



**METRO**

**Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation**

**MINUTES**

June 22, 2006

7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Council Chambers

MEMBERS PRESENT

AFFILIATION

Rex Burkholder, Chair	Metro Council
Rod Park, Vice Chair	Metro Council
Brian Newman	Metro Council
Sam Adams	City of Portland
Bill Kennemer	Clackamas County
Rob Drake	City of Beaverton, representing Cities of Washington County
Lynn Peterson	City of Lake Oswego, representing Cities of Clackamas County
Maria Rojo de Steffey	Multnomah County
Fred Hansen	TriMet
Jason Tell	Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT - Region 1)
Paul Thalhofer	City of Troutdale, representing Cities of Multnomah County
Bill Wyatt	Port of Portland
John Leeper	Washington County

ALTERNATES PRESENT

AFFILIATION

Doug Ficco	Washington DOT
Susie Lahsene	Port of Portland
Dean Lookingbill	Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council

OTHER COUNCILORS PRESENT

John Hartsock	City of Damascus
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GUESTS PRESENT

AFFILIATION

Kenny Asher	City of Milwaukie
Scott Bricker	BTA
Kathy Busse	Washington County
Roland Chlapowski	City of Portland
Olivia Clark	TriMet
Danielle Cowan	City of Wilsonville

GUESTS PRESENT (cont.)    AFFILIATION

Nancy Kraushaar	City of Oregon City
Tom Markgraf	CRC
Sharon Nasset	ETA
Ron Papsdorf	City of Gresham
Karen Schilling	Multnomah County
Phil Selinger	TriMet
Lainie Smith	ODOT
Paul Smith	City of Portland
Janice Wilson	Oregon Transportation Commission

STAFF

Andy Cotugno, Richard Brandman, Jessica Martin, Robin McArthur, Tom Kloster

I.     CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rex Burkholder declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:36 a.m.

II.    INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Rex Burkholder introduced Commissioner John Leeper, representing Washington County in Commissioner Roy Rogers and Commissioner Tom Brian's absence. He also introduced Oregon Transportation Commissioner, Janice Wilson.

III.   CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

IV.    CONSENT AGENDA

**Consideration of minutes for the June 8, 2006 JPACT meeting**

ACTION: Mayor Rob Drake moved, seconded by Ms. Lynn Peterson to approve the June 8, 2006 meeting minutes. The motion passed.

V.     COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

**World Urban Forum**

Chair Burkholder updated the committee on the World Urban Forum, which took place in Vancouver, Canada, from June 19-23, 2006. The main theme was: Our Future: Sustainable Cities – Turning Ideas into Action.

VI.    ACTION ITEMS

**Resolution No. 06-3663, For The Purpose of Proposing A List Of Highway Modernization Projects To Receive Funding In The 2008-11 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)**

Chair Burkholder introduced the resolution, which would provide the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) with a recommendation of local priorities for consideration of the use of state "modernization" funds, as set defined by the Commission, for use on highway related projects that address capacity in the Metro region.

Chair Burkholder directed the committee's attention to a proposed amended version of Exhibit A to Resolution No. 06-3663, as submitted by Washington County (included as part of the meeting record). The amended exhibit proposed the following changes:

