



TRANSPORTATION POLICY ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE

November 20, 2009

Metro Regional Center, Council Chambers

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sorin Garber
Elissa Gertler
Mara Gross
Nancy Kraushaar
Alan Lehto
Mike McKillip
Ron Papsdorf
John Reinhold
Paul Smith
Rian Windsheimer
Sharon Zimmerman

AFFILIATION

Citizen
Clackamas County
Citizen
City of Oregon City, Representing Cities of Clackamas Co.
TriMet
City of Tualatin, Representing Cities of Washington Co.
City of Gresham, Representing Cities of Multnomah Co.
Citizen
City of Portland
Oregon Department of Transportation
Washington Department of Transportation

MEMBERS ABSENT

Brent Curtis
John Hoefs
Susie Lahsene
Keith Liden
Dean Lookingbill
Dave Nordberg
Louis A. Ornelas
Satvinder Sandhu
Karen Schilling
April Siebenaler

AFFILIATION

Washington County
C-TRAN
Port of Portland
Citizen
SW Washington RTC
Department of Environmental Quality
Citizen
FHWA
Multnomah County
Citizen

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Andy Back
Jane McFarland
Scott King

AFFILIATION

Washington County
Multnomah County
Port of Portland

STAFF: Robin McArthur, Ross Roberts, Deborah Redman, Tony Mendoza, Pat Emmerson, Dick Benner, Ken Ray, Ted Leybold, Joshua Naramore, Deena Platman, John Mermin, Kelsey Newell, Tom Matney.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Robin McArthur declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chair McArthur welcomed Ms. Tracy Ann Whalen to the committee. Ms. Whalen was selected to serve as one of three TPAC community representatives beginning in January 2010.

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS TO TPAC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The future agenda items were not discussed.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration of the TPAC minutes for October 30, 2009

Consideration of the TPAC minutes for November 2, 2009

MOTION #1: Mr. Paul Smith moved, Mr. Sorin Garber seconded, to adopt the October 30, 2009 TPAC minutes.

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

MOTION #2: Mr. Ron Papsdorf moved, Mr. Alan Lehto seconded, to adopt the November 2, 2009 TPAC minutes.

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

6. ACTION ITEMS

6.1 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

MOTION #1: Mr. Smith moved to recommend to JPACT approval of Resolution No. 09-XXXX with all MPAC amendments.

ACTION TAKEN: Without a second, the motion failed.

MOTION #2: Mr. Papsdorf moved, Mr. Andy Back seconded, to recommend to JPACT approval of Resolution No. 09-XXXX.

TPAC Recommendation to JPACT on MPAC amendments on Exhibit F

6.1.a RTP Climate Action Plan

AMENDMENT #1: Mr. Smith moved, Mr. Lehto seconded, to recommend to JPACT approval of the following MPAC recommended amendments to Resolution No. 09-XXXX:

1. Amend the final “WHEREAS” to read, “WHEREAS, JPACT and MPAC have recommended ~~acceptance~~approval of the state and federal components of the 2035 RTP by the Metro Council for review and air quality conformance analysis; now therefore...”
2. Amend “BE IT RESOLVED, #1” to read, “~~Accepts~~Approves the Draft 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (“RTP”) (Exhibit A and appendices to this resolution), with the following elements, ~~for analysis of air quality conformance under federal law and~~ for review and public hearings:
 - a. The Transportation System Management and Operations Plan (Exhibit B to this resolution)
 - b. The Regional Freight Plan (Exhibit to this resolution)
 - c. The High Capacity Transit System Plan (Exhibit D to this resolution)
 - d. The Regional Transportation Functional Plan (Exhibit E to this resolution).”
3. Amend “BE IT RESOLVED, #2” to read, “~~Accepts~~Approves for final review and public hearings the revisions to the federal component of the 2035 RTP to reflect additional technical analysis and policy development completed after adoption of Resolution No. 07-3831B.”
4. Add an additional “BE IT RESOLVED” that reads, “Accepts the RTP project lists solely for the purposes of obtaining public comment and determining conformance of the federal priorities project list with the Clean Air Act.”
5. Add an additional “BE IT RESOLVED” that reads, “Directs Metro Staff to: A. Prepare a technical memorandum explaining the methodology for projecting greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions for the 2035 RTP; B. Have an expert in the field review the methodology and suggest improvements; C. During the period that Metro staff is conducting the air quality conformity analysis (January – February 2010), re-run the GHG projections using the improved methodology; D. With the improved GHG projection results and assuming that GHG performance targets for the region are not met, conduct further analysis to determine which projects have the most significant impact on the system’s GHG emissions; E. Report these findings to JPACT, MPAC and the Metro Council and consider changes to the project list during the public comment period (March – April 2010).”

