



TRANSPORTATION POLICY ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE
October 30, 2009
Metro Regional Center, Council Chambers

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sorin Garber
Elissa Gertler
Mara Gross
Nancy Kraushaar
Keith Liden
Mike McKillip
John Reinhold
Karen Schilling
April Siebenaler
Rian Windsheimer
Sharon Zimmerman

AFFILIATION

Citizen
Clackamas County
Citizen
City of Oregon City, representing Cities of Clackamas Co.
Citizen
City of Tualatin, representing Cities of Washington Co.
Citizen
Multnomah County
Citizen
Oregon Department of Transportation, Region 1
Washington Department of Transportation

MEMBERS ABSENT

Brent Curtis
John Hoefs
Susie Lahsene
Alan Lehto
Dean Lookingbill
Dave Nordberg
Louis A. Ornelas
Ron Papsdorf
Satvinder Sandhu
Paul Smith

AFFILIATION

Washington County
C-TRAN
Port of Portland
TriMet
SW Washington RTC
Department of Environmental Quality
Citizen
City of Gresham, representing the Cities of Multnomah Co.
FHWA
City of Portland

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Lynda David
John Gillam
Andy Back
Jessica Trump

AFFILIATION

SW Washington RTC
City of Portland
Washington County
TriMet

STAFF: Tom Matney, Ross Roberts, Kelsey Newell, Kim Ellis, Tom Kloster, Pat Emmerson, Ted Leybold.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Ross Roberts declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

There were none.

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS TO TPAC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Rian Windsheimer recommended removing the ODOT Electric Fleet from the list of future agenda items. Members requested that, higher priority be given to High Speed Rail and House Bill 2001 topics and that an update on the Columbia River Crossing project be added.

5. APPROVAL OF THE TPAC MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 25, 2009

MOTION: Ms. Karen Schilling moved, Mr. Andy Back seconded to adopt the September 25, 2009 meeting minutes.

ACTION TAKEN: With all in favor, the motion passed.

6. INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) – Public Comment Report

Ms. Pat Emmerson of Metro briefed the committee on the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) public comment report. The Making the Greatest Place (MGP) public comment period scheduled from September 15th to October 15th provided a formal opportunity for interested parties to provide comment on the RTP through a series of open houses and public hearings, and online surveys and forms. Of the total comments received on the RTP, over half pertained to the Sunnybrook Road extension and the I-5/99W Connector Study Area projects. In addition, comments received favored bicycle and pedestrian facilities, general support of the specified top tier corridors, and freight rail.

The committee expressed interest in reviewing a geographic breakdown of the comments received and emphasized the importance of outreach to non-English speaking communities.

6.2 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) – System Analysis

Ms. Kim Ellis of Metro briefed the committee on the preliminary analysis performed on the 2035 Federal Priorities and 2035 State Investment Strategy system. The 2035 RTP implements the 2040 Growth Concept vision for land use, transportation, the economy and the environment. To that end, the 2035 RTP embraces an outcomes-based approach that establishes goals, objectives, performance measures and targets to direct the region in achieving its broad vision. Over the course of the summer, regional partners updated their priority transportation investments for inclusion into the RTP. Their work resulted in an updated 2035 Federal Priorities transportation investment package (\$13.6 billion) and the 2035 RTP Investment Strategy (\$20.9 billion), which includes additional investment priorities if new or expanded revenue sources become available.

Ms. Ellis briefly reviewed:

- Metro’s analysis of each investment package using both the JPACT-endorsed Performance Targets and the RTP system evaluation measures to evaluate performance of the each system of investments;
- The comparative summary of how the two RTP systems performed relative to the RTP performance targets and the transportation investment scenarios analyzed in 2008; and
- The JPACT-endorsed performance targets were drawn from the National Transportation Objectives Act of 2009 (H.R. 2724), and state goals for reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and vehicle miles traveled. (All materials included as part of the meeting record.)

7. ACTION ITEMS

7.1 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Amendments (Exhibits F and G)

Ms. Ellis briefly overviewed the draft resolution to “accept” the RTP and proposed amendments received to date. The committee deliberated over *Consent Items for Consideration* (Exhibit G) and *Discussion Items for Consideration* (Exhibit F).

Consent Items for Consideration (Exhibit G)

The committee flagged the following proposed consent items (in Exhibit G) as topics for further discussion and refinement and directed Metro staff to provide new propose language at the special TPAC meeting scheduled for November 2nd. TPAC is scheduled to make a formal recommendation to JPACT on the below items as part of the complete Exhibit G on November 2nd.

