

# Greater Kingston Community Conversation ~ October 21, 2023

## Discussion Report Outline

Report on **specific actionable items** to implement.

**1. Topic Area:** FERRIES

**Session 1 or 2?** 1

**Facilitator:** CATHERINE FARRELL

**Scribe:** BETH BERGLUND

**2. List of Participants:**

- DOUG HALLOCK
- CLAIRE MURPHY
- MARK LIBBY
- CHRIS IFLAND (ARRIVED LATE)
- SUE IFLAND (ARRIVED LATE)
- BEN STROBEL (ARRIVED AT 11:25AM)

### Discussion Questions

**3. Descriptions of the issues, problems, or challenges facing our community.  
(Briefly describe the issues shared by each individual.)**

- ISSUE 1: WSF RELIABILITY / CAPACITY
  - SMALL BOAT SERVICE (WHY DID KINGSTON GET SMALL BOAT?) (CLAIRE)
  - KINGSTON FAC IS NOT EFFECTIVE
- ISSUE 2: WSF FERRY TRAFFIC
  - BETH SUPPORTS ATMS (PHASE 1) AND LINDVOG LOT (PHASE 2)  
BETH SUPPORTS KINGSTON/EDMONDS BEING A RESERVATION RUN
  - MANUAL (OFF-DUTY POLICE) SOLUTION IS NOT CONSISTENTLY EFFECTIVE (MARK)
  - 104 REALIGNMENT PROJECT STATUS: REROUTING FERRY TRAFFIC (104 REALIGNMENT) PROJECT  
WHAT'S THE STATUS? (DOUG H)
- ISSUE 3: FAST FERRY SERVICE (KITSAP TRANSIT)
  - WEEKEND SERVICE WAS GREAT (SUMMER ONLY) (CLAIRE)
  - WE NEED MIDDAY DURING THE WEEK AS WELL (MARK)

- ROUGH WEATHER LOADING ISSUES
- LACK OF ATTENDANCE (COMMUNITY) AT THE KITSAP TRANSIT QUARTERLY MEETING.
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**4. What is the group's identified main issue or a prioritized list of the group's three top issues.**

- DOUG REMINDED EVERYONE THAT WE ARE THE MOST PROFITABLE RUN IN THE SYSTEM (MARK & CHRIS SAID THAT KINGSTON & MUKILTEO ARE THE TWO MOST PROFITABLE RUNS)
- SEE THE 3 TOPICS ABOVE

**5. What are some possible short-term solutions (1-3 years) to the problem(s)?**

- FAC
  - REQUIRE THE STATE TO RECORD THE ISSUES RAISED BY FAC AND TRACK THEM TO CLOSURE
- FAST FERRY SERVICE
  - ATTEND QUARTERLY KITSAP TRANSIT MEETING (SIGN UP FOR A NOTIFICATION LIST VIA THE KITSAP TRANSIT)
  - LOOK FOR GRANTS TO CONNECT FERRY TO TRAILS
  - CHRIS SAYS THAT KITSAP TRANSIT IS LOOKING FOR STABILIZATION SOLUTIONS
- 104 REALIGNMENT PROJECT
  - 104 WORKING GROUP IS BEING RESTARTED AND STATUS SHOULD BE COMMUNICATED MORE EFFECTIVELY (CHRISTINE ROLFES IS THE CHAIR / CHARTERING)
  - THERE IS A PROJECT THAT HAS BEEN DEFINED AND IS BEING SCHEDULED FOR FUNDING

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- KINGSTON AS A HIGH INTENSITY TRANSIT CENTER - DESIGN FOR FUTURE (CHRIS)

- KINGSTON FAC (ALENA WOLOTIRA): MEETS ON THE 3RD THURSDAY BY ZOOM AT 6PM
- LINDVOG LOT SOLUTION CONCERNS
  - BETH HAS ASKED AND GOTTEN A MEETING WITH A SMALL GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO ARE PRO-LINDVOG LOT
  - GREG NANCE IS LEADING THE EFFORT IN THE 23RD LEGISLATURE
  - PUBLIC FORUM: 2ND WEDNESDAYS
  - GREATER KINGSTON CHAMBER CALENDAR FOR MEETINGS
- INEFFECTIVE TALLY SLIP:
  - WSF / OFF-DURING LAW ENFORCEMENT / CITIZENS
  - MANUAL WAS PREPARED
  - JOB AID
  - PHONE NUMBER THAT KINGSTON CITIZENS CAN USE TO ALERT THAT DOWNTOWN KINGSTON IS GRIDLOCKED.
  - SHIFT THE BUDGET FOR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT OUT FROM UNDER WSF / WSDOT TO ANOTHER BODY

**6. What are some possible long term solutions (4-10 years) to the problem(s)?**

- DELAY HYBRID CONVERSION OF THE OTHER 2 JUMBOS UNTIL AFTER A NEW FERRY IS RECEIVED (LIBBY)
- SEE MIX OF SOLUTIONS ABOVE.

**7. How will the people and organizations represented here be involved in working on these solutions in 2023-2024?**

- CHRIS: FOCUS ON CENTERS OF RESPONSIBILITIES
  - WSF: CAR FERRY / TRAFFIC
  - KITSAP COUNTY: ATMS
  - KITSAP TRANSIT: FAST FERRY
  - PORT OF KINGSTON: ATMS,
  - KINGSTON COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL (KCAC): COMMUNICATION
- BETH:
  - 104 WORKING GROUP
  - KCAC
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- MARK
  - ATTENDS KITSAP TRANSIT ADVISORY GROUP MEETINGS
  - MARK WILL TALK TO GREG NANCE
- CLAIRE
  - NOTIFICATION LISTS AND MEETINGS

**Thank you for your participation!**