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1 **STRIKING AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED ORDINANCE 2016-0005, VERSION**

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3 On page 1, beginning on line 5, strike everything through page 5, line 74, and insert:

4 "STATEMENT OF FACTS:

5 1. The King County council adopted the King County Metro Strategic
6 Plan for Public Transportation 2011-2021 ("strategic plan") and the King
7 County Metro Service Guidelines ("service guidelines") in July 2011.

8 2. The regional transit task force recommended that the strategic plan and
9 service guidelines focus on transparency and clarity, cost control,
10 productivity, social equity, geographic value and sustainable funding.

11 3. In 2010, the first-ever countywide King County Strategic Plan 2010-
12 2014 was adopted via Ordinance 16897, establishing prioritized goals,
13 objectives and strategies for the programs and services of King County
14 government. This countywide plan was also intended to provide a
15 framework for all agency-level strategic planning, including planning for
16 the transit division.

17 4. The strategic plan and service guidelines build on the King County
18 Strategic Plan 2010-2014 and the policy framework and recommendations
19 of the regional transit task force and are also guided by the challenges
20 King County Metro faces: population and economic growth, demographic
21 changes, funding, the environment, customer service and satisfaction,
22 access to transit, and an evolving transportation system.

23 5. The strategic plan and service guidelines are meant to be living
24 documents setting the policy for and guiding the implementation of the
25 Metro transit service network while responding to growth throughout the
26 county, while also incorporating regular review of policies by the regional
27 transit committee.

28 6. Ordinance 17143, Section 6, which adopted the strategic plan and
29 service guidelines, directed the executive to transmit to the council an
30 ordinance to update the strategic plan and service guidelines by April 30,
31 2012, 2013 and 2015, and as necessary thereafter for the purpose of
32 validating policy intent of the strategic plan.

33 7. Ordinance 18029, Section 1, changed the due date for the April 30,
34 2015 update to December 15, 2015, to allow for the formation of a
35 regional stakeholder task force called for in the 2015/2016 Biennial
36 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17941, Section 113, Proviso P1 to provide
37 recommendations that influence the updates to the strategic plan and
38 service guidelines.

39 8. In February 2015, the council passed Motion 14304, adopting the work
40 plan for a regional stakeholder transit task force that convened from
41 March through October 2015. The task force made consensus
42 recommendations in October, 2015 after reviewing the following policy
43 areas identified in the charge:

44 a. How transit service performance is measured as specified in the
45 service guidelines to reflect the varied purposes of different types of
46 transit service;

47 b. Approaches to evaluating how the goal of geographic value is
48 included in the service guidelines, including minimum service standards;

49 c. Approaches to evaluating how the goal of social equity is included in
50 the service guidelines;

51 d. Financial policies for purchase of additional services within a
52 municipality or among multiple municipalities; and

53 e. Guidelines for alternative services implementation.

54 9. In addition to changes recommended by the regional stakeholder task
55 force, the legislation and updates to the strategic plan and service
56 guidelines include:

57 a. Changes necessary to account for separately adopted transit policy
58 documents including updating the strategic plan and service guidelines;

59 b. Any proposed changes to address unanticipated issues associated with
60 implementing the strategic plan and service guidelines, including the

61 factors that implement the concepts of productivity including land use,
62 social equity and geographic value;

63 c. Changes that may be necessary to achieve the five-year
64 implementation plan required in Ordinance 17143, Section 7;

65 d. Changes necessary to address the results of the collaborative process
66 required in Ordinance 17143, Section 8; and

67 e. Additional substantive changes proposed following regional transit
68 committee discussion.

69 10. In response to the regional transit task force recommendation to
70 consider alternative service products, the strategic plan for public
71 transportation establishes the goal of providing alternative services to
72 areas that are not well-served by fixed route service. The alternative transit
73 program was initiated through Ordinance 17143, Section 7, which directed
74 the establishment of a five-year implementation plan for alternatives to
75 traditional transit service delivery. Motion 13736 accepted the five-year
76 implementation plan and requested an annual report on alternative services
77 progress. Ordinance 17941, Section 113, as amended by Ordinance 18110,
78 Section 49, Proviso P8, established the 2015-2018 alternative services
79 demonstration program; and starting in 2014, the alternative services
80 annual report has been included in the annual service guidelines report
81 required by Ordinance 17143, Section 5, as amended by Ordinance 17597,
82 Section 1.

83 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:**

84 SECTION 1. The King County Metro Strategic Plan for Public Transportation
85 2011-2021 is hereby updated as provided in Attachment A to this ordinance and the King
86 County Metro Service Guidelines are hereby updated as provided in Attachment B to this
87 ordinance.

88 SECTION 2. The following are each hereby repealed:

- 89 A. Ordinance 17143, Section 3;
- 90 B. Ordinance 17386, Section 1;
- 91 C. Ordinance 17641, Section 1; and
- 92 D. Ordinance 17143, Section 4, as amended.

93 SECTION 3. A. The regional transit committee intends to monitor progress in
94 the implementation of:

- 95 1. The 2015-2018 alternative services demonstration program established by
96 Ordinance 17941, Section 113, as amended by Ordinance 18110, Section 49, Proviso P8;
- 97 2. Strategic plan strategies 2.1.1, 2.1.4, 6.2.3 and 6.2.4; and
- 98 3. The Planning Alternative Services section of the service guidelines.

