

## Des Moines City Council PS&T Committee Minutes – 12/03/2015

Meeting called to order: 6:00 PM on December 3, 2015, in North Conference Room @ 21630 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue S, Des Moines WA 98198.

### Council Members

Vic Pennington - Chair  
Dave Kaplan  
Luisa Bangs - Excused

### Other City Staff

Tony Piasecki – City Manager  
Dan Brewer – Planning, Building & PW Director  
Brandon Carver – Engineering Services Manager  
Denise Lathrop – Community Dev Manager  
Jennefer Johnson – Court Administrator  
George Delgado – Police Chief  
Bob Bohl, PD Commander  
Peggy Volin – Administrative Asst II

### **AGENDA:**

1. Approval of Minutes from 11/05/2015 meeting
2. King County Metro Long Range Public Transportation Plan
3. Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement

### **MEETING:**

1. Approval of Minutes from 11/05/2015 meeting: Unanimously approved.
2. King County Metro Long Range Public Transportation Plan: Mayor Dave Kaplan attended a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting held on November 15, 2015 that discussed King County Metro's Long Range Public Transportation Plan. The City of Des Moines was asked to provide written comments back to Metro Transit by December 11, 2015. Engineering Services Manager, Brandon Carver handed out the draft response which addressed four areas of concerns: underserved areas; poorly served areas; connections; and barriers. Staff was directed to take the draft comments to the Council meeting of December 10, 2015.
3. Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement: PD Commander, Bob Bohl informed the Committee of the benefits of expanding Des Moines Traffic Safety Program to include red light cameras. He stated the cities of Kent, Renton, Federal Way and SeaTac are currently using them and outlined some of what these other local jurisdictions have found:
  - Reduce vehicle collisions by changing driver behavior
  - Fewer collisions results in a decrease in injuries and fatalities

- Reduces tax burden to communities for emergency services and other costs tied to every traffic collision
- Allows the police department to provide uninterrupted traffic enforcement without assigning an officer to watch the intersection
- Enables the department to provide 24/7 enforcement to the particular intersection without added costs

Bob explained if this program is considered for Des Moines, staff would recommend only one location as a pilot program to confirm driver behaviors have changed and covers the operating cost of the red light camera program. Currently, the City's vendor was studying potential locations and the PD would follow-up with the results at the next Committee meeting.

Minutes submitted by:  
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