



CITY OF
**MOUNTLAKE
TERRACE**



2025 – 2029 Commute Trip Reduction Plan

City Council Regular Meeting: June 26, 2025

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PURPOSE

- Review the 2025-2029 Commute Trip Reduction Plan (CTR) for public hearing
- Discuss renewal of Inter-local agreement with Community Transit to administer this program
- Adoption of the 2025-2029 CTR Plan



COUNCIL GOALS

The 2025-2029 Commute Trip Reduction Plan is consistent with the following Council Goals:

- Responsible Governance to Ensure Desired Level of Service
- Environmental Sustainability and Resiliency



ADOPTED
JULY 2024

STRATEGIC PLAN 2025-2029



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VISION

Mountlake Terrace cultivates a safe and inclusive community with beautiful parks, abundant recreation, connected neighborhoods, and a supportive business environment.



LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

- Ordinance 2703: Adopting 2017-2019 Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) Plan - Feb 21, 2017

PURPOSE OF CTR PLAN

- Establishes measures to reduce Drive-Alone commute trips
- Goal to reduce congestion and carbon emissions
- Applies to employers with 100+ full time employees arriving between 6 a.m. and 9 a.m
- Required by state law (RCW 70A.15.4000-.4110)

What is CTR?

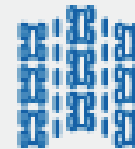
Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) requires employers in the most congested areas of Washington to encourage employees to reduce the number and length of drive-alone commute trips made to their worksite.

The Commute Trip Reduction Law (RCW 70.94.521-551) was adopted in 1991 as part of the Washington Clean Air Act.

The law was developed to reduce:



Air Pollution and
Greenhouse Gases



Traffic Congestion



Energy Consumption

PLAN DEVELOPMENT

- Led by Community Transit
- Coordinated with 7 other cities
- Public Outreach
 - CT on-line open houses & workshops
 - City website
 - Targeted outreach to Premera
- Presentation to Planning Commission
- Presentation of Draft Plan to Council



GOALS AND TARGETS

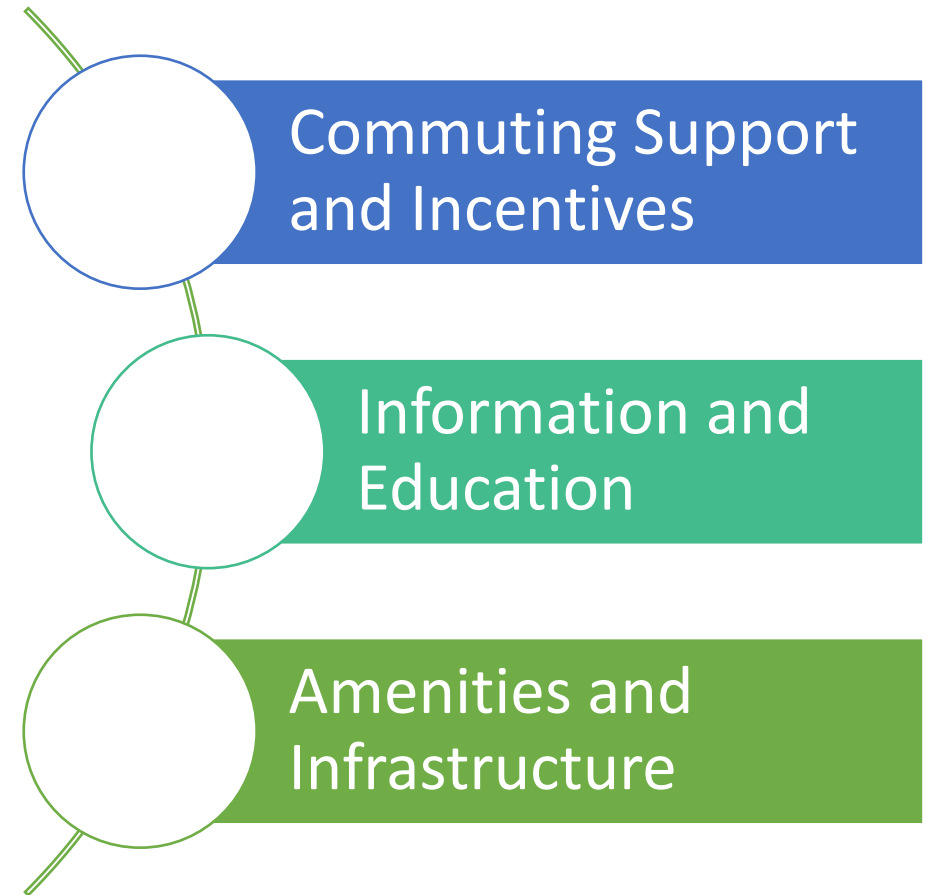
- State Goals
 - 60 % Drive-Alone Rate by June 2029
- Citywide Target
 - 63% Drive-Alone rate for CTR affected sites by 2029



PLAN REQUIREMENTS

Requirements For Affected Employers

- Develop a CTR program
- Implement minimum 5 measures, at least 1 from each category
 1. Commuting Support and Incentives
 2. Information and Education
 3. Amenities and Infrastructure

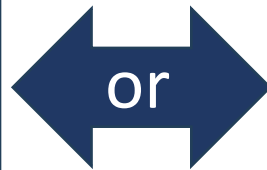


PLAN REQUIREMENTS

Potential Future Changes

- Add Commuter Benefit Ordinance for Employers with 20+ Employees arriving between 6 a.m. and 9 a.m. City to conduct outreach to employers.

Allow For monthly
pre-tax deductions
for transit pass



Partially or Wholly
Subsidize Transit
Passes

UPDATE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

- Renew inter-local agreement with Community Transit to
 - Coordinate, administer, and manage the CTR Plans for 8 jurisdictions including Mountlake Terrace
 - CT administers the surveys, materials for affected employers, prepare plan and program templates
 - WSDOT provides funding to CT. City has no financial obligation.

NEXT STEPS

Adopt CTR Plan
Ordinance
June 26

Update Municipal
Code
July>

Renew Inter-Local
Agreement
June 26

Continue
Outreach per
Commuter
Benefit Ordinance
Thru 2029

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- Adopt the 2025-2029 Commute Trip Reduction Plan Ordinance and authorize the City Manager to sign the Inter-local Agreement with Community Transit

DISCUSSION & QUESTIONS

Thank you