99 B. To allow the committee to more-effectively monitor progress in the
100 implementation of alternative services and to consider possible future amendments to the
101 strategic plan and service guidelines pertaining to prioritization criteria, performance
102 measures and other aspects of the program, the transit division shall present updates to
103 committee meetings at least quarterly and as requested by the chair and vice chair
104 through approval of committee agendas. Each update shall include but not be limited to a
105 discussion of the status of community engagement efforts, project implementation, and
106 selected performance indicators; in addition:

107 1. The third quarter 2016 update shall include a summary of the findings of the
108 alternative services demonstration program eighteen month report required by Ordinance
109 17941, Section 13, Proviso P5;

110 2. The fourth quarter 2016 update shall be integrated with the annual service
111 guidelines report chapter on alternative services and shall include a schedule and process
112 for evaluating the prioritization criteria included in the 2015 service guidelines update to
113 aid in prioritizing projects when the demand for alternative services exceeds the revenues
114 necessary to fund said services;

115 3. The 2017 quarterly updates shall include a discussion of the schedule and
116 process for evaluating the alternative services prioritization criteria to allow for regional
117 transit committee participation in the process; and

118 4. The fourth quarter 2017 update shall be integrated with the annual service
119 guidelines report chapter on alternative services and shall include recommended options
120 for prioritization criteria as directed by subsection b."

121 Delete Attachment A, King County Metro Strategic Plan for Public Transportation 2011-
122 2021 2015 Update, and insert Attachment A, King County Metro Strategic Plan for
123 Public Transportation 2011-2021 2015 Update, dated April 27, 2016.

124 Delete Attachment B, King County Metro Service Guidelines 2015 Update, and insert
125 Attachment B, King County Metro Service Guidelines 2015 Update, dated April 27,
126 2016.

127 The clerk may correct manifest errors in spelling and punctuation and clerical,
128 typographical, formatting or numbering errors.

129 **EFFECT: (1) Amends the Statement of Facts to correct numbering of section 9 and**
130 **adds a new section 10 summarizing the legislative history of the alternative services**
131 **program. (2) Adds a new ordinance section 2 repealing the current Transit**
132 **Strategic Plan and current Service Guidelines, because these documents are entirely**
133 **replaced by the 2015 Updates. (3) Adds new section 3 that provides for regular**
134 **quarterly updates (briefings) to the RTC in 2016 and 2017 on the alternative**
135 **services program so the RTC may consider possible future amendments to the**
136 **Transit Strategic Plan and/or Service Guidelines relating to prioritization criteria**
137 **and performance measures; the fourth quarter 2016 update is to include a schedule**
138 **and process for evaluating prioritization criteria and is to be integrated with the**
139 **annual service guidelines report for 2016; the fourth quarter 2017 update is to**
140 **include Metro’s recommended options for prioritization criteria and is to be**
141 **integrated with the annual service guidelines report for 2017.**

142 **Deletes transmitted Attachment A (Strategic Plan update 2015) and Attachment B**
143 **(Service Guidelines update 2015) and replaces them with versions dated April 27,**
144 **which contain the Committee-recommended changes.**

145 **Attachment A changes include: (1) a revised performance measure of reduced fare**
146 **permits and usage (page 7 and 56); (2) the description of “transit activity centers”**
147 **(page 15); (3) list of other entities that Metro will work with to enhance Access to**
148 **Transit (page 19); (4) Strategy 2.1.1 paragraph describing alternative services**
149 **partnerships (page 29); (5) a revision to Strategy 2.1.4 identifying geographic**
150 **coverage service gaps as one of the problems addressed by alternative services, and**
151 **a clarifying edit to the text (page 30); (6) a revision to Strategy 3.2.4 identifying**

152 **park-and-ride signage as a priority (page 36); (7) modifying Strategy 6.3.1 language**
153 **concerning Metro’s response when a grant or partnership funding for a bus route is**
154 **ended (page 46).**

155 **Attachment B changes include: (1) revision of the corridor productivity thresholds**
156 **for clarity (“or” changed to “&”) (page 7); (2) correction of description of hourly**
157 **service to clarify the intended meaning of service every 60 minutes (page 11); (3)**
158 **revised definition of Urban routes to clarify that they serve the densest of the PSRC-**
159 **designated Regional Growth Centers and correcting the names of centers (“Seattle**
160 **Downtown,” “First Hill/Capitol Hill,” “the University Community”) (page 14); (4)**
161 **for Alternative Services, changes the term “allocation criteria” to “prioritization**
162 **criteria” in four places (page 23); (5) clarifies Alternative Services community**
163 **planning process identification of needs to include service agencies, jobs, education**
164 **(page 24); (6) modifies “Working with Partners” section to require public outreach**
165 **when there is partnership funding of bus service and revises the language explaining**
166 **how partnership-funded service hours are added to the bus route network (pages**
167 **25-26); (7) adds unincorporated area outreach to the list of outreach strategies (page**
168 **27); (8) corrects names of regional growth centers and a transit activity center**
169 **(pages 34-35, 41); and (9) deletes a duplicative entry in the list of transit corridors**
170 **(page 37). Additional typographical errors are corrected and are listed in the**
171 **Matrix. The clerk is authorized to correct manifest errors (these cannot change the**
172 **substance of the document).**