

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council
Mobility & Infrastructure Committee

6:30 PM
July 11, 2023

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 135 E.
Sunset Way, Issaquah WA

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Committee Members:

Chris Reh, Chair
Barbara de Michele
Zach Hall

Administration/Staff:

Andrea Snyder, Deputy City Administrator
Chris Grabowski, Deputy City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Reh called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Katia Zakharoff spoke in favor of the MetroFlex program.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of June 13, 2023. **The minutes as presented were approved by unanimous consent.**

AGENDA ITEMS

- a) **ID 1444 Metro Flex On-Demand Service**

After the staff presentation no members of the public spoke.

Committee comments included the following:

- Committee members thanked staff, the Transportation Advisory Board, and Metro for their efforts.
- Increased transit is a part of many of the City's long range plans.
- Intracity mobility is a high-priority goal.
- Committee members appreciated the equity aspect of the service outlined.
- The proposed service area is larger than expected, which is good.
- The cost may seem high, but it is worth the investment.
- The community has been asking for this service for a long time and it fills a real need.
- The service will promote greater regionalization.
- Committee members would like to see a more robust set of success criteria when the item comes before the full Council for approval, e.g., ride sharing information.
- The committee acknowledged the public comments it had received and stressed to staff that communication and outreach will be key to defining the success of the program.
- Look at the goals and outcomes in the Strategic Plan to inform the metrics.
- Committee asked staff to communicate its recommendation to the Transportation Advisory Board.

The committee recommended forwarding the item to the full Council at its August 7 regular meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember de Michele announced that at its next meeting the Regional Transit Committee will be touring Metro's South Base fleet electrification facilities.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:34 PM.

Chris Reh, Chair

Chris Grabowski, Deputy City Clerk