Discussion: Committee members recommended the following amendments:

- Removal of “...for ~~final~~ review and public hearings” for #1, #2, #3 (ODOT);
- Addition of “...of the federal priorities project list with the Clean Air Act...” to #4 (ODOT);
- Removal of “...most significant ~~adverse~~ impacts...” to #5 (Reinhold); and
- Addition of “...impact on the system’s GHG emissions...” to #5 (Reinhold).

Mr. Smith accepted all of the above recommendations as friendly amendments. **(All friendly amendments are recorded in the above amendment.)**

ACTION TAKEN: With four in favor (Gross, Smith, Lehto, Reinhold) and 10 opposed (Kraushaar, McFarland, Zimmerman, Back, Windsheimer, Papsdorf, McKillip, King, Gertler, Garber), amendment #1 failed.

AMENDMENT #2: Ms. Mara Gross moved, Mr. Smith seconded, to recommend to JPACT to amend Resolution No. 09-XXXX to add an additional “BE IT RESOLVED” that reads, “Accepts the RTP project lists solely for the purposes of obtaining public comment and determining conformance of the federal priorities project list with the Clean Air Act.”

Discussion: ODOT recommended addition of “...of the federal priorities project list with the Clean Air Act...” Ms. Gross accepted the recommendation as a friendly amendment. **(All friendly amendments are recorded in the above amendment.)**

ACTION TAKEN: With nine in favor (Lehto, Zimmerman, Gross, Smith, King, Kraushaar, Reinhold, Garber, Back), four opposed (Papsdorf, McKillip, Gertler, McFarland) and one abstained (Windsheimer), amendment #2 passed.

6.1.b RTP Performance Targets

AMENDMENT #3: Mr. Lehto moved, Ms. Elissa Gertler seconded, to recommend to JPACT to amend Resolution No. 09-XXXX to read:

1. Amend RTP Performance Targets and Implementation, Attachment 1, footnote to read, “Consistent with the evaluation methodology used for the High Capacity Transit Plan, essential destination are defined as: hospital s and medical care centers, major retail sites, grocery stores, elementary, middle and high schools, pharmacies, parks/open spaces, major social services centers (with more than 200 monthly LIFT pick-up counts), colleges and universities, employers and greater than 1,5000 employees, sports and attraction sites and major government sites.”

2. Amend RTP Performance Targets and Implementation, Attachment 1 to add a new category under the Environment performance target, titled “*Basic Infrastructure*” that reads, “By 2035, increase by 50 percent the number of essential destinations accessible within 30 minutes by trails, bicycling and public transit or within 15 minutes by sidewalks for all residents.”
3. Amend RTP Performance Targets and Implementation, Attachment 1, Equity, “*Access to Daily Needs*” performance target to read, “By 2035 ~~increase~~~~decrease~~ by 50 percent ~~the disparity in the~~ number of essential destinations accessible within 30 minutes by trails, bicycling and public transit or within 15 minutes by sidewalks for low-income, minority, senior and disabled populations relative to the general population compared to 2005.

Discussion: Mr. Papsdorf recommended amending the access to daily needs target to “By 2035, ~~increase~~~~decrease~~ by 50 percent ~~the disparity in the~~ number...” Mr. Lehto accepted this recommendation as a friendly amendment. **(All friendly amendments are recorded in the above amendment.)**

ACTION TAKEN: With nine in favor, (Smith, McFarland, Gross, Windsheimer, Papsdorf, Lehto, King, Gertler, Garber), four opposed (Kraushaar, Back, McKillip, Reinhold) and one abstained (Zimmerman), amendment #3 passed.

Exhibit G (Consent items for consideration as a package)

Mr. Lehto withdrew *Consent Items for Consideration* #66 and #67.

AMENDMENT #4: Mr. Papsdorf moved, Mr. Lehto seconded, to recommend to JPACT approval of Resolution No. 09-XXXX Exhibit G, *Consent Items for Consideration*.

