# <u>9/3/2020 Rider Experience and Operations</u> <u>Committee Meeting Public Comment</u> <u>Submissions</u>

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## David F. Plummer

#### Hello Sound Transit Board Members!

1. Your announcements via the Agency's website regarding the 'virtual' public hearing on 3 September 2020 on the Agency's project planning through 2025 failed to provide any information on how written or electronic (email) comments could be submitted to the Agency. RCW 35.58.2795 requires Sound Transit to conduct one or more public hearings while developing its program and for each (program) annual update. The statute does not exclude alternate forms of communication, but the Agency's internal procedures note that, because of the COVID-19 pandemic, public inputs for hearings can be submitted via email; this should have been made clearly evident in notices about the 3 September 'hearing.'

2. I urge you to direct the Sound Transit staff to develop plans for the period through 2025 that do not include any tax increases for that period, or for the next several budget and planning cycles.

Sincerely yours,

David F. Plummer

### Stephen A. Fesler

Good morning:

I'm contacting you about the draft transit development plan. Please approve the draft plan as-is. The document is flexible and provides a good outline for future actions, most of which you'll be able to decide upon as they come before the board for consideration.

Kind regards,

Stephen A. Fesler, Seattle resident