

Intercity Transit Authority Meeting Highlights/Summary
A brief recap of December 17, 2025, Intercity Transit Authority Meeting

Wednesday night, the ITA:

- Adopted the 2026-2031 Strategic Plan. *(Emily Bergkamp)*

Other Items of Interest:

- Michael Midstokee introduced **Operator Class 25-04**.
- The ITA and staff recognized Dena Withrow on her **Boss of the Year Honorable Mention Award** presented by Jessica Houchin, Thurston County Chamber and Ashley Stone, Express Employment Professionals.
- Jonathon Yee provided an update on the progress of IT's zero-emission fleet transition projects and planning activities.

General Manager's Report

- Commissioner Mejia expressed interest in attending the American Public Transportation Association's (APTA) Legislative Conference being held April 12-14, 2026, in Washington, D.C. This is an opportunity for the public transportation industry to make their presence felt and our voices heard in D.C. The conference helps educate APTA members on important federal legislation, policy initiatives and an opportunity to shape the industry's positions and federal advocacy agenda. Bergkamp said traditionally two Board members attend. Any Board member interested in attending should let her know.
- Three days of CDL testing for Operator Class 25-04 begins December 18. Best of luck to these soon-to-be CDL holders.
- Intercity Transit submitted a grant to the Department of Commerce for technical assistance to design solar power and battery storage at the Pattison campus. If awarded, this grant phase could lead directly to implementation after the design phase. Special thanks to Thera Black and Jessica Gould for their work on this application.

Prepared December 18, 2025, Pat Messmer/Clerk of the Board