

JOINT POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

April 10, 2003

MEMBERS PRESENT

AFFILIATION

Rod Park	Metro Council
Rob Drake	City of Beaverton, representing Cities of Washington County
Maria Rojo de Steffey	Multnomah County
Carl Hosticka	Metro Council
Bill Kennemer	Clackamas County
Kay Van Sickle	Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT – Region 1)
Larry Haverkamp	City of Gresham, representing Cities of Multnomah County
Craig Pridemore	Clark County
Roy Rogers	Washington County
Jim Francesconi	City of Portland
Rex Burkholder	Metro Council
Karl Rohde	City of Lake Oswego, representing Cities of Clackamas County
Stephanie Hallock	Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
Don Wagner	Washington State Department of Transportation

MEMBERS ABSENT

AFFILIATION

Fred Hansen	TriMet
Royce Pollard	City of Vancouver
Bill Wyatt	Port of Portland

ALTERNATES PRESENT

AFFILIATION

Neil McFarlane	TriMet
Dean Lookingbill	SW Washington RTC
Susie Lahsene	Port of Portland

GUESTS PRESENT

AFFILIATION

Vicky Diede	City of Portland
Robin McArthur	Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)
Sam Seskin	Parsons Brinckerhoff
Richard Meyer	City of Cornelius
John Groth	City of Cornelius
Phil Selinger	TriMet
Karen Schilling	Multnomah County
Gregg Everhart	Portland Parks & Recreation
Kathy Busse	Washington County
Laurel Wentworth	City of Portland
Ron Papsdorf	City of Gresham
Laura Oppenheimer	The Oregonian

<u>GUESTS PRESENT (cont.)</u>	<u>AFFILIATION</u>
Dave Nordberg	Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
John Fratt	Port of Vancouver
John Rist	Clackamas County
John Wiebke	City of Hillsboro
Alice Rouyer	City of Milwaukie
Mike Clark	Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT)
Danielle Cowan	City of Wilsonville
Steve Satterlee	Milwaukie-Portland Light Rail Coalition
L.A. Ornelas	OHSU
Tom Markgraf	Congressman Blumenauer's Office
Bob Duchmig	OHSU
Rod Monroe	Metro Council
Brian Newman	Metro Council

STAFF

Gina Whitehill-Baziuk	Richard Brandman	Renee Castilla	Andy Cotugno
Kim Ellis	Tom Kloster	Ross Roberts	

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rod Park called the meeting to order and declared a quorum at 7:20 a.m.

II. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS TO JPACT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no citizen communications.

III. MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2003

ACTION TAKEN: Councilor Karl Rohde moved and Mayor Rob Drake seconded the motion to approve the meeting minutes with corrections. The motion passed.

CORRECTION: Councilor Karl Rohde stated that because he did not receive the UWP in a timely manner, he was not able to review it in depth and expressed his concerns about approval of it.

IV. RESOLUTION NO. 03-3306 APPROVING THE DAMASCUS CONCEPT WORK PLAN

Mr. Andy Cotugno introduced Resolution No. 03-3306 (included as part of this meeting record).

ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Bill Kennemer moved and Councilor Karl Rohde seconded the motion to approve Resolution No. 03-3306.

Commissioner Kennemer stated that Clackamas County would be contributing money from their urban renewal funds to assist with the total funding.

Councilor Carl Hosticka stated that when the Metro Council discussed Damascus Concept Work Plan, they stated that it was important that the people that live in the area lead the planning process. He asked what had been done to ensure that it had happened.

Mr. Andy Cotugno stated that there are two participating community based organizations. One that is reviewing incorporation and the other that is reviewing concept planning. He stated that the entire Work Program includes processes that would be led by these community based organizations, however he reminded the committee members that the decision making responsibilities lie with the jurisdictions unless the area was incorporated.

Commissioner Kennemer stated that Clackamas County had anticipated that growth would eventually come to the Damascus area. Therefore, they had begun a strong outreach program to encourage the community organizations to be more active.

ACTION TAKEN: The motion passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

V. RESOLUTION NO. 03-3303 ADOPTING THE LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE FOR THE SOUTH CORRIDOR PROJECT

Mr. Richard Brandman presented the background for the South Corridor Project (included as part of this meeting record).

Mr. Richard Brandman introduced Resolution No. 03-3303 (included as part of this meeting record).

ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Maria Rojo de Steffey moved and Commissioner Bill Kennemer seconded the motion to approve Resolution No. 03-3303 Adopting the Locally Preferred Alternative for the South Corridor Project.

