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Agenda

MEETING: METRO COUNCIL WORK SESSION
DATE: February 5, 2008
DAY: Tuesday
TIME: 2:00 PM
PLACE: Metro Council Chamber

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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| 2:00 PM | 1. | DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, FEBRUARY 7, 2008/ADMINISTRATIVE/CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS | |
| 2:15 PM | 2. | COLUMBIA RIVER CROSSING DISCUSSION | Brandman |
| 3:15 PM | 3. | BREAK | |
| 3:20 PM | 4. | BUDGET WORK SESSION | Jordan/Stringer |
| 4:20 PM | 5. | COUNCIL BRIEFINGS/COMMUNICATION | |

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**COLUMBIA RIVER CROSSING
DISCUSSION**

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Work Session Worksheet

Presentation Date: February 5, 2008 Time: 2:15 pm Length: 1 hour

Presentation Title: Columbia River Crossing – Towards a Locally Preferred Alternative

Department: Transportation

Presenters: Rex Burkholder, Richard Brandman - CRC staff will also be available

ISSUE & BACKGROUND

The Interstate 5 freeway is a critical transportation link for the nation, the states of Oregon and Washington. At the point that I-5 crosses the Columbia River, there is substantial congestion at peak hours in the morning and afternoon. The CRC project has been working with a 37 person task force and Councilor Rex Burkholder serves as the Metro Council representative.

The CRC project has identified several alternatives and is about to release an Environmental Impact Statement and is looking to determine a locally preferred alternative.

OPTIONS AVAILABLE

Three documents, to be sent separately, will be available:

1. a list of Metro Council questions and responses as prepared by the CRC staff;
2. a memo from Councilor Burkholder that outlines potential issues and suggested solutions; and
3. a draft chart that could be used to structure a summary of the pros and cons of each alternative, including a no build alternative.

The second document highlights possible project issues to which the Metro Council is asked: Are these issues of concern to the Council? If so, are the suggested solutions satisfactory?

For the third document, the draft chart, does this chart include the evaluation elements that the Council would like to see compared?

IMPLICATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

Implications and suggestions are included in documents 2 and 3, attached.

QUESTION(S) PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION

Please see above

LEGISLATION WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR COUNCIL ACTION Yes No
DRAFT IS ATTACHED Yes No (not at this time)