



City of Tacoma  
Transportation Commission

March 28, 2024

Puget Sound Regional Council  
1201 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Suite 500  
Seattle, WA 98101

Subject: Puyallup Avenue Corridor Project Letter of Support

Dear Puget Sound Regional Council,

The Transportation Commission (Commission) is excited about the opportunity to improve the Puyallup Avenue corridor. We respectfully ask that you support funding for the Puyallup Ave Corridor Improvements with Pedestrian Access to Fife project. The Commission has received several presentations on the Puyallup Avenue Corridor and has actively participated in discussions with the community and stakeholders.

The Puyallup Avenue corridor is a gateway to our downtown core and hub for thousands of individuals utilizing the Tacoma Dome, Amtrak, Greyhound, and Sounder Stations. Prioritizing bicycle, pedestrian, and transit access and safety is key to the City's commitment to equity and anti-racism, supporting active transportation and ADA accessibility, and addressing climate change.

When completed, this project will serve existing transit riders as well as Sound Transit's planned Tacoma Link Extension stations at the Tacoma Dome and on Portland Avenue, bringing reliable access to the Port of Tacoma, Puyallup Tribe of Indians, downtown, and Eastside of Tacoma.

This project directly supports goals and policies set forth in the Transportation Master Plan and will further the ongoing effort to build a balanced transportation network that provides mobility options, accessibility, equity, and economic vitality for all. Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to a better Tacoma.

Sincerely,

Bruce Morris  
Transportation Commission Co-Chair

Matt Stevens  
Transportation Commission Co-Chair