<b>Prioritization Summary of Potential ODOT Region 1 Modernization Projects 2008-11 STIP</b>			
	<b>Cost (millions)</b>	<b>Recommendation (millions)</b>	<b>Recommended Phases</b>
I-5 Delta Park Phase II: PE and ROW for Columbia Blvd access to I-5	\$14.000	\$7.000	PE, ROW
I-5 SB/I-205 SB Merge Lane extension	\$3.000	\$0.000	
US26: 185th to Cornell	<del>\$19.500</del> <b>\$18.2</b>	<del>\$12.500</del> <b>\$14.3</b>	PE to Con
Troutdale Marine Dr./Backage Road	\$7.900	\$0.500	PE
US26: Springwater Interchange Phase I	\$5.800	\$3.000	PE to Con
I-5: Wilsonville Interchange	\$10.500	\$8.000	PE to Con
Sunrise Corridor	\$7.000	\$0.000	
Preservation Supplement for Ped/Bike	\$1.000	\$0.000	
STA Implementation Project: McLoughlin Blvd in Oregon City Phase 2 as example.	\$3.450	\$0.000	
US26: Kane/257th/Palmquist Interchange		\$0.000	
Highway 217 EIS	\$1 to \$3 million	<del>\$0.500</del> <b>MTIP Funds</b>	
I-205/Powell Interchange EA/PE		\$0.000	
I-205 South: I-84 to I-5 EIS (OIPP coordination)		<del>\$0.500</del> <b>MTIP; Metro and ODOT Planning or OIPP funds</b>	
I-405 Loop: I-5 to I-84 refinement plan		\$0.000	
North Milwaukie Industrial Area Plan		TGM grant	
Total	\$73.850	<del>\$32.000</del> <b>\$32.8</b>	
Metro Area 2008-11 STIP Modernization Target after existing commitments	\$32 million		
<b>Committed Projects in 2008-09</b>			
I-205/Mall LRT	\$5.000		
Sellwood Bridge	\$1.500		
I-5 Delta Park Ph. 1: PE/ROW	\$2.104		
Preservation supplement for Ped/Bike	\$1.000		
<b>New funding Committed to Projects in 2008-09</b>			
I-5 Delta Park Ph. 1: Construction	\$16.000		

MOTION: Commissioner Leeper moved, seconded by Commissioner Bill Kennemer, to approve Resolution 06-3663, with the amended Exhibit A (shown above) and removal of Exhibit B.

Commissioner Leeper spoke to the motion.

Councilor Brian Newman noted that the proposed amended version of Exhibit A shows the total increasing from \$32 million to \$32.8 million. He inquired as to the rationale and justification for this increase. Historically, there has been an 80/20 split of the funds, with 80% going to projects in the Metro area and 20% for those outside of it. By using that method, ODOT came up with a range of \$32-\$32.8 million.

MOTION TO AMEND MAIN MOTION: Councilor Newman moved, seconded by Councilor Lynn Peterson, to amend Exhibit A by removing the two references to MTIP in the recommendation column and replacing them with zeros.

In response to Commissioner Leeper's motion, which would remove \$500,000 from the Highway 217 EIS, Mayor Rob Drake stated his uneasiness with not having Highway 217 on ODOT's radar in a formal way. He also stated his concern with how this action could be perceived and interpreted by the Congressional delegation.

The committee discussed whether Oregon Innovative Partnership Program (OIPP) funds could be a potential source of money for this project. Mr. Tell noted that OIPP has money committed to projects that are already being considered. He added that Mr. Jim Whitty would know how much of the funds available would be spent.

In response to Councilor Newman's motion regarding removal of any reference to MTIP, Mr. Fred Hansen suggested that adding asterisk or footnote stating that Washington County intends to be able to submit an MTIP application and pursue other funds might satisfy Mayor Drake's concerns.

Councilor Rod Park noted that several months ago when Mayor Drake and Commissioner Tom Brian met with Congressman Wu, he felt that there was some level of commitment by ODOT for the Highway 217 project. Mr. Tell responded that he has been communicating with the Congressman's office and has been up front about the situation. He added that when the 150% list was published, the project was not listed. He noted that the commitment ODOT made was that they determined that Highway 217 was an important project and alternative funding would be looked into.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND MAIN MOTION: With Commissioner Leeper opposed and Mr. Tell abstaining, the motion passed.

MOTION TO AMEND #2: Mayor Drake moved that JPACT add to the Highway 217 EIS project \$300,000 to match Congressman Wu's earmark.

Mr. Tell noted that even if the committee decided to add \$300,000 to the Highway 217 EIS project, it would still only be partially funded.

Mayor Drake added that by not recommending any dollars to the project, it could be interpreted by Congressman Wu that the committee is not interested in the project.

Mr. Hansen stated that JPACT should not exceed the \$32.8 million total and that he would be voting against any motion that increased that amount.

The committee further discussed whether or not to increase the dollar amount.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND #2: With three members in favor, Mr. Tell abstaining and the remaining committee members opposing, the motion failed.

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED: With Councilor Park and Mr. Tell abstaining and the remaining committee members voting in approval, the motion to approve Resolution No. 06-3713 as amended passed.

VIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Burkholder adjourned the meeting at 8:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Martin  
Recording Secretary