

METRO CONNECTS

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Regional Transit Committee
April 19, 2017

Today's Agenda

- Status Update
- Transmitted Work Plan
- Overview of TAC outreach
- Continue 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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of budget • Service decisions • Capital decisions 										
									<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further discussion on how service and capital decisions are made • Identify and agree on policy gaps to explore 				
Element 2: Identify Needed Policy Guidance								<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify gaps 					
										<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy discussion on identified gaps 			
Element 3: Input on Project Development					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify needs and projects with TAC 								
										<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop and share initial project schedule • Identify project readiness • Start to identify efficiencies, constraints, and partnership opportunities 			
Work Plan Deliverables:										<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy Report 			
							<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biannual RTC Update 						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biannual RTC Update

Background on MCDP Work Plan

- Required by King County Council legislation
- Transmitted to Council on March 30, 2017
- Referred to RTC for review

Outline of MCDP Work Plan

- Overview of the MCDEP
- Process to establish the MCDP
- Description of elements and timeline
- Description of MCDP participants and their roles
- RTC and their role
- Timeline for establishment
- List of MCDP deliverables

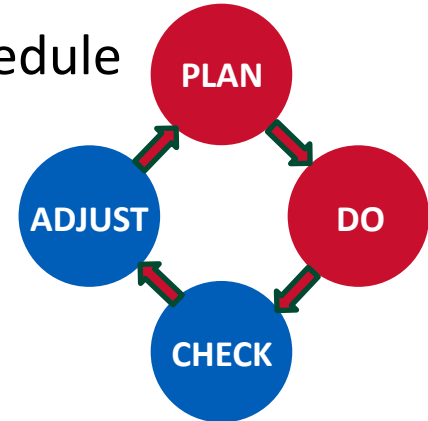
What is the MCDP Process

Technical Development:

1. **Plan:** Identify potential service and capital projects, and identify associated organizational capacity
2. **Do:** Collaborate with TAC on a regional project schedule to identify potential overlapping work

Policy Guidance and Input:

1. **Check:** Review regional project schedule with policymakers, regional leaders, and the public, and explain how policy guidance informed decisions
2. **Adjust:** Work with RTC and Council to adjust policy(ies) and adjust the regional project schedule



Elements of Legislation

Element	Work Plan's Approach
Element 1: Evaluate Existing Policy Guidance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluate service and capital policy guidance • With RTC, discuss how policies are made
Element 2: Identify Needed Policy Guidance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define and describe gaps identified in Element 1 • Focus first on Partnership policy guidance • Explore other potential policy guidance needed • With RTC, discuss and clarify policy and process guidance changes
Element 3: Provide Input on Project Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convene TAC to develop and revise regional project schedule • Share regional project schedule with King County Council, RTC and other regional leaders • With RTC and other, discuss and clarify policy and process guidance changes

MCDP Participants and Roles

Description of MCDP participants and their roles

- King County Executive and Metro
- Jurisdictions' and Agencies' staff
- King County Council
- Regional Leaders
- Public
- RTC

MCDP Deliverables

Deliverable	Description
2017 Policy Report	<p>Purpose is to identify transit policy guidance for review and timing for consideration</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Describe how policy guidance influences timing and schedule2. Gap Analysis to identify gaps in policy3. Recommendations for timing to address gaps
Biannual Status Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide info on where we are in our policy guidance review• Demonstrate how the policy guidance influences the regional project schedule
Regional Project Schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Align the scopes and schedules of regional projects, city, and transit agency projects• Identify system and cost efficiencies• Developed through Technical Advisory Committee process with input from RTC and others

Discussion of MCDP Work Plan

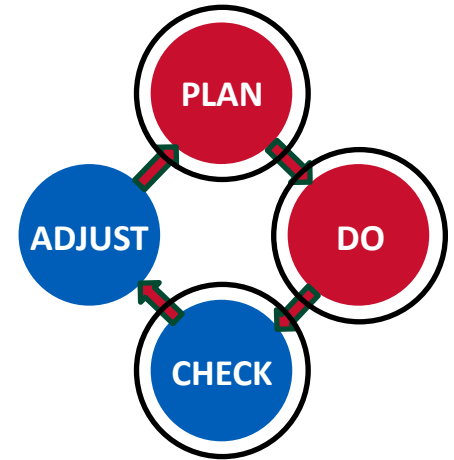
- **Edits or revisions?**
- **Any clarifications?**

MCDP Update

- Ongoing review of policy gaps
- TAC meetings were held in mid-March
- Developing first draft of regional schedule
- Still processing information submitted by cities and agencies

Current MCDP Activities

- **PLAN:** Identify METRO CONNECTS and jurisdiction projects by year
- **DO:** Create draft regional project schedule
- **CHECK:** Refine gap analysis and start policy work



Overview of TAC Outreach

- **3 TAC meetings** across King County
- **36 cities and agencies** attended
- **Over 500 city and agency capital and service projects** identified to-date
- **Next Steps:**
 - Continue collecting project information and to support service network
 - Build initial project schedule for Q2 TAC meeting

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

Considerations from Prior Discussions

RTC, staff, TAC, others identified the following considerations for planning partnerships

- Large cities vs. small cities
- Ability to financially contribute
- Clarify Fixed route vs. Metro Community Connections (*formerly Alternative Services*)

Service Partnerships

Current Service Partnership Options

- Prioritize fully funded
- Prioritize 1/3 funded as resources allow
- Metro Community Connections



Capital Partnerships Examples

Construction Coordination

- Jurisdictions lead projects that are higher cost for Metro
- Construction piggybacking to combine city and county capital project elements

Permitting

- Transit added as agency requiring sign-off on project review
- Permitting process improvements for transit projects

Policy Changes

- Prioritize non-motorized connections to transit services
- Code changes requiring development include transit capital elements

Repurpose Existing Resources

- Make land available for Metro needs
- Restriping or ROW to support bus speed and reliability

MCDP Alignment with Service Planning Process



Capital Partnerships Discussion

How do we build a framework and measure success?