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TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY GROUP (TODAG) MEETING NOTES

MEETING NUMBER: 5
MEETING DATE: December 16, 2019

Members Present: Don Erickson, Roberta Schur, Janice McNeal, David Daniello, Justin Leighton, Daren Crabill, Kerri Hill. Imad Bahbah, Cathy Reines

Visitors Present: Sue Comis (Sound Transit), Chan & Christina (ST Consultants), Greg Ball (VIA-Architecture)

City Staff Support: Ian Munce (PDS), Brian Boudet (PDS)

Meeting Facilitator: Keith Walzak (VIA-Architecture)

Item 01: Introductions

- Meeting called to order at 4:05pm in Room 243 of TMB by Keith Walzak
- No Announcements / No Public Comment

Item 02: Chair / Co-Chair Selection

- This item was pushed to the January 2020 meeting

Item 03: Tacoma District Overview

- Ian Munce provided an overview, including the following highlights:
 - o Dome District visioning and plan occurred prior to ST3 Central LINK Light Rail Extension funding approved by voters
 - o District zoning only looked at current zoning structure – proposed new zone classifications were not taken into consideration
 - o The City does not require SEPA review in the transit district
 - o Public/Private Partnerships will be required to advance a full vision for the LINK extension station
 - o Freighthouse Square Bldg. – need to understand the owner’s intent
 - Not a historically designated structure, but significant
 - o Public – Public – Private Partnerships potential
 - City of Tacoma, Sound Transit, State, Pierce Transit, private development, etc.
 - o ULI-TAP report is supportive and consistent with vision
 - o Possibility of a PDA (Public Development Authority)
 - o What is Sound Transit’s interest?
 - A bigger vision / concept would require a partnership agreement
 - o Ian stressed that a vision for how it fits together in this place must come from THIS committee
 - o Amtrak Station – intentional design to encourage useful space adjacent to the station
 - For a new station, what is the amenity, the ‘there-there’?

Item 04: Station Design Best Practices

- Greg Ball (VIA -Architecture) presented 5 Case Studies and discussed how each relates to the key design consideration the group has been exploring

Item 05: Sound Transit Central Link Station Locations

- Sue Comis and the Sound Transit Consultant team provided an overview of the six proposed light rail transit stations locations
- The Group, utilizing an evaluation matrix, began a discussion about each of the station locations as they relate to the key design principles of Multi-Modal Connectivity, Economic Development, Placemaking and Urban Form, Social and Cultural, and Community Benefit
- The TODAG asked clarifying questions and provide some initial input
- See attached summary of initial input

Item 06: Future Agenda Items**HOT TOPICS**

- Summarize final TODAG input on proposed LINK station locations
- Chair / Co-Chair selection
- TODAG 2020 Work Plan

Meeting ended at 6:00pm