

August 13, 2021

Mr. Barry Buchanan Council Chairperson Whatcom County Council 311 Grand Avenue, Suite 105 Bellingham, WA 98225

Re: Four-Year Review of Whatcom Transportation Authority Board Composition

Dear Chairman Buchanan:

As the General Manager of the Whatcom Transportation Authority (WTA), I am giving notice in accordance with RCW 36.57A.055 (attached) that on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 9:45 a.m. in the Board Room at WTA, 4011 Bakerview Spur, Bellingham, a meeting will be held to review the composition of the WTA Board of Directors. A virtual participation option will be made available as well.

The above noted statute provides that every four years a member of the county legislative authority and an elected representative from each city within the boundaries of the Public Transportation Benefit Area shall meet and review the composition of the WTA governing body. The Composition Review Committee may change the composition of the Board if change is deemed appropriate.

Pursuant to RCW 36.57A.055, the County Council will designate the County Council's member to serve on the Composition Review Committee, and the Bellingham, Lynden, Ferndale, Blaine, Everson, Nooksack, and Sumas City Councils will each designate one of their City's elected officials to serve on the Committee. Each respective Council may choose to appoint the present WTA Board member representing their jurisdiction to serve on the Committee, or they may choose another council member.

I would appreciate it if your Council Clerk would notify my assistant and Clerk of the Board, Vicki Esser, by e-mail at <u>vickie@ridewta.com</u> of the designated representative who will be serving on the Committee by October 1, 2021. Additional background material will be provided to the designated representatives in advance of the meeting.

THANK YOU MR. CHAIL!

Very truly yours,

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cc: WTA Board of Directors

Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council