Table 53. Create a freight advisory committee.

Initiative 50: Create a Freight Advisory Committee

Description: A freight advisory committee (FAC) is composed of a group of different freight stakeholders and serves as a forum in which novel solutions for urban freight problems are discussed. It is a good practice to complement the FAC input with targeted outreach efforts to receive feedback from all segments of the industry.

Targeted mode: All modes	Geographic scope: City, area
Type of initiative: Stakeholder engagement: create a	Primary objective: Stakeholder engagement
freight advisory committee (FAC)	

Expected costs and level of effort to implement: This initiative requires coordination among the multiple stakeholders involved.

Advantages: Facilitates the implementation of freight initiatives

- Creates communication channels between different stakeholders
- Improves outreach efforts
- Reduces probability of unintended consequences

Disadvantages:

Requires high coordination among different stakeholders

Examples:

- National Freight Advisory Committee (NFAC), Washington, District of Columbia, United States (for the entire country)
- FAC of the Capital District Transportation Committee, Albany, New York, United States
- Columbus Region Logistics Council, Columbus, Ohio, United States
- North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), Arlington, Texas, United States
- New York City DOT Industry Advisory Group (IAG), New York City, New York, United States
- Seattle Freight Mobility Advisory Board, Seattle, Washington, United States



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References: Columbus Chamber of Commerce; North Central Texas Council of Governments; Holguín Veras et al. 2013b