

Transit Advisory Commission

2018 Work Program
Goals, Objectives and Desired Outcomes

Introduction

The King County Transit Advisory Commission (TAC) helps improve transit services, planning, and programs by advising Metro, King County, and leaders about transit policy. Commission members include residents and other transit stakeholders. Our goal is to reflect the county's diversity. Most members ride the bus and all members live in King County. Each serves a two-year term. The Commission meets monthly or as needed. As set in our policy, half of our commission seats must be filled by people with disabilities or those who serve them.

1. Make TAC more relevant in decision making about plans, policies, programs, strategies and day to day operations so that customers are better served.

How: Invite the General Manager to monthly TAC meetings to stay informed on emerging policies, plans, programs and strategies as Metro moves into departmental status.

Process: Create process for how to communicate recommendations and get feedback from Metro.

People responsible: Staff to invite GM to meetings; members to discuss how to best use updates with GM.

End result: More direct communication with Metro leadership and influence over decision making.

2. Request periodic updates, feedback and comment on activities of the Accessible Services RFP Task Force.

How: Keep Accessible Services RFP Task Force as a standing item on the monthly TAC agenda, including review of the Task Force charter being currently drafted. If the Accessible Services RFP Task Force transitions to a standing committee, assess how the TAC relates to that committee and how/if the TAC charter needs changing. **Process:** Staff to stay informed about Access Task Force developments. Ask ATF or Metro staff to give update after charter is developed.

3. Support the Transit Department in its efforts to be an equal player at the table in local transportation planning—advocate for bus priority improvements with local jurisdictions.

How: TAC will be involved in short and long term service planning; Transit staff will come to TAC early in the planning process (ideally at the 10 percent level maximum) and at various intervals throughout the project. TAC will consider alternative meeting locations throughout the county. TAC will invite Council members or their staff to attend TAC meetings relevant to their districts.

Process: Identify specific projects to work on.