



RESERVES CORE 4

Summary Notes

June 22, 2009

Clackamas County Board of Commissioners Office, Oregon City

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

MEETING SUMMARY

Attendees: Tom Brian (Washington County), Jeff Cogen (Multnomah County), Kathryn Harrington (Metro), Charlotte Lehan (Clackamas County), plus Core 4 staff Chuck Beasley (Multnomah County), Brent Curtis (Washington County), Doug McClain (Clackamas County), Karen Schilling (Multnomah County), John Williams (Metro). Public attendees: Carol Chesarek, Tom Coffee, Rob Fallow. Facilitation team: Deb Nudelman and Peter Harkema (Kearns & West).

NOTES:

Agenda Review

Deb called the meeting to order at 9:15 am and reviewed the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

Deb asked for approval of the Core 4 minutes from May 29. There being no comments or additions, the summary was adopted as final.

Core 4 Updates

The Core 4 did not have any updates to share.

Summary of June 10 Reserves Steering Committee Meeting

Deb noted that since Tom Brian and Kathryn Harrington had been unable to attend the June 10 Reserves Steering Committee meeting, the PMT thought it would be helpful to provide a brief overview of the meeting. Deb began the overview by noting that there had been a significant amount of public comment during the June 10 meeting. Kathryn wondered whether more public comment could be expected as the reserves process moves forward and suggested that additional thought be given to how to prepare for this. [Action Item] Deb went on to explain that each county provided an overview of their evaluation process and noted that each county had received helpful feedback and questions from Steering Committee members. John Williams affirmed that Steering Committee members had provided helpful input. Deb went on to explain that Metro staff provided an overview of the Preliminary Employment Report. She concluded by noting that in future Reserves Steering Committee meeting she may solicit input from all Steering Committee members to help ensure a balance of speaking time.

Update on Urban and Rural Reserve Suitability Analysis

Doug McClain provided an overview of Clackamas County's timeline and explained that the Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) expects to complete their work on rural reserves by the end of June. Work on urban reserves will begin in July and the two components will be brought together in

August. Clackamas County has three meetings planned with the County Board and is meeting regularly with the Technical Team and C4. In addition, the Clackamas County Planning Commission will hold a hearing on Monday, August 10 to provide an additional opportunity for public testimony.

Doug then provided an overview of the evaluation process. He distributed an example of the document that Clackamas County staff provides to the PAC for use in their process, as well as an example meeting summary and maps. There was some discussion about specific examples in Clackamas County. Doug noted that Clackamas County has received a significant amount of public input, including many concept plans.

There was considerable discussion about concept plans and the importance of explaining to the public that urban reserve designation does not mean that an area will be brought into the Urban Growth Boundary. Others noted that those providing concept plans should be encouraged to consider “suitability” type information when developing their plans.

The group then discussed some of the challenges related to protecting natural features and if protection can best be accomplished through urban or rural reserve designations. Charlotte Lehan suggested that more be done to explain that natural features may have greater protection in urban reserves.

Chuck Beasley then provided an overview of Multnomah County’s evaluation process. He noted that the Multnomah County Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) is striving to complete rural reserve recommendations by the end of June and then will begin work on urban reserves, with completion expected by the end of July. The County Board will hold a work session in July to discuss rural reserves and another in August to discuss urban reserves. The Multnomah County Planning Commission will also hold a hearing to provide an opportunity for public testimony. Chuck then reviewed an example of the information that County staff are providing to the CAC for consideration in their process. He noted that Multnomah County is using the same table as Clackamas County; there was some group discussion regarding Multnomah County Area Seven.

Brent Curtis provided an overview of the Washington County process. He noted that at the June 10 Reserves Steering Committee meeting he had distributed a document titled *“Phase 3 Rural Reserves Analysis – Update”* which explained how the factors are being applied to Washington County candidate urban and rural reserve areas. In addition, Washington County has developed a template to ensure a consistent reporting process for each area. He said that the Washington County planning directors are meeting weekly and hope to finish their work in July. A recommendation will be brought to the Washington County Coordinating Committee (WCCC) in August. Following an opportunity for public testimony on August 20, the WCCC will deliberate and provide a recommendation in early September. Brent noted that in July, the Oregon Economic & Community Development Department (OECD) and the Farm Bureau will be making presentations to the WCCC.

Charlotte asked for clarification on how Washington County was handling rural reserves. Brent explained that the County is doing most of this work and is also getting good feedback from the cities.

Kathryn suggested that Washington County provide a map of the adjusted candidate urban reserves areas to the website to ensure the public is aware of the changes. [Action Item]

There was group discussion about the parameters of the county recommendations and the composite map that will result from the county processes. Jeff Cogen noted that it would be important to explain that the county recommendations might change during the Core 4's review and decision making and, as such, a feedback loop to the County Boards would be needed. Tom Brian noted that the Core 4 would also have to consider the question of adequacy when looking at the composite map.

Wrap-up/Summary

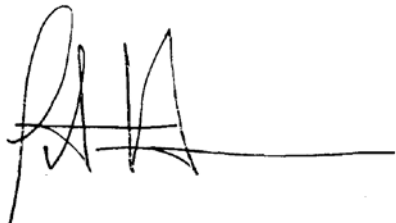
Deb reviewed upcoming meeting dates and confirmed that there was not a need for additional meeting times.

Kathryn noted that there will be a significant amount of information for Steering Committee members to consider at the September 9 meeting. She suggested that the PMT consider sending out materials as they become available and/or sending an email to the Steering Committee giving them advance notice of the amount of information they can expect. [Action Item]

Tom encouraged the group to give additional consideration to how to educate stakeholders regarding expectations for the reserves process. One suggestion was to consider updating the reserves Frequently Asked Questions document. [Action Item]

There being no additional business, Deb adjourned the meeting at 11:06 am.

Meeting summary prepared by Kearns and West.

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