

BCC Transportation Committee Policies, Principles and Practices

The Transportation Committee makes recommendations to the full BCC regarding transportation issues, which it defines broadly to include walkability, bikeability, travel by automobiles, trucks and other vehicles, and all forms of mass transit.

Transportation also includes use of taxis, ride-share services and shared mobility—such as scooters, bike share services and others still to come—and all other means of mobility that operate on roads, sidewalks and other shared spaces.

Principles. The BCC is committed to reducing overall traffic and car trips on local roads and improving safety for pedestrians, cyclists and others who share our streets. Permitted modes of transportation need to safely coexist. The committee supports the development and improvement of mass transit scaled to the neighborhood. Accessibility for people with disabilities must be considered for every transportation mode.

Community Scope. The Transportation Committee researches and stays informed on all transportation matters which may impact any area of Brentwood, or any adjacent area which could affect Brentwood. With direction from the full BCC, the transportation committee works closely with City Council District 11, Westside Regional Alliance of Councils, the Metro and other agencies to learn about, and provide input to, transportation projects.

Organization. The Transportation Committee is a standing committee of the BCC. The members of the committee are selected by the BCC Chairperson and serve at the discretion of the Chair. Wherever possible, members shall be selected for expertise in transportation issues and shall collectively represent interests in various modes of transportation and neighborhoods within Brentwood.

Operation. The Transportation Committee shall meet at least quarterly. Committee meetings are noticed on the BCC website with an agenda at least three calendar days before the meeting and are open to the public. Ad hoc committees for special projects or other smaller working groups may meet as needed.

Relationship to Land Use. Transportation relates closely to land use, as it involves the sharing of streets, sidewalks and other community spaces. The chairs of the BCC Transportation and Land Use Committees should communicate on issues of shared interest and determine the order in which the two committees consider a shared matter.