

Authority Meeting Highlights
a brief recap of the November 17, 2021, Authority Meeting

The meeting was held remotely in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act guidelines in the Governor's Proclamation [20.28.14](#).

Wednesday night, the Authority:

- Adopted the 2022-2027 Strategic Plan.
- Adopted Resolution 05-2021 establishing the 2022 Budget.
- Authorized the General Manager to grant surplus vanpool vehicles to Innovations Human Trafficking Collaboration, Thurston County Food Bank, Interfaith Works, SafePlace, Veterans Services Hub City of Lacey, Homeless Response Team and Scattered Site Program City of Olympia, Coastal Community Action Program, OlyMAP, Peer Washington, PiPE, Senior Services for South Sound Transportation, Bridge Music Project, The River Walkers, TOGETHER, and Thurston County Police Academy Athletic Association - Elite Boxing Academy.
- Authorized the General Manager to issue a Purchase Order for two InterClean Bus Wash Systems for the new FWF in an amount not-to-exceed \$744,833 which includes estimated shipping cost, sales tax and a 2% contingency.

Other items of interest:

- Cindy Waterhouse introduced **Riley White, Vanpool Coordinator**.

General Manager's Report:

- Freeman-Manzanas said the Federal Infrastructure Bill passed, and IT is excited to see the possibilities for transit in our community.
- Interviews are in progress for the next class of Operators. That class starts January 2022.
- Staff submitted the Conditional Use Permit to the City of Olympia for the remainder of the Pattison Street Facility development.
- We continue to deal with unlawful activity at the Pattison Street Facility. There has been a rash of catalytic converter thefts on our vehicles. Last week an employee had their catalytic converter stolen from the parking lot and another employee had their window smashed and items stolen. We hired security toward the beginning of COVID and have approved additional hours for 24/7 coverage. The contractor, Forma, is also hiring security personnel to enhance the protection of the construction site.
- The recipients of the Surplus Van Grant will attend the December 1, 2021, ITA meeting, and the Authority will also have the opportunity to finalize the candidate selection for the Community Advisory Committee.

- The Jingle Bus design selection is complete and the designs receiving the highest votes were Artic World, Gnomes, and Elves. The first vehicle was sent out to receive some cheer today. The other two vehicles will follow over the next week, so they are ready to go into service after the Thanksgiving holiday.

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Pat Messmer/Clerk of the Board