Minutes: SST Mitigation Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Purpose

The annual meeting of the SST Mitigation Advisory Committee was held to discuss adjustments to the mitigation calculation as a result of issues brought forth by jurisdictions. The Department of Revenue and the Committee have to annually decide whether any adjustments need to be included in the mitigation calculation.

Date, Time and Place

Date: Monday, July 24, 2017

Time: 11:00 a.m. Place: Teleconference

Participants

Committee Members in Attendance:

Mary Albert, Community Transit Aaron BeMiller, City of Kent Tom Kirn, City of Seattle

Others in Attendance:

Sheila Gail, AWC

Kevin Fuhrer, Pierce and Auburn Robert Goehring, City of Kent

Doug Levy, Kent, Everett, Issaquah, City of Fife

Jim Schmidt, OFM Jennifer Olsen, Issaquah

Patty and ?, Fife

? and ReAnne Water, Everett

Victoria Lincoln, AWC

Tracey O'Brien, House Finance Dan Manson, State Treasurer

Jim Schmidt, Office of Financial Management

DOR Staff: Keri Boyer, Kim Davis, Don Gutmann, Valerie Torres, Beth Leech, Tracye Fralick, Ashley Boss, Miki Gearhart, Andre' Dubois, Wan Chen, Danitza Casselman

Topics Discussed

The table below identifies the topics discussed in the meeting and the person who led each discussion.

Topic	Discussion Leader
Introductions and Purpose of the Annual Meeting	Don Gutmann
Adjustments to the Mitigation Data	Valerie Torres
Discuss 2018 Annual Review	Valerie Torres

EHB 2163 – Change to Local Taxing Jurisdictions	Valerie Torres
EHB 2163 – Mitigation Advisory Committee	Valerie Torres
Meeting Before January 1, 2018	
Next Annual Meeting	Valerie Torres

Adjustments to the Mitigation Data

No concerns on the reduction in mitigation payments for Transportation Benefit Districts. This affects seven cities with a yearly estimated reduction of \$20,000 in total. We are reviewing this change in light of EHB 2163 and will notify the impacted jurisdictions if this change goes forward.

2018 Annual Review Process

There is a transposed number to correct on the second page of the document – 2136 needs to be 2163.

EHB 2163 – Changes to Local Jurisdictions

Regional Transit Authorities (RTA), Public Transportation Benefit Areas, and Transportation Authorities will no longer received SST Mitigation payments after July 1, 2017. The first payment they will not receive is the September 30, 2017 payment. Cities, Counties, and Public Facility Districts will continue to receive SST Mitigation payments through the September 30, 2019 payment.

SSB 5883 Section 136(3) DOR Analysis / Study

The Department just started the review and implementation of bills passed by the Legislature this session. We will need to discuss the budget bill's study regarding SST Mitigation with the Office of Financial Management and internally.

Meeting Dates / Times

Mondays worked for people. No other comments or concerns on days/times. More than one meeting may be needed.

Questions Regarding EHB 2163

The following questions were raised at today's meeting:

Sheila Gall (AWC): How easy will it be to know the taxpayers and to allocate the revenues by local taxing jurisdictions? We will keep you informed, but at this point, the Department is looking at having Marketplace Facilitators collect and report by jurisdiction. We hope we will be using actual data for all of the revenue, but our discussions at this point are on going.

Doug Levy: As he understands it, the Department of Revenue was not consulted and the estimates of the SST Mitigation Payments do not match the appropriation. If that actually occurs and the appropriation is short, will a

supplemental budget be included? Currently, if no additional funds are appropriated the SST Mitigation payments would need to be prorated. We plan to discuss this with the Office of Financial Management and the State Treasurer's Office.

Sheila Gall (AWC): AWC has received calls asking how close the estimates are likely to be to actuals. The Department will provide the fiscal note for EHB 2163 as soon as it is released to the SST Mitigation Listserv. We will not know how close estimates will be to actuals until the Department receives the actuals.

Aaron BeMiller: Aaron sent Valerie a list of questions already this morning. They would be interested in knowing how the study will be conducted and the making of the recommendations.

Doug Levy: Doug expressed that the cities on the phone call today would like to be active participants and because of the implications, Ports and the Department of Commerce should participate. Perhaps discuss this with David Duvall and then we can have a subset of folks on the phone today sit down and do a back and forth on this study. Doug was involved with discussions with Legislators regarding this study.

Soliciting Questions:

We will be using the Listserv to disseminate information and possibly request questions. We will also be using the secure message system to put out information to all local jurisdictions and solicit questions.

Sheila Gall: Volunteered to put information about questions and/or other information in the AWC publication.

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Meeting Minutes

Keri Boyer submitted the meeting minutes.