

**Kirkland Transportation Commission  
Meeting Notes  
Wednesday April 27, 2016**

An audio recording of the meeting is available on the [Transportation Commission Page](#) of the City website.

**Call to Order**

Chair Neir called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Members Present: Mike Snow, Ken Dueker, Lisa McConnell, Tom Pendergrass, Kurt Ahrensfield, Kirkland Staff Present: Kathy Brown, David Godfrey, Dave Snider, Rod Steitzer, Kari Page, Steven Padua; Public Works Department; Jim Lopez; Human Resources Department. Others Present: Graydon Newman, King County Metro.

**Review of past meeting notes**

Notes from the March 23, 2016 meeting was unanimously approved with the changes that a) there no audio is available and b) McConnell should be changed to Neir with regard to speaking to the City Manager about autonomous vehicles.

**Items from the Audience**

Jim Hunt, 12817 97<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE, Kirkland asked if Metro could be asked to provide more capacity for bicycles on buses and he inquired as to whether or not Metro keeps track of the utilization of capacity and the number of trips where passengers are passed because buses are full.

**Introduction of new member**

Ken Dueker introduced himself, noting that he was formerly on the faculty of Portland State University and previously served on the Parking Advisory Board. The Commission welcomed Mr. Dueker.

**Climate Change**

Jim Lopez reported to the Commission as Chair of the City of Kirkland Staff Green Team on sustainability. He described three core responsibilities; a) report on performance measures about sustainability, b) serve as a sounding board for policies and programs, c) focus on priority projects; e.g. solarize Kirkland, CKC, and K4C the King County Climate Collaborative on climate change. He Described Kirkland's role in K4C and the history and role of the City of Kirkland Green Team. Examples of performance measures were also given.

**Neighborhood Safety Program**

Kari Page described the neighborhood safety program, both the criteria that is used to prioritize projects and the projects that are slated for funding in 2016. The Commission asked questions about the program and asked that staff come back to the Commission with proposed criteria before the 2017 projects are evaluated.

**Transportation CIP**

Rod Steitzer, in a follow up to last month's discussion, described the changes that will be made to add 2 additional years to the transportation CIP document. The Commission requested that more information be provided about how project funding is changing as new projects are being added and old projects are being removed and that it be added to the CIP spreadsheet. It was also requested that the Commission's role be more clearly described on the schedule presented by the finance department.

**Metro Long Range Plan**

King County staff presented an overview of the draft plan. The Commission offered points that they would like to see included in the City Council's comments letter to Metro. Staff will send the draft comment letter to the Commission before it goes to the Council.

**ST 3 Update**

Staff described a project that is under consideration by Sound Transit for inclusion into ST 3 that would connect the South Kirkland Park and Ride with the Wilburton Station via light rail.

**Updates from Commissioners/Staff**

Staff reported that Joel Pfundt had been hired as the new Transportation Engineering Manager. Staff also made an announcement about restrictions around using City resources for campaigning. There were no other updates.

**Meeting adjourned** unanimously approved to adjourn at 9:27 PM.