TRANSIT TRANSFORMATION TASK FORCE MEETING 11

AGENDA ITEM: 5

SUBJECT: Staff Report on Edits to Tranche 1 of the TTTF Report

- a. Introduction, Executive Summary, and Guiding Principles
- b. Principles: "Provide fast, reliable, connected, and convenient transit services." And "Safety is fundamental." including detailed strategies and recommendations in Appendix B
- c. Appendix A: Detailed Analysis requested under Senate Bill 125 Section 1E

ACTION: Informational only.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill (SB) 125 established and convened the Transit Transformation Task Force (TTTF) to include transit representatives from various organizations to establish a structured, coordinated process for engagement of all parties to develop policy recommendations to grow transit ridership and improve the transit experience for all users of those services. The TTTF Report, which is due to the Legislature on October 31st, 2025, shall include findings and policy recommendations based on the task force's efforts. The report is required to include a detailed analysis of specified issues and recommendations on specified topics, including, among others, reforming the Transportation Development Act.

The following staff report includes Tranche 1 of the TTTF Report, including the following sections:

- Introduction, Executive Summary, and Guiding Principles
- Principle: "Boost the speed, frequency, and reliability of transit services" including detailed strategies and recommendations in Appendix B
- Principle: "Deliver an exceptional customer experience with a strong focus on safety for all" including detailed strategies and recommendations in Appendix B
- Appendix A: Detailed Analysis requested under Senate Bill 125 Section 1E

Tranche 1 was reviewed with the Task Force on August 1st, 2025 during TTTF Meeting 11. Staff received feedback from the present Task Force Members.

Staff worked to address the comments prior to the TTTF Meeting #11 (August 1, 2025.) In response to Task Force member feedback, staff made wordsmithing changes (minor additions, deletions, etc.) throughout the report, as well as the more substantive changes outlined below. The changes in tranche 1 are as

summarized in the Discussion. Please note that Tranche 1 Materials are edited using Track Changes to easily identify changes between the previous version.

DISCUSSION:

a. Tranche 1 Report

Staff made the following changes to the document following Task Force feedback:

- Added the new fifth principle and wrote a paragraph describing it
- Reordered principles to reflect the order decided on during the meeting
- Added in language about the aging population
- Added in language about the difference between suburban/urban transit
- Added in language about competition as a concept (e.g., shared ride/gig economy as a competitor to transit)
- Where funding is mentioned, changed references about augmenting/stabilizing funding to increasing funding

Additionally, the Task Force voted on the principles to be updated to the following, and add an additional 5th principle on accessibility:

- Transit should be operationally and financially sustainable.
- Safety is fundamental.
- Provide fast, reliable, connected, and convenient transit services.
- Provide transit that is accessible and easy-to-use for all.
- Develop high-quality public transit systems to support complete communities.

Principles: "Provide fast, reliable, connected, and convenient transit services." And "Safety is fundamental." including detailed strategies and recommendations in Appendix B

The following motions were made to the recommendations:

- Added in JJ.1. Empower and resource regional agencies to designate key transit hubs and stations, in consultation with cities, counties and transit agencies, where clear standards and wayfinding will apply
- Removed PP.6. Encourage the integration of paratransit, microtransit, and fixed route services

The following recommendations were updated based off Task Force suggestions: Remove A.4. because it was chaptered into law, update A.5.,

update B.2., update enablers for implementation in B.4., update KK.1., update KK.2., update J.2., update MM.1.,

b. Appendix A: Detailed Analysis requested under Senate Bill 125 Section 1E

- Added in Section 8: State and local policies that impact service efficiency and transit ridership, including, but not limited to, transit prioritization on roads, land use, housing, and pricing policies (SB125 1.E.8)
- Added in Section 9: Identification of state departments and agencies that have responsibility for transit system oversight, grant administration, and reporting (SB125 1.E.9)
- Minor changes wording changes to document to improve clarity in the funding scenarios.