Ms. Stephanie Hallock asked if there was a vision or plan in place for the revitalization of the Portland Mall.

Mr. Richard Brandman stated that it would include cosmetic fixes, for example broken bricks.

Commissioner Jim Francesconi stated that at the north end of the Mall, vacancies in units are high. He further stated that the plan does not include parking at the mall, but does include three lanes of traffic through the design. He said that the Mayor of Portland convened a committee to work through design issues and that they asked for public comment as well. He said that the City is concerned with the local match and they have since asked the committee to find a match as well as finalize the design. He also said that Portland State University has offered to contribute a significant amount toward funding to bring the MAX to them.

Commissioner Roy Rogers commented that Washington County was not involved in the process; but would complement Metro and the other jurisdictions for their hard work. He offered one recommendation to the committee and that was to include other jurisdictions in the informational loop even if they are not directly affected. While they are fully in support of the region and its

priorities, it is important to understand everything to justify the \$167 million locally. He further asked if there were plans to connect the Commuter Rail line to the MAX.

Mr. Richard Brandman replied that yes it would be.

Commissioner Kennemer expressed apologies for not communicating with Washington County. He stated that the project took a lot of effort and skill from all partners involved and thanked them accordingly.

Councilor Karl Rohde accorded thanks to Councilor Brian Newman for his efforts in coordinating community support for the locally preferred alternative for south corridor.

ACTION TAKEN: The motion passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

VI. RESOLUTION NO. 03-3309 AMENDING THE FY 02-05 MTIP TO AUTHORIZE OBLIGATION OF US DOT FY 03 TRANSIT AND ROADWAY "EARMARK" APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Andy Cotugno presented Resolution No. 03-3309 (included as part of this meeting record).

Mr. Cotugno presented a request from City of Portland to add in the locally funded portion of the streetcar (included as part of this meeting record).

ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Jim Francesconi moved and Commissioner Roy Rogers seconded the motion to approve Resolution No. 03-3309 with amendment from the City of Portland. The motion passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

VII. OREGON HIGHWAY DESIGN MANUAL/SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION AREAS COMMENT LETTER TO OREGON TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Mr. Tom Kloster presented the comment letter to the Oregon Transportation Commission regarding Oregon Highway Design Manual/Special Transportation Areas (included as part of this meeting record).

Chair Rod Park stated that the comments are important because some projects are being delayed by as much as a year and that has negative impacts on business.

Ms. Kay Van Sickel asked if there was a specific reason for timing for this.

Mr. Andy Cotugno stated that ODOT would be adopting and printing the final version this summer. Therefore, if any changes are needed, they must be submitted soon.

Ms. Stephanie Hallock commented that Bruce Warner was not copied on the letter.

Ms. Susie Lahsene stated that she would have difficulty supporting that this letter move forward unless it, in some way, refers to the importance of freight routes as they relate to the STA component.

Chair Rod Park suggested approving the letter with any proposed changes with the proviso that if there is time, it is sent back to TPAC for further review.

Councilor Rex Burkholder emphasized the importance of the OTC understanding the concerns of this region and said he feels this letter would start a discussion process to include local consultation and analysis when STAs are adopted.

Ms. Susie Lahsene reiterated the importance of having conversations regarding the maps and where STAs are designated along freight routes.

Ms. Stephanie Hallock expressed her concerns with the letter being addressed to the OTC and not the agency director.

Councilor Rex Burkholder stated that staff had been trying to communicate with ODOT staff unsuccessfully. Therefore, it was addressed to the OTC accordingly.

Commissioner Bill Kennemer recommended the letter to be sent back to TPAC for further review by the appropriate technical staff and then be brought back to JPACT for further consideration.

ACTION TAKEN: Councilor Karl Rohde moved and Mayor Rob Drake seconded the motion to approve the Comment Letter to Oregon Transportation Commission on Oregon Highway Design Manual/Special Transportation Areas and if possible refer it back to TPAC for discussion if time allows, otherwise the letter would be forwarded to the OTC. The motion passed by all members and alternates present.

VIII. MTIP PRIORITIES 2004-07 – 150% LIST FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

Chair Rod Park reminded the committee members that a potential ballot measure might be brought forward by Senator Metsger that would include \$1.4 billion for bridge fixes and \$170 million for road modernization. Therefore, it would be wise to position projects strategically given the amount of funding that could come available.

