Shared Mobility in Seattle:

Catch a Fish, Catch a Bus, Catch a Ride



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Our mission, vision, and core values

Mission: deliver a high-quality transportation system for Seattle

Vision: connected people, places, and products

Committed to **5 core values** to create a city that is:

- Safe
- Interconnected
- Affordable
- Vibrant
- Innovative

For **all**

Presentation overview

- Transportation in Seattle
- New Mobility Playbook
- Mobility as a Service (MaaS)
- Shared Mobility Hubs
- SODO Community Connections

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 - System: 328K pax/weekday (~236K in Seattle)
 - Trolleybus routes: 73K pax/weekday (all in Seattle)
 - RapidRide BRT: 66K pax/weekday (~44K lines in Seattle)
- Sound Transit
 - Link light rail: 69K pax/weekday (~62K in Seattle)
 - ST Express regional bus: 63K pax/weekday (~50K in Sea.)
 - Sounder commuter rail: 17K pax/weekday (~15K in Sea.)
- SDOT/City of Seattle
 - Monorail: 6K pax/weekday
 - Streetcar: SLU 2.2K pax/weekday, First Hill 3K/weekday

Transportation in Seattle – "New"

- Ridesource/ridesplit: ~30K trips/day [Q4 '15, Q3 '16]
 - >10K Transportation Network Companies (TNC) vehicles active each week (Uber, Lyft, etc.)
- Free-floating carshare: ~4.4K trips/day
 - 1,940 vehicles (Car2Go, ReachNow)
 - 120K memberships (700K population in Seattle)
 - 125 dedicated on-street spaces, more to come
- "Pronto" station-based bikeshare: ~280 trips/day
 54 stations, 500 bikes; ended March 2017
- Free-floating bikeshare: ~2.1K trips/day [Q3 '17]
 1K bikes today, soon 3K to 6K+ (Spin, LimeBike)

New Mobility

What is it?

- Emerging technologies
- Smartphone- or app-enabled
- Shared mobility services
- On-demand and door-to-door service
- Need-based/pay-as-you-go
- Built on data infrastructure



New Mobility Playbook

Principles:

- Put people and safety first
- Design for customer dignity and happiness
- Advance race and social justice
- Forge a clean mobility future
- Keep an even playing field



New Mobility Playbook

Our "plays":

- Ensure new mobility delivers a fair and just transportation system for all
- Enable safer, more active, and people-first uses of the public right-of-way
- Reorganize and retool SDOT to manage innovation and data
- Build new information and data infrastructure so new services can "plug-and-play"
- Anticipate, adapt to, and leverage innovative and disruptive transportation technologies

From "silver bullet" to "silver buckshot"













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- Motorcycle-share
- Drone, etc.

Features/data for successful MaaS:

- Trip planning based on real-time conditions
 - Cost, time, GHG, health impacts, etc. \rightarrow Shows power of transit
- Ability to purchase transportation trips
- Multimodal booking and payments
- Fare bundling/mobility packages (like a cable package)
- Incentives, subsidies, rewards
- Real-time demand management, including transit
- Ability to pull robust transportation planning data that does not jeopardize privacy

Shared (Mobility Hubs[®]

- Physical manifestation of Mobility as a Service
- Prioritize highest carrying-capacity modes of travel
- Partner coordination
- Information, wayfinding, integration





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Shared Mobility Hubs "Westlake Hub",

downtown Seattle

- Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel (Link, bus)
- Streetcar
- Monorail
- Bus zones
- Shuttles
- Rideshare



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- Partnership with King County Metro, local business
- Light-industrial land uses, 45K employees, high SOV
- Last-mile connection from existing transit (commuter rail, light rail, regional/local bus, ferry)
- Fast, wide streets with missing sidewalks
- Stakeholder group with major employers
- Implement alternative service solutions by late 2017





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