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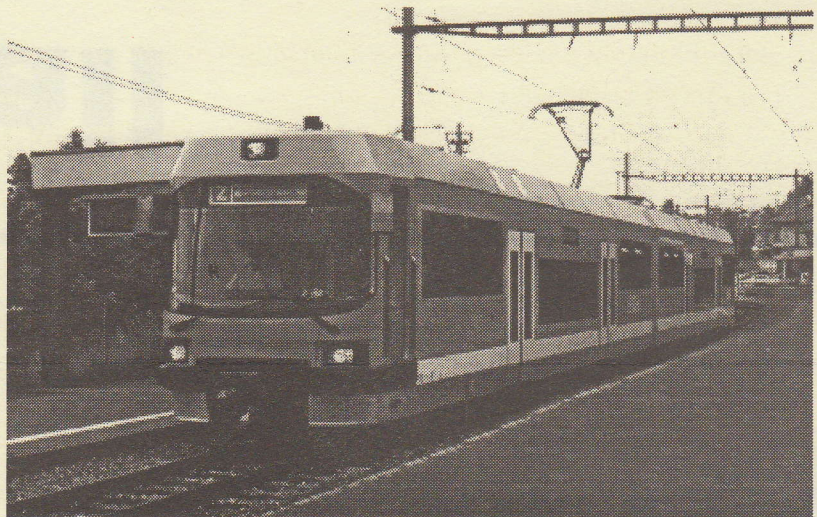
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The Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority is considering several ideas for the first phase of a regional transit system. Some of the possibilities now being discussed include a light-rail line on Eastlake Avenue East.

The RTA wants to discuss these possibilities with the Eastlake community and hear your ideas. The RTA is joining the Eastlake Community Council and the Eastlake Business Association at a neighborhood workshop May 10 at the Seward school gymnasium, 2515 Boylston Avenue East (enter off East Louisa Street). An open house will begin at 5 p.m. with a presentation at 6 p.m. and discussion until 8 p.m. Bring your questions and ideas.

The regional transit plan that was recommended to the RTA last year proposes a tunnel between downtown and

the University District, with stations on First Hill and Capitol Hill. An Eastlake line is now being considered as an alternative to that route. The RTA board will decide on May 27 whether to study this alternative further. To make that decision, the RTA needs your ideas about how this would work for the Eastlake neighborhood.



What is light rail?

Light rail is a transit system that uses electrified rail cars running alone or in short trains. Trains would run about every 5 minutes during rush hours and every 10 minutes at midday and in the evening.

Portland's MAX system is an example of a light rail line. The Eastlake Community Council is planning a field trip to Portland on Saturday, May 14, to look at neighborhoods along the rail line. For more information, call the community council at **322-5463**.

What is the RTA?

The Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority is a three-county government formed last year to develop and implement a regional rail system. The RTA is developing a proposal for the first phase of the system to present to voters next spring. Both rail and bus improvements would be part of the plan. For more information, call **1-800-201-4900**.

The information in this document is available by TTY at 684-1395.