



Board Rules Updates

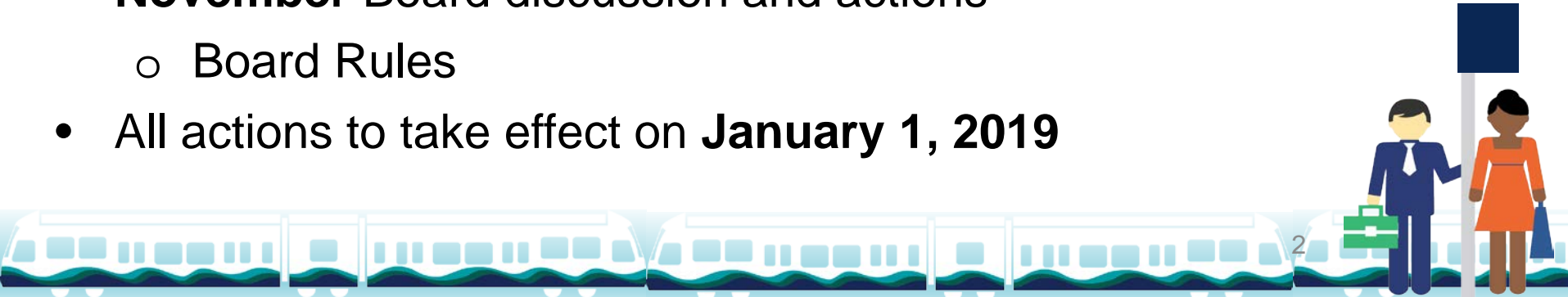
Board Meeting
November 15, 2018

 **SOUNDTRANSIT**

Board Rules Review

Timeline

- **May** Board Workshop
- **September** actions (Executive Committee and Board)
 - Procurement, Agreements and Delegated Authority Policy (Resolution No. 2018-40)
 - Board Committee Responsibilities (Resolution No. 2018-41)
- **November** Board discussion and actions
 - Board Rules
- All actions to take effect on **January 1, 2019**



Board Rules Review

Why Update Current Rules

- Update elements that have changed since 2001.
- Address concerns raised by Board members about the current rules.
- Incorporate improvements based on peer review.

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Rules Areas with Proposed Updates:



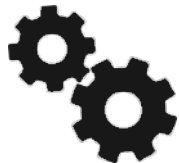
Board member participation by phone or video



Meetings by phone during emergencies



Public Comment



Administrative Updates

Board Phone Participation

Proposed Changes



- Add video as a possible form of communication
- Adjust the circumstances under which a member may attend by phone or video
- Allow the chair to approve participation by phone or video rather than requiring a two-thirds vote of the Board members in attendance and provide flexibility on timing of a Board member request to attend a meeting by phone or video
- Clarify that a Board member participating by phone or video is deemed to be present at the meeting for all purposes

Meetings via Phone in Emergencies

Proposed Changes



- Allow meetings in emergencies to take place via phone or video conference
- Maintain provisions in the current rules to allow:
 - a meeting location to be changed, or
 - the Board Chair or Vice Chair to act on behalf of the Board (if half of the members determine that a meeting is impracticable or impossible due to an emergency, and subject to ratification by the Board).

Public Comment

Proposed Changes



- Rewrite the public comment section to clarify the scope and intent of public comment
- Clarify time limits, require sign-in, and clarify meetings that accept public comment
- Provide guidance for commenters and members of the audience, allow time to be abbreviated or individuals to be removed, and allow excluding an individual who violates the rules from future public comment for a period of time.

Administrative Updates

Proposed Changes



- Add related policies
- Clarify roles
- Update Officer Election procedures
- Incorporate new Board Committee Names
- Clarify procedures around Committee Chair
- Update Committee appointments procedures

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Questions?