Consent Items for further discussion and refinement:

- *Consent Item #107*, regarding High Capacity Transit and Corridor Refinement Plan prioritization criteria (City of Gresham);
- *Consent Item #131*, regarding mobility corridors and the necessity of corridor refinement plans (Washington County);

- Consent Item #179, regarding increasing the mode share of each walking, biking and transit trips outlined as part of the goals for active transportation (TriMet and Keith Liden);
- Consent Item #193, regarding the pedestrian access to transit and the ideal spacing range (Washington County);
- Consent Item #258, regarding bike and pedestrian projects within the system;
- Consent Item #334, regarding development of a schedule outlining the acceptance and final adoption of the RTP (ODOT); and
- TriMet’s recommendations to amend language regarding “Objective 4.4 Demand Management” and “Objective 4.5 Value Pricing.” (TriMet’s proposed language included as part of the meeting record.)

In addition, Mr. Back requested that the OR-217 Study Recommendations be removed from Exhibit G and forwarded to JPACT as part of *Discussion Items for Consideration (Exhibit F)*.

Additional committee discussion included the Columbia River Crossing project.

Discussion Items for Consideration (Exhibit F)

Due to limited time, the committee was unable to discuss Exhibit F. TPAC is scheduled to discuss and make a recommendation to JPACT on Exhibit E at their special meeting on the 2nd.

7.2 Resolution No. 09-XXXX, For the Purpose of Amending the 2008-11 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) to Add the SW Moody Avenue Widening and Naito Parkway/River Parkway Intersection Projects and Eliminate the I-5 at North Macadam Access Project

Mr. Ted Leybold briefed the committee on the resolution, which would remove the I-5 at North Macadam Access project and replace it with the SW Moody Avenue Widening and Naito Parkway/River Parkway intersection projects. After extensive evaluation stemming from budget concerns, it was decided by Portland Department of Transportation and Oregon Department of Transportation that the best option for achieving the desired objectives within the available budget is to move forward with the two local agency projects.

Mr. John Gilliam stated that the replacement projects better serve the many of the City of Portland’s goals.

MOTION: Mr. Windsheimer moved, Mr. Gillam seconded, to recommend approval of Resolution No. 09-XXXX to JPACT.

ACTION TAKEN: With all in favor, the motion passed.

8. ADJOURN

Chair McArthur adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tom Matney
Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR OCTOBER 30, 2009

The following have been included as part of the official public record:

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
	Agenda	N/A	Revised October 30 th agenda	103009t-01
6.1	Report	10/2009	2035 Regional Transportation Plan: Public Comment Report	103009t-02
6.2	Memo	10/27/09	To: TPAC, MTAC and Interest Parties From: Deena Platman, Kim Ellis RE: System analysis of the RTP Investment Strategy	103009t-03
7.	Memo	10/28/09	To: TPAC and Interested Parties From: Kim Ellis RE: Regional Transportation Plan Amendments – Discussion Items (Exhibit F) and Consent Items (Exhibit G)	103009t-04
7.	Resolution	10/30/09	Updated draft Resolution No. 09-XXXX, for the Purpose of Accepting the Draft 2035 Regional Transportation Plan, With the Following Elements, for Final Review and Analysis for Air Quality Conformance: The Transportation Systems Management and Operations Action Plan; The Regional Freight Plan; The High Capacity Transit System Plan; and The Regional Transportation Functional Plan	103009t-05
7.1	Memo	10/28/09	To: TPAC and Interested Parties From: Kim Ellis RE: Regional Transportation Plan Amendments – Discussion Items (Exhibit F)	103009t-06

7.1	Matrices	10/30/09	Updated Corridor Refinement Plan matrices: Prioritization and Raw Data + Sources matrices	103009t-07
7.1	Attachment	10/30/09	Updated Attachment 1 to Discussion item 2 regarding Performance Targets	103009t-08
7.1	Memo	10/30/09	To: TPAC, MTAC and Interested Parties From: Kim Ellis RE: Regional Transportation Plan Amendments –TriMet Amendments	103009t-09
7.1	Memo	10/28/09	To: TPAC and Interested Parties From: Kim Ellis RE: Regional Transportation Plan Amendments – Consent Items (Exhibit G)	103009t-10
7.2	Resolution	N/A	Resolution No. 09-XXXX, For the Purpose of Amending the 2008-11 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) to Add the SW Moody Avenue Widening and Harbor Drive/River Parkway Intersection Projects and Eliminate the I-5 @ North Macadam Access Project	103009t-11
	Handout	10/30/09	Updated 2009-10 JPACT work program	103009t-12
	Report	N/A	Shift the Balance on Transportation: Coalition for a Livable Future’s Analysis of the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan Update	103009t-13