Ted Leybold presented the MTIP Priorities 2004-07 (included as part of this meeting record).

Ted Leybold presented the 150% list (included as part of this meeting record) and gave a brief history of both TPAC's recommendations regarding Sunnyside Road and 10th Avenue in Hillsboro.

Ted Leybold presented a memo regarding the 10th avenue project (included as part of this meeting record).

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Rob Drake moved and Commissioner Roy Rogers seconded the motion that the Murray Blvd: Scholl's Ferry to Barrows Road (at Walnut Street) be substituted for the Farmington Road/Murray Blvd. Intersection improvement project.

Mayor Rob Drake stated that the Murray Blvd. Extension is key to the Progress Quarry Planned Unit Development (PUD) currently being reviewed by the City of Beaverton. He said that the proposal is for a 110-acre development consisting of 340 individually owned town homes, 204 carriage flats, and 202 apartment units with associated improvements, a 20-acre potential commercial area, a lake, a linear park, and an enhanced Summer Creek and associated wetlands and grove. He said that development of the Murray/Scholl's Town Center is critical to the City's and the region's ability to achieve the 2040 Growth Concept. He briefly explained that the design of the Murray Blvd. Extension includes a bridge over Summer Creek (currently a marginalized drainage ditch) that achieves a high level of wetland and wildlife enhancement.

Councilor Karl Rohde asked what the City match is on the project.

Mayor Rob Drake stated that the residential developer has agreed to contribute (front-end) 25% of the cost for the Murray extension

ACTION TAKEN: The motion to approve the substitution passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

Mr. Neil McFarlane accorded thanks for past funding; and presented a letter from Fred Hansen (included as part of this meeting record).

ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Neil McFarlane moved and Commissioner Jim Francesconi seconded the motion to increase the \$3.20 million recommended for the Frequent Bus Corridors category be increased to \$4.00 million; an increase of \$800,000.

Councilor Carl Hosticka asked if projects are increased in funding or moved further up onto the list; if JPACT needs to then move projects off the list.

Mr. Andy Cotugno replied that it was the discretion of JPACT whether to move things off the list now or let all projects go through to public comment.

ACTION TAKEN: The motion to increase the funding for the Frequent Buss Corridors passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

Commissioner Jim Francesconi recommended that any projects that have match but put above the live public comment.

ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Maria Rojo de Steffey moved and Commissioner Roy Rogers seconded the motion to move the Broadway Bridge Span 7 Painting project above the cut line.

Maria Rojo de Steffey stated that preservation of the bridge is extremely important because it would reduce the need of replacement of the bridge in the future.

ACTION TAKEN: The motion to move the Broadway Bridge project above the cut line passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Bill Kennemer moved and Karl Rohde seconded the motion to add the Sunnyside Road: 142nd to 152nd onto the list. The motion passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

Councilor Karl Rohde asked for explanation why the I-5/99W Corridor Study did not make it above the cut line although Mike Burton's Transportation Investment Task Force named it as a priority corridor for funding.

Mr. Andy Cotugno explained that there are 18 different corridor studies either begun or waiting for funding. He said that TPAC considered a motion to name the I-5/99W corridor as the priority corridor. However the motion failed and it was decided that funding should be allocated to a RTP next priority corridor that would be named later.

ACTION TAKEN: Councilor Karl Rohde moved and Councilor Carl Hosticka seconded the motion to move the I-5/99W Corridor Study above the cut line.

Ms. Kay Van Sickel stated that ODOT had named this corridor a high priority for study.

ACTION TAKEN: The motion to move the I-5/99W Corridor Study above the cut line passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Roy Rogers moved and Commissioner Bill Kennemer seconded the motion to substitute the Murray/Cornell to Science Park for the Cornell: Evergreen to Bethany project. The motion passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Neil McFarlane moved and Mayor Rob Drake seconded the motion to move the 10th Ave: E. Main to Baseline above the cut line. The motion passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Rob Drake moved and Commissioner Roy Rogers seconded the motion to move the Highway 8 Intersection @ 10th above the cut line. The motion passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

ACTION TAKEN: Councilor Rex Burkholder moved and Councilor Karl Rohde seconded the motion to change the name of the Transportation Priorities 2004-07 TPAC Recommended 150% List to Transportation Priorities 2004-07 First Cut List. The motion passed unanimously by all members and alternates present.

IX. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Park adjourned the meeting at 9: 12 a.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Renee Castilla