look like?



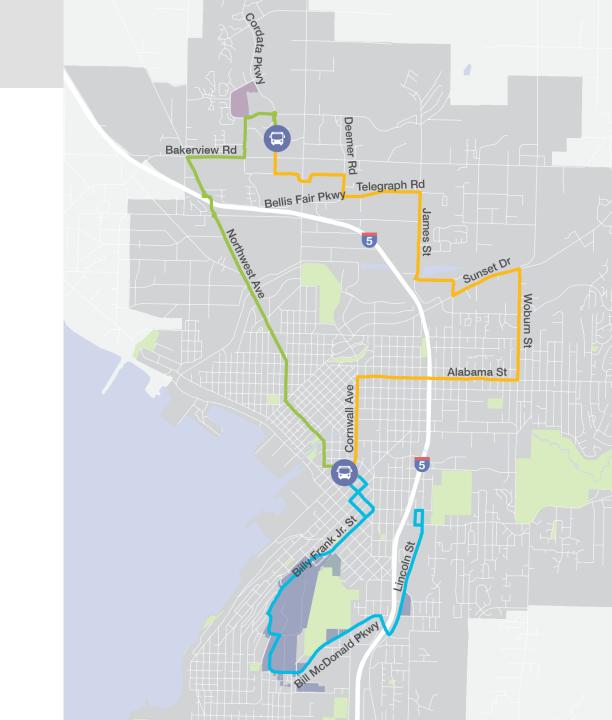




PROJECT OVERVIEW

STUDY AREA & NEED

- WTA 2040 Long Range Plan
- Strengthen region's transit backbone
- City's Urban Villages and Transit
 Corridors approach
- Degrading route on-time performance
- Community prioritizes frequent transit service



CONSULTANT OBJECTIVES





Evaluate transit infrastructure improvements to improve the speed and reliability



Identify a Locally
Preferred Alternative
for potential bus rapid
transit system



Prepare work to enable WTA to obtain local, state and federal funding



SCHEDULE









STUDY OUTCOMES

- Consultant Deliverables
 - Report summarizing Rapid
 Transit alternatives evaluation
 and recommendations
 - Priority list for transit improvements
 - Design and planning cost for up to 5 solutions/treatments

- Positioning for Funding/ Grant Opportunities
- Preferred Alternative for Rapid Transit Project
- Inform Planning Citywide and Development projects







GOALS/KEY QUESTIONS DISCUSSION

GROUP BREAKOUT 2



- What key questions should be answered related to Rapid Transit?
- What does success look like in the community for Rapid Transit?
- What community values can be supported by Rapid Transit?







EXISTING CONDITIONS

OVERVIEW OF INITIAL FINDINGS

- Gold Go Line makes numerous turns between the Cordata and Bellingham Stations impacting performance and safety
- Woburn Street/Alabama Street intersection problem area
- Lincoln Street/Lakeway Drive intersection is a key problem area Green/Blue Go Lines
- Existing and future transit-supportive land uses are similar between the study corridors
- Downtown has highest rates of zero vehicle households
- Number of closely spaced stops with limited ridership that considered for elimination or consolidation
- Blue Go Line does not meet all on-time performance criteria





GROUP DISCUSSION



- What is missing from the existing conditions?
- What key problems do you see along the routes?
- Any potential improvements that could address problem areas?
- What surprised you in the existing conditions review?







NEXT STEPS

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TAC Meeting Follow-up Work

Transpo/WTA Develop Goals and Refined Definition of Rapid Transit



TAC Coordination

Share information through webpage

Meeting 2 Jan/Feb – Feedback on Alternatives



Consultant Work

Future ridership forecasting
Alternatives analysis

