

METRO CONNECTS

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Regional Transit Committee

March 15, 2017

Today's Agenda

- Status Update
- Work Plan
- Introduce Staff Assessment of Existing Policies and Processes
- Start Partnerships Conversation

Status Update - Elements Timeline

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	2017	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	2018 Jan	
Element 1: How policy guidance drives decisions		• Overview of budget • Service decisions • Capital decisions												
							• Further discussion on how service and capital decisions are made • Identify and agree on policy gaps to explore							
Element 2: Identify Needed Policy Guidance							• Identify gaps							
										• Policy discussion on identified gaps				
Element 3: Input on Project Development					• Identify needs and projects with TAC									
										• Develop and share initial project schedule • Identify project readiness • Start to identify efficiencies, constraints, and partnership opportunities				
Work Plan Deliverables:												• Policy Report		
														• Biannual RTC Update
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Work Plan

Changes to Revised Work Plan since 2/23:

- Clarify Policy Report expectations
- Expand description of the 'Plan, Do, Check, Adjust' process
- More clearly identify RTC points of engagement

Clarity on Work Plan Deliverables

Policy Report Purpose:

Identify transit policy guidance for review, and timing for consideration

1. Describe how policy guidance influences timing and schedule
2. Gap Analysis to identify gaps in policy
3. Recommendations to include:
 - Near-term review
 - Long-term review
 - Methods for implementing change

Biannual Status Reports:

- Provide info on where we are in our policy guidance review
- Demonstrate how the policy guidance influences the regional project schedule

Preliminary Staff Assessment of Existing Policies and Processes

METRO CONNECTS Major Work Areas	
Partnerships <i>(focus on today)</i>	
Service Network	
Speed and Reliability	
Accessible Transportation Options	
Access to Transit	
Innovation and Technology	
Passenger Facilities	
Regional Integration	
Operations and System Preservation	
Boardings and Fares	
Customer Communications	
Managing Demand	
Transit-Oriented Development	
Critical Service Supports: Fleet, Layover, Workforce	

Known areas
needing guidance

Areas needing
further review

Areas that need
monitoring and
ongoing process
improvement

Partnership Policy Guidance from METRO CONNECTS

METRO CONNECTS expands our vision for partnerships

Service:

- Frequent Service
- Express Service
- Local & Flexible Service

Capital:

- Speed & Reliability
- Accessible Transportation Options
- Boardings & Fares
- Access to Transit
- Managing Demand
- Transit-oriented Development
- Fleet
- Layover Demand

Partnership Examples

Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service partnerships for fixed route service or potential Alternative Services
Capital	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utility, data, and signal investments such as transit signal prioritization • ROW designation or construction for priority transit use • Installation of passenger facilities • Staff time for project permitting and design
Transit Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cycling and pedestrian investments to enhance access to transit service • Parking management programs that create park-and-ride spaces or transit layover • Street network connectivity improvements
Land-use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoning measures that support increased density and mixed-uses • Land-use measures that contribute to higher concentrations of potential transit riders • In-fill over greenfield development prioritization • Urban design guidelines that support transit and active transportation

Partnership Policy Guidance from Strategic Plan

The Strategic Plan provides policies that guide our vision for partnerships:

- Promote Safety and Security *(1.1.1)*
- Create Alternative Services *(2.1.1 & 2.1.4)*
- Develop Transit Supportive Land-use & Reliability Improvements *(3.1.1 & 3.3.1)*
- Make Transit Affordable and Convenient *(3.1.2)*
- Enhance Access to Transit *(3.2.3 & 3.3.2)*
- Address Transit Parking Capacity *(3.2.4)*
- Secure Long-term Sustainable Funding *(6.3.1)*

Partnership Guidance from Service Guidelines

Service guidelines tell us how to form and implement partnerships

Service partnerships:

- 1)** Prioritize fully funded
- 2)** Prioritize 1/3 funded



Capital partnerships:

- Can range from in-kind contribution to fully funded infrastructure projects

Summary of Policy Guidance on Partnerships

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- Partnership Opportunities



Strategic Plan

- Partnerships Policy Language



Service Guidelines

- Partnerships Methodology



Potential Gaps in Partnership Guidance:

- Develop and/or improve Strategic Plan partnership language
- Broader definition and application of capital partnerships
- Impact of partnerships on regional project schedule

Discussion on Partnerships

- **How should partnerships influence the regional project schedule?**

Identifying Future Partnerships and Policies Needed

- **CHECK:** Bring Partnership guidance to policymakers
- **ADJUST:** Provide/update policy guidance to expand partnerships
- **PLAN:** Project & capacity identification
- **DO:** Identify Potential Partnerships
- **CHECK:** Evaluate Result

