

**Authority Meeting Highlights**  
*a brief recap of the Authority Meeting of October 1, 2014*

**Action Items**

Wednesday night, the Authority:

- Authorized the General Manager to enter into a one-year contract extension with Consolidated Press in the not-to-exceed amount of \$35,000, including taxes for the printing and delivery of transit guides. *(LeAnna Sandy)*
- Scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, November 5, 2014, 5:30 p.m., to receive and consider comments on the 2015-2020 Strategic Plan and the 2015 Budget *(Ben Foreman/Ann Freeman-Manzanares)*
- Authorized the General Manager to enter into a five-year contract with Blumenthal Uniform Company for the provision of uniform items for Operations staff, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$120,000, including taxes, for the initial two-year term with three optional one-year extensions. *(LeAnna Sandy)*
- Authorized the General Manager to enter into a contract with IBI Group, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$248,776 , including taxes, to assist in the planning and oversight of the implementation of the transit signal prioritization project *(Jeff Peterson)*
- Reviewed policy position issues relating to the 2015-2020 Strategic Plan.
- Agreed to continue support of the Village Vans Program with local funds for 2015 or a portion of 2015 while staff seeks grant funding.

**Other Items of Interest**

- Welcomed **William Synder, Maintenance Supervisor.**
- Currently, there are **216 active vanpool groups.**
- October 8 is **International Walk to School Day**, with seven schools participating. Tumwater, Olympia and Lacey are proclaiming October as Walk to School Month. Articles were placed in Thurston Talks and the Olympian.
- Staff is experimenting with transit advertising by conducting a 6-month test with ads known as “king kongs.” King kongs are large ads that are placed on the sides of buses from the top to the bottom between the wheels.
- A **Vanpool Incentive Program** started today for new vanpool riders as well as three recruiters.

- Today was the kick-off of the **Jubilee Community Van**. They are calling it the AdVANtage program.

**Pat Messmer**

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