

Authority Meeting Highlights
a brief recap of the Authority Meeting of April 5, 2017

Action Items

Wednesday night, the Authority:

- Welcomed new employee Angie Shamburger, Senior Account and congratulated Gene Dickens on his promotion to DAL Dispatch Specialist.
- Authorized the General Manager to purchase Dell backup server equipment from Dell in the amount of \$30,666, inclusive of tax.
- Authorized the General Manager to enter into a one-year contract extension with American Landscape Services to provide landscaping and grounds maintenance service at Intercity Transit facilities in an amount not-to-exceed \$47,002, including taxes.
- Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract amendment with Pierce County Security to extend the contract for security services at the Lacey and Olympia Transit Centers for a period of one year in an amount not-to-exceed \$194,116.
- Authorized the General Manager to issue a purchase order to Northwest Lift & Equipment, LLC for gear mechanism upgrades to the ECO 60 Vehicle Lifts in Bays 5, 15, and 16 of the Maintenance facility in the amount of \$33,620, including tax.
- Authorized the General Manager to enter into a short-term lease agreement with Gordon Truck Centers to lease space at the property located at 13232 Case Road SW, Olympia, WA for \$4,160 per month.
- Authorized the General Manager to enter into a contract with Rognlin's for the Pattison Base Improvements - Underground Storage Tank (UST) project in the amount of \$5,343,760, including taxes.
- Received an update on the 2017 Bicycle Commuter Challenge.
- Advised staff to pursue either July 14 or August 18 to conduct the 2017 Planning Session; and to work with the Chair/Vice Chair to select a facilitator.

Other Items of Interest:

- The Federal Transit Association's Triennial Audit was completed last week and Intercity Transit passed with no deficiencies. The FTA auditors indicated they have never seen a system that did not receive any findings. Freeman-Manzanares will inquire whether the FTA issues any statements showing results that can be shared.

- Eric Phillips, Steve Krueger and Thomas Van Nuys recently attended the APTA Fare Collection and Revenue Management and TransitTech Conference in San Antonio. Their feedback will assist in the exploration of that process.
- Freeman-Manzanares, Jim Merrill, and Heather Stafford-Smith and members of the ATU and IAM will attend the Labor and Employment Relations Association (LERA) conference in Seattle April 6 and 7.
- The National Roadeo is scheduled for the weekend of May 5, 2017, in Reno. Intercity Transit will be represented by Rob Wood of Operations; and the Maintenance Team Joe Bell, Grant Swidecki, and James Bush, as well as Coaches David Dudek and William Snyder.
- Staff is exploring dates to host Intercity Transit's 2nd annual Roadeo this summer.
- Intercity Transit will have a booth at the Nisqually Home and Garden Show, April 29 and 30. All are welcome to attend.
- Intercity Transit is providing public transportation opportunities for an event sponsored by the County entitled, "Civic Pride Honor Roll" which honors individuals who maintained a perfect voting record for over 50 years. Emily Bergkamp has taken the lead on this event.
- Intercity Transit provided transportation for the City of Tumwater - Tumwater University. Freeman-Manzanares reminded the Authority that Intercity Transit can provide the jurisdictions with transportation services for official functions.
- The agency participated in the development of the County Hazard Mitigation Plan, which is required to receive grant funding from the County. Intercity Transit will bring organization annex to the plan, and will ask for Authority support of the document at the June 7 meeting.
- There are 176 active vanpools.
- One of the Village Vans participants has been hired by Medline and is starting the first Medline vanpool. Medline is currently located in Sumner and employs 140 people. They will be moving to a 750,000 square foot facility in Hawks Prairie and anticipates hiring 60-80 more employees. Intercity Transit is assisting employees from Thurston County to vanpool to Sumner, and will help Pierce County employees vanpool to Thurston County. Medline is offering a \$50 stipend, cash bonuses and reserved vanpool parking.
- Staff met with the Operations Manager at Conduent (formerly Xerox) regarding the startup of new vanpools. This is especially timely as a number of their employees use the Sound Transit 592 route to work.

- Vanpool Manager, Carolyn Newsome, gave a presentation at the Veteran's Transportation Forum at the Lacey Hub and at the JBLM Military Affairs meeting. This was designed to assist veterans and their families with transportation to critical appointments. The forum helped identify a need in Thurston County, map and pull together existing resources and plan solutions for any gaps.
- Carolyn Newsome joined the JBLM GoRideshare Board as the new Co-Chair, sharing duties with Pierce Transit staff. They are developing the Board's work plan and performance measures.
- The Senate and House Budgets include \$375,000 in DASH operational dollars. This is for a single year. The two Regional Mobility Grants are in the Governor's, Senate's and House's Budget.

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