Discussion: Mr. Smith recommended amendments to *Consent Items for Consideration* #202, #203, #204 and #296. (Complete list of source comments and City of Portland recommended amendments included as part of the meeting record.) Mr. Papsdorf accepted this recommendation as a friendly amendment. **(All friendly amendments are recorded in the above amendment.)**

Mr. Windsheimer recommended amendments to Consent Item #364 in Exhibit G, *Consent Items for Consideration*, as follows: “Consider a wide range of value pricing strategies and techniques as a management tool, including but not limited to parking management to encourage walking, biking and transit ridership and selectively promote short-term and long-term strategies as appropriate.” Mr. Papsdorf accepted this recommendation as a friendly

amendment to Exhibit G, *Consent Items for Consideration*. (**All friendly amendments are recorded in the above amendment.**)

Ms. Kraushaar recommended amendments to Exhibit G, *Consent Items for Consideration*, Consent items #300, #308 and #367 regarding the Sunnybrook Extension project. (Letter from City of Milwaukie City Council included as part of meeting record.) Mr. Papsdorf did not accept this recommendation as a friendly amendment.

ACTION TAKEN: With all in favor and one opposed (Reinhold), amendment #4 passed.

AMENDMENT #5: Ms. Kraushaar moved, Mr. Reinhold seconded, to recommend to JPACT removal of *Consent Items for Consideration* #300, #308 and #367 regarding the Sunnybrook Extension project from Exhibit G for JPACT discussion.

ACTION TAKEN: With 10 in favor (McFarland, Kraushaar, Back, Smith, Papsdorf, Lehto, Gross, Reinhold, Garber, McKillip), two opposed (Windsheimer, Gertler), and two abstained (Zimmerman, King), amendment #5 passed.

Other TPAC Amendments

AMENDMENT #6: Mr. Windsheimer moved, Mr. Garber seconded, to recommend to JPACT to move Exhibit F, Discussion Items for Consideration, #21 regarding the sunset of the Columbia River Crossing project to Exhibit G, *Consent Items for Consideration* with a recommendation of no action in response to this comment.

ACTION TAKEN: With 12 in favor (Windsheimer, Back, Smith, Papsdorf, Lehto, King, Garber, Kraushaar, McFarland, Gertler, Zimmerman, McKillip) and two opposed (Gross, Reinhold), amendment #6 passed.

Draft schedule for completion of Corridor Refinement Plans and near-term HCT plans

Mr. Ross Roberts of Metro provided a brief presentation on the schedule for completion of the Corridor Refinement Plan and the near-term High Capacity Transit corridor plans over the next 10 years. The committee agreed to spend more time discussing the Corridor Refinement Plan priorities and near-term HCT corridor priorities before JPACT makes a final decision. The HCT subcommittee will meet on November 30th to continue this discussion.

AMENDMENT #7: Mr. Mike McKillip moved, Mr. Reinhold seconded, to recommend to JPACT removal of the Corridor Refinement Plan prioritization from Resolution No. 09-XXXX pending further discussion.

ACTION TAKEN: With all in favor, amendment #7 passed.

Final recommendation on RTP Resolution as amended

Mr. Back recommended that “BE IT RESOLVED, #4” be amended to read, “Directs staff to work with ODOT, TriMet and local governments to prepare draft amendments to Exhibit E to this resolution and the Urban Growth Management Functional Plan by ~~March 31, 2010~~ February 12, 2010, to direct how local plans will implement the new RTP.” Mr. Papsdorf did not accept this recommendation as a friendly amendment to the Resolution.

ACTION TAKEN ON MOTION: With six in favor (Kraushaar, McFarland, Back, Papsdorf, Lehto, Gertler), four opposed (Gross, McKillip, Reinhold, Smith), and two abstained (Windsheimer, Zimmerman), motion #2 passed as amended.

8. ADJOURN

Chair McArthur adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tom Matney
Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR NOVEMBER 20, 2009

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

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	Doc DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
	Agenda	11/20/09	Revised Agenda	112009t-01
5	Minutes	11/2/09	Updated Minutes	112009t-02
6.1.a	Amendment	n/a	RTP Amendment	112009t-03
6.1.b	Amendment	n/a	RTP Amendment	112009t-04
6.1	Attachment	11/17/09	RTP Regional Corridor Refinement Plan	112009t-05
6.1	Letter	11/19/09	Sunnybrook Extension Project Amendment Request	112009t-06
6.1	Letter	11/18/09	City of Portland Amendment Request	112009t-07
6.1	Memo	11/20/09	2035 Regional Transportation Plan - Consent Items for Consideration	112009t-08
6.1	Memo	11/21/09	Staff Proposal for Corridor Refinement Plan	112009t-09

6.1	Schedule	11/20/09	DRAFT Schedule3 for Completion of Corridor Refinement Plan and Near-Term High-Capacity Transit Plans over Next 10 Years	112009t-10
	Attachment	10/31/09	ARRA Transportation Reporting Summary: Oregon and Metro Region	112009t-11
	Publication	Fall 2009	OTREC News	112009t-12