

**CITY of TACOMA**  
**TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY GROUP (TODAG)**  
**MEETING NOTES**

*(Reviewed and Approved on June 27, 2022)*

**MEETING NO.:** 23  
**MEETING DATE:** February 28, 2022

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**Members Present:** Chair Imad Bahbah, Daren Crabill (arrived at 4:18 p.m.), David D’Aniello (departed at 4:26 p.m.), Kerri Hill, Cathy Reines, Matt Stevens (departed at 5:26 p.m.), Laura Svancarek, Christine Wolf

**Visitors:** Stephen Antupit (COT/PDS), Carl Metz (COT/PDS), Wesley Rhodes (COT/PDS), Sean Robertson (Pierce Transit), Amber Stanley (Pierce Transit)

**Staff Support:** Brian Boudet (COT/PDS), Lihuang Wung (COT/PDS), Mary Crabtree (COT/PDS)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Imad Bahbah called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

1. Mr. Boudet introduced new PDS staff members, Stephen Antupit, Carl Metz, and Wesley Rhodes.
2. The meeting notes of the December 13, 2021, special meeting were reviewed.
3. There was no public comment.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**1. TODAG Operations (Attachment 2)**

- (a) Chair Bahbah and Mr. Boudet outlined City Council Resolution No. 40889 and what it means for the Group.
- (b) Chair outlined the Transportation Commission’s (TC) letter on concerns regarding TODAG’s scope, perspectives, goals, and structure. The group discussed the concern of easy passage of freight traffic and potentially having a joint meeting with TC.
- (c) Mr. Boudet outlined TODAG’s upcoming review schedule for 2022, and Mr. Wung reviewed staff suggestions for review items.
- (d) Mr. Wung reviewed the Group’s membership requirements and recent recruitment for vacant positions.

**2. Pierce Transit Updates**

- (a) Mr. Robertson presented the Pacific Avenue Stream Corridor and Stream System Expansion update, including a definition of bus rapid transit (BRT); BRT route overview; BRT lane types; and key changes, noting curbside stations between 64<sup>th</sup> and 84<sup>th</sup>, a roundabout at 96<sup>th</sup>, and station refinements.
- (b) The Group discussed concerns regarding pedestrian safety at crosswalks at the roundabout, accommodations for freight needs and the ability for vehicles to remain in their lanes,

outreach to the disability community to address safety concerns, and a warning system for pedestrians.

- (c) Mr. Robertson further reviewed station features, specifications, and lighting concepts.
- (d) The Group discussed adding additional benches, lighting, concerns on weather protection, and artwork.
- (e) Mr. Robertson outlined the project timeline, phases, and funding; and provided a budget update.
- (f) Ms. Stanley presented the Stream Expansion Study, including the four routes that are being analyzed, study timeline and milestones, estimated project schedule, the Technical Advisory Committee invitees, public survey information, and contact information.

### **3. TODAG Leadership – Chair and Vice-Chair for 2022**

- (a) Mr. Wung noted that there are only six Group members present and suggested postponing the discussion and decision for TODAG leadership. The Group agreed to postpone.

## **COMMUNICATION ITEMS**

### **1. Future Agenda Items**

- (a) Chair Bahbah reviewed potential future agenda items.

### **2. New Business / Closing Comments**

- (a) Mr. Boudet informed the group that the virtual meeting format may be changing in the near future and that the City Council is testing hybrid meetings.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.