CITY of TACOMA TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY GROUP (TODAG) MEETING NOTES

(Reviewed and Approved on December 13, 2021)

MEETING NO.: 21

MEETING DATE: October 18, 2021

Members Present: Chair Imad Bahbah, Daren Crabill, David D'Aniello, Kerri Hill, Chris Karnes, Janice McNeal, Cathy Reines, Roberta Schur, Matt Stevens, Laura Svancarek, Christine Wolf

Visitors: Mark D'Andrea (COT/Public Works), Diane Wiatr (Sound Transit), Matthew Mauer (Port of Tacoma)

Staff Support: Brian Boudet (COT/PDS), Lihuang Wung (COT/PDS), Mary Crabtree (COT/PDS)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Imad Bahbah called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Lihuang Wung introduced Diane Wiatr and Matthew Mauer.

- 1. The meeting notes of the September 20, 2021, meeting were reviewed.
- 2. There was no public comment.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Puyallup Avenue Design Project Update

- (a) Mark D'Andrea outlined the project update, including a project summary, a design criteria summary, and status and schedule.
- (b) The Group discussed the TOD District segment and C Street, quantity of lane miles by mode, if electric bikes and scooters are allowed in the bike lane, and interconnected signals on Puyallup Avenue.

Mr. Wung introduced the newest TODAG member, Matt Stevens.

2. TODAG Progress Report No. 3 – Proposed Edits

- (a) Mr. Wung reminded the Group of the comments that were provided at the previous TODAG meeting relating to the TODAG's Progress Report No. 2 and provided an update regarding the distribution of that report.
- (b) Mr. Wung further reminded the Group of the comments that were provided at the previous TODAG meeting relating to the TODAG's Progress Report No. 3 and outlined the proposed edits, noting the four main questions from the Transportation Commission.
- (c) The Group discussed forwarding the Progress Report No. 3 with the proposed edits, leading with equity, borrowing additional equity language from another jurisdiction, and adding equity language to the evaluation criteria.
- (d) Chair Bahbah requested that group members provide staff with additional comments, and staff will distribute the cover letter and report.

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3. TODAG's Next Steps

- (a) Chair Bahbah outlined the TODAG's draft presentation that is to be presented at the City Council study sessions on November 16, 2021, regarding TODAG's path forward.
- (b) Mr. Wung reviewed the intent of the presentation.
- (c) The Group discussed the Council sponsorship of TODAG, the scope seemingly focusing on the Dome area, staffing and resources, and appreciation for staff.

COMMUNICATION ITEMS

1. Future Agenda Items

(a) Chair Bahbah outlined the potential future agenda items.

2. New Business / Closing Comments

- (b) Chair Bahbah proposed cancelling the November 15, 2021, and December 20, 2021, meetings.
- (c) The Group discussed keeping a meeting in December for a recap of the study session presentation and reviewing next steps, cancelling both meetings and sending a memo to the Group, and potentially having a special meeting.
- (d) The Group agreed to cancel the November 15, 2021, and December 20, 2021, meetings and having a special meeting on December 13, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.