

September 15, 2022

The Honorable Benjamin Huseman

Mayor, City of Commerce City
7887 E. 60th Avenue
Commerce City, CO 80022

Dear Mayor Huseman:

The Regional Transportation District (RTD) participated in an oversight process created by the Colorado General Assembly and Governor Polis in June 2020 called the RTD Accountability Committee. The purpose of the Committee was to explore the agency's finances and operations to inform recommendations at the conclusion of the process.

Staff is working to implement the recommendation requesting the creation of Subregional Service Councils (SSCs) that will give cities, counties, customers, and stakeholders a seat at the table to help service development staff understand local perspectives and data when making service delivery recommendations to the Board of Directors.

On June 28, 2022, the Board of Directors voted to approve the formation of SSCs. The details of the purpose and membership of the Councils were determined through a transparent working group process made up of county and city staff from the RTD service area, as well as other key stakeholders. Below are the working group recommendations with regards to the formation of the Subregional Service Councils:

- The purpose of the SSCs is to provide recommendations and feedback to RTD staff from the subregional perspective
- SSC meetings will generate ongoing dialogue between local communities and staff in a more formal and cooperative manner than existing service sector listening sessions
- SSCs will be advisory bodies, not decision-making bodies
- SSCs will meet three to four times annually, and their schedules will not be tied to RTD's service change schedule
- SSCs will be composed of:
 - City and county staff
 - Transit advocates representing transportation management associations, non-governmental organizations, and customers
 - RTD staff
- RTD staff will hold separate elected officials' briefings up to two times each year
- SSC boundaries will be set using the travel shed model (a map showing the proposed boundaries of the five SSCs is attached)

To assist RTD in this formation process and ensure that your county/city is represented, please respond by **September 28, 2022** to Bill Sirois, Senior Manager, Transit Oriented Communities (william.sirois@rtd-denver.com) indicating who will serve as the county/city staff representative to the SSC. The intent is to conduct the first round of SSC meetings in late October and early November 2022.



Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter. Any questions regarding the contents of this letter should be directed to Bill Sirois, Senior Manager, Transit Oriented Communities at william.sirois@rtd-denver.com or 303.299.2417.

I greatly appreciate the collaboration and your willingness to have your jurisdiction be represented on the council.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Debra Johnson", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Debra A. Johnson
General Manager and CEO

Attachment: Subregional Service Council Boundaries

Subregional Service Council Boundaries

