

March 18, 2024

Jefferson County 1820 Jefferson Street Port Townsend, WA 98368

The City of Port Townsend 250 Madison Street Port Townsend, WA 98368

RE: Support for SR20/Mill Road intersection improvements

Dear Jefferson County and City of Port Townsend:

On behalf of Jefferson Transit Authority, I write to support Jefferson County and the City of Port Townsend in making improvements to the SR20/Mill Road intersection area. The convergence of these streets as the Gateway to Port Townsend is becoming increasingly challenging. Rehabilitation of this intersection as a gateway feature and a full scale roundabout able to accommodate large trucks, the ability to serve the increasing traffic, and provide safe access to pedestrians and bicyclists is important to our organization.

Jefferson Transit Authority operates fixed route transit service through this area at least sixty (60) times per day. This area is central location for community members who use this area to access trails, employment opportunities, and the county's emergency housing shelter. This area would be greatly improved by a full scale roundabout and Jefferson Transit would fully support it's construction.

We appreciate the County, City, and WSDOT are working together to secure funds and make improvements to the key location where the state highway, city streets, and county roads converge.

Sincerely,

Nicole Gauthier General Manager

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