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## Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System

PACTS Transit Committee

Meeting Agenda

February 23, 2021

1:00–2:30 pm

Zoom webinar: [us02web.zoom.us/j/83940772585](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83940772585)

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As of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 PACTS and GPCOG are holding all committee meetings via [Zoom conferencing technology](#). We remain committed to full public access and participation in our meetings through remote access during the COVID-19 crisis. Remote meetings will be held in accordance with the requirements of [LD 2167, Public Law Chapter 618](#).

Both the chat and Q&A features will be turned off during PACTS and GPCOG meetings to ensure full public access to telephone participants and to avoid the confusion of side conversations.

Public comment will be taken verbally during the public comment period. Members of **the public who wish to speak should “raise their hands.”** Participants joining by **computer or mobile app can click on the “Raise Hand” button.** Participants joining by telephone can dial \*9.

1. Welcome

2. Overview of new PACTS Committee Structure and Membership

In October 2020, the PACTS Policy Committee approved a new structure for PACTS committees. The new structure includes a Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) that will advise the Executive and Policy Boards. Ad-hoc working groups will be formed as needed to address specific and timely tasks. For example, a Transit Working Group will develop recommendations for transit funding operations and maintenance needs.

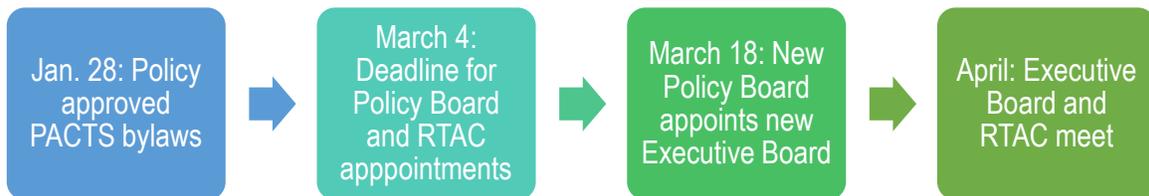
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The new structure is expected to simplify PACTS' decision-making process, providing external and internal clarity, more efficiently using members' time, and enabling staff to focus less on staffing committees and more on strengthening the region's transportation network. In addition, the recommended structure will make the PACTS processes more inclusive, adding important stakeholder perspectives from active transportation, the environment, the Community Transportation Leaders (CTL) network, and the private sector.

Until the formation of RTAC, existing PACTS committees will continue to meet as needed. The PACTS chair will make appointments for application-based seats. Figure 1 shows the schedule for the transition to the new committees.

Figure 1  
New PACTS Committees Transition Schedule



The Policy Committee approved the amended PACTS bylaws on January 28, 2021. The bylaws can be viewed at:

<https://www.gpcog.org/DocumentCenter/View/417/Portland-Area-Comprehensive-Transportation-System-PACTS-Bylaws-PDF>

Notable changes to the bylaws include:

- Policy Board (formerly Policy Committee)
  - New membership, including all seven transit agencies, each with one vote, and application-based seats for active transportation, equity, and the environment. Policy Board members will serve until a replacement is appointed.

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- New voting structure where municipal votes are proportionate to population and indexed to the least populous municipality, pursuant to recommendations made by the Executive Committee (October 6, 2020) and approved by the Policy Committee (October 22, 2020)
- Executive Board (formerly Executive Committee)
  - New membership, including three transit agency representatives and an application-based seat for active transportation. There are no terms for members of the Executive Board.
- Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (new)
  - New committee structure
  - Membership, **including four members of the region's transit agencies**, nominated by the agencies
  - Appointments
  - Duties
  - Officers

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### 3. Discussion of Potential Approaches for Transit Agency Membership

Staff has discussed potential approaches with the Transit Committee chair and vice-chair for determining transit agency membership on the RTAC and the Executive Committee. These include:

	RTAC Composition	Exec. Board Composition
Option 1	Modal representation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Ferry</li><li>- Train</li><li>- Bus</li><li>- Paratransit</li></ul>	Modal representation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Bus</li><li>- Paratransit</li><li>- Fixed guideway</li></ul>
Option 2	Modal representation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Fixed route</li><li>- Bus (2)</li><li>- Paratransit</li></ul>	Modal representation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Bus</li><li>- Paratransit</li><li>- Fixed guideway</li></ul>
Option 3	Election-based representation	Election-based representation

Whichever method is adopted, it is expected that membership on each committee **would rotate among the region's transit agencies.**

*Proposed action: decide on a method for determining transit agency membership on the Executive Board and RTAC, ask for willing representatives, and select members for each.*

### 4. Adjourn