

Authority Meeting Highlights
a brief recap of the Authority Meeting of May 6, 2015

Action Items

Wednesday night, the Authority:

- Conducted a public hearing to receive public comment on the draft Intercity Transit 2016-19 TIP. (*Bob Holman*)
- Scheduled a public hearing for June 3, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. to receive and consider public comment for Route 42 service enhancements.
- Authorized the General Manager to issue a purchase order for \$43,125 to Xiologix for the SAN system, inclusive of shipping, sales tax, and five years of maintenance.
- Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Handi-Hut, Inc. for an initial three-year contract, with the option of two one-year extensions, for bus shelters. The estimated annual value of the contract is \$75,000.
- Authorized the General Manager to enter into a one-year contract, with three one-year options to extend with Pierce County Security in an amount not-to-exceed \$173,858 for the provision of security services at the Lacey and Olympia Transit Centers.
- Authorized the General Manager to execute a one-year contract with Siemens for the maintenance of the agency telephone system for \$32,608, including taxes.
- Authorized the General Manager to enter into an agreement with PSE for the relocation of their electric utilities for the OTC expansion project in the amount of \$265,300.
- Gave approval for staff to conduct a Citizen Advisory Committee new member recruitment in the fall instead of in the spring.

Other Items of Interest

- Welcomed James Wancha, Dial-A-Lift Dispatch Specialist.
- Welcomed David Kolar, Vanpool Coordinator.
- Sales tax is up 4.42% for April. Year-to-year, it's up 6.53%.
- There are 207 active vanpool groups. Since the start of the 2014-2015 Vanpool Incentive Program, we now have 157 new riders to date.
- The majority of our lighting upgrades were completed a year ago, and the total project cost was \$237,495.03. We received a rebate from PSE in the amount of

\$88,000, bringing the final cost to Intercity Transit at \$149,493.03. In the last 12 months 273,100 kwh were saved resulting in a savings of \$28,695.17. The project return on investment is expected to be approximately 5.2 years (with only 4.2 years remaining).

- There was a Walk to School event today. From Pioneer Elementary 155 students rode their bikes to school (compared to 41 on Tuesday). There was a great turnout with many special guests. At Washington Middle School, 76 students biked with over 150 arriving to school on foot. From Peter G. Schmidt Elementary in Tumwater, 70 students walked and biked, and they were joined by the Tumwater Police Department and the Thurston Regional Planning Council.
- Intercity Transit's Wellness Committee is hosting the Annual Wellness Fair, Wednesday, May 13 from 10 am. until 3 p.m. in the Maintenance building. A free healthy lunch is provided to all who attend.
- Intercity Transit provided a bus on May 1 (May Day) on the request of the City of Olympia, to be on hand in the event of any issues with protestors.
- Planning Manager, Dennis Bloom, attended an Open House Environmental Scoping Meeting hosted by WSDOT, to learn about proposed improvements to traffic flow on Interstate 5 through the Joint Base Lewis-McChord area.
- A Celebration of Life service will be held Saturday, May 9 for Operator Jacob Austin, who passed away from a kayaking accident several weeks ago. It's expected to be attended by many Intercity Transit staff.

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