



**MEMO TO:** Planning and Public Works Committee of the Whole

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**DATE:** December 11, 2018

**SUBJECT:** Redmond Community Connections “LOOP Refresh” Public Process

**I. PURPOSE** ☒ For Info Only ☐ Potential Agenda Item ☐ Scheduled for Council Action

**II. RECOMMENDATION**  
Concur with the proposed Redmond Community Connections “LOOP Refresh” public outreach process.

**III. DEPARTMENT CONTACTS**  
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**IV. DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND**  
The Redmond LOOP pilot project is not meeting ridership targets (see Attachment 1) and will cease operations at the end of 2018. However, King County Metro would like to lead an exploration of alternate methods to serve transit mobility needs in the original LOOP service area (see Attachment 2).

Metro’s Community Connections team studies and implements alternatives to fixed route transit service throughout King County. This team has a standard public outreach process (see Attachment 3) which includes a citizen working group and multiple public surveys to provide comment on a needs assessment and potential solutions.

**A. Analysis**  
The stakeholder group for the LOOP included representation from the Senior Center and community members from Education Hill. A proposed refresh of the stakeholder group would seek to expand the group from 7 members to approximately 15 by:

- increasing the number of senior representatives,
- adding low-income housing representatives, and
- adding business representatives

**V. TIME CONSTRAINTS**  
Redmond LOOP service will end on December 28, 2018. The Community Connections public process is anticipated to begin in the first quarter of 2019 and end with a completed study in the third quarter of 2019.

**VI. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Ridership Graph, Actual vs. Target

Attachment 2: LOOP Service Area Map

Attachment 3: Metro Community Connections Outreach Schedule