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A MOTION relating to the King County Metro Transit Strategic Plan for Public Transportation 2011-2021 and King County Metro Transit Service Guidelines and accepting the King County Metro Transit 2014 Service Guidelines Report.

WHEREAS, the council adopted the King County Metro Transit Strategic Plan for Public Transportation 2011-2021 ("the Strategic Plan") and the King County Metro Transit Service Guidelines ("the Service Guidelines") in July 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Plan and Service Guidelines were to follow the recommendations of the regional transit task force regarding the policy framework for the Metro transit system, and

WHEREAS, the regional transit task force recommended that the Strategic Plan and Service Guidelines focus on transparency and clarity, cost control and productivity, and

WHEREAS, the regional transit task force further recommended that the policy guidance for making service reductions and service growth decisions be based on the following priorities:

1. Emphasize productivity due to its linkage to economic development, land use, financial stability, and environmental sustainability;
2. Ensure social equity; and
3. Provide geographic value throughout the county, and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 17143, Section 5, adopting the Strategic Plan and Service Guidelines directs that an annual Service Guidelines report of Metro's transit system, beginning with a baseline report in 2012, be transmitted by the executive to the council for acceptance by motion, and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 17597, Section 6.B., specifies that the annual Service Guidelines report also be

transmitted by October 31 of each year to the regional transit committee for consideration, and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 17143, Section 5.A., specifies that the annual Service Guidelines report include:

1. The corridors analyzed to determine the Metro All-Day and Peak Network with a summary of resulting scores and assigned service levels as determined by the Service Guidelines;
2. The results of the analysis including a list of transit corridors above and below their target service levels and the estimated number of service hours necessary to meet the needs of each corridor below its target service level;
3. The performance of transit services by route and any changes in the Service Guidelines thresholds since the previous reporting period, using the performance measures identified in chapter III of the Strategic Plan and in the Service Guidelines;
4. A list of transit service changes made to routes and corridors of the network since the last reporting period;
5. Network and rider connectivity associated with transit services delivered by other providers; and
6. A list of potential changes, if any, to the Strategic Plan and Service Guidelines to better meet their policy intent, and

WHEREAS, King County Metro staff has compiled the required information and the executive has transmitted the Service Guidelines report set forth as Attachment A to this motion to the council and to the regional transit committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

The King County Council hereby accepts the King County Metro Transit 2014 Service Guidelines Report, which is Attachment A to this motion.