

# TRANSPORTATION POLICY ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 30, 2010

Metro Regional Center, Council Chambers

MEMBERS PRESENT AFFILIATION

Robin McArthur, Chair Metro Sorin Garber Citizen

Elissa Gertler Clackamas County

Mara Gross Citizen
Keith Liden Citizen

Scott King Port of Portland

Nancy Kraushaar City of Oregon City, representing Cities of Clackamas County

Alan Lehto TriMet

Mike McKillip City of Tualatin, representing Cities of Washington County

John Reinhold Citizen

Satvinder Sandhu Federal Highway Administration

Tracy Ann Whalen Citizen

Rian Windsheimer Oregon Department of Transportation, Region 1

MEMBERS EXCUSED AFFILIATION
Brent Curtis Washington County

John Hoefs C-TRAN

Dean Lookingbill Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Commission Katherine Kelly City of Gresham, representing Cities of Multnomah County

Dave Nordberg Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

Karen Schilling Multnomah County Paul Smith City of Portland

Jenny Weinstein Citizen

Sharon Zimmerman Washington State Department of Transportation

ALTERNATES PRESENT
Andy Back

AFFILIATION
Washington County

Nancy Cardwell Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

Courtney Duke City of Portland
Jane McFarland Multnomah County

Ron Papsdorf City of Gresham, representing Cities of Multnomah County

<u>STAFF PRESENT</u>: Kim Ellis, Ted Leybold, Tom Matney, Josh Naramore, Kelsey Newell, Amy Rose, Caleb Winter, Deborah Redman, Deena Platman.

# 1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

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

### 2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Alan Lehto of TriMet announced that Neil McFarland will be the General Manager of TriMet beginning July 1.

# 3. <u>CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS TO TPAC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS</u>

There was none.

# 4. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>

- Approval of the TPAC Minutes for March 26, 2010
- Resolution No. 10-4139, For the Purpose of Approving the Regional Travel Options Program Work Plan and Funding Sub-Allocations for Fiscal Year 2010-2011
- Resolution No. 10-4144, For the Purpose of Amending the 2008-11 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) to Update Programming of the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Allocation

MOTION: Mr. Lehto moved, Mr. Mike McKillip seconded, to approve the consent agenda.

<u>Discussion</u>: Mr. Lehto requested the text in item 6.1 be amended to read: "Mr. Lehto of Trimet underscored that changes to ozone requirements are expected, and the region will be close to <u>- and may well exceed - maximum levels if no action is taken." This was accepted as a friendly amendment.</u>

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

# 5. <u>ACTION ITEMS</u>

5.1 Resolution No. 10-4141, For the Purpose of Amending the 2008-11 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) To Delete Funding for the I-5/99W Tualatin - Sherwood Connector Project and Add Funding to Six Arterial Projects

Mr. Ted Leybold of Metro briefed the committee on Resolution No. 10-4141. The "I-5/99W Connector Project" was originally envisioned to be a new limited access road from Hwy 99W near Sherwood to Interstate 5 near the Tualatin/Wilsonville area. Following a comprehensive analysis of seven alternatives for addressing mobility in the region, the Policy Steering Committee (PSC) – made up of representatives from Metro, Washington and Clackamas Counties, local cities and ODOT – determined that a system of local arterials, along with improvements to Hwy 99W and Interstate 5, was the preferred alternative.

Mr. Rian Windsheimer of ODOT further briefed the committee on the background of Resolution No. 10-4141, specifically reviewing the decision-making process and components of each individual project.

<u>MOTION</u>: Mr. Windsheimer moved, Ms. Nancy Kraushaar seconded, to recommend to JPACT approval of Resolution No. 10-4141.

<u>Discussion</u>: The committee advised Washington County and the Oregon Department of Transportation to prepare a letter for JPACT that summarizes the purpose of Resolution No. 10-4141 and outlines the proposed projects. Since Highway 99W remains a regional corridor, the committee agreed that the letter should be discussed with Clackamas County prior to forwarding to JPACT for approval. In addition to the letter, the committee recommended revising Resolution No. 10-4141 and the related staff report to accurately describe the decision-making process that led to the selection of the arterial projects.

ACTION TAKEN: With all in favor, one opposed (Reinhold), the motion passed.

#### 6. INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### **6.1** Regional Flexible Fund Policy

Mr. Leybold briefed the committee on the 2014-15 Regional Flexible Fund Allocation process. At its April 2 retreat, JPACT requested the creation of funding program options that maximize the regional impact of funds remaining after allocation to existing regional programs. Mr. Leybold asked TPAC to provide input on the policy options for JPACT's consideration.

The committee discussed the following topics:

- Public comment on funding projects;
- Integrate more analysis of Title 6 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 on funding programs;
- Review of existing regional programs;
- Principles of funding program; and
- Funding program category options, including freight mobility, green economy initiative, active transportation program, and new funding preparedness.

TPAC provided recommendations on how to present policy materials to JPACT for their consideration at the May 13 meeting, where JPACT will deliberate the proposed framework. JPACT will take action on the 2014-15 RFFA policy report at the June 10 meeting.

# **6.2** Proposed Amendments to New Local Governments (Regional Transportation Functional Plan)

Ms. Kim Ellis of Metro briefed the committee on the timeline for the Regional Transportation Plan process and overviewed the proposed amendments to the RTP Functional Plan. The RTP Functional Plan directs how city and county plans will implement the new RTP through their

respective comprehensive plans, local transportation system plans (TSPs) and other land use regulations.

The committee discussed a series of technical amendments related to transportation solutions, interim regional mobility policy, demonstration of progress toward achievement of RTP targets and standards, maintaining state highway performance as much as feasible and to avoid further degradation, parking management plans in centers and station communities, and compliance with Title 6 and performance targets.

TPAC is scheduled to make a final recommendation to JPACT on the RTP at their May 28 meeting.

#### 6.3 House Bills 2001 and 2186

Due to time constrains, this agenda item was postponed until the May 28 TPAC meeting.

# 7. ADJOURN

Chair McArthur adjourned the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Matney

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**Recording Secretary** 

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR APRIL 30, 2010 The following have been included as part of the official public record:

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
	Schedule	04/30/10	ODOT High-Speed Rail Open House	043010j-01
	Pamphlet	04/30/10	Bike There! Map	043010j-01
6.1	Memo	04/30/10	JPACT exercise to provide direction on the 2014-15 Regional Flexible Fund Allocation	043010j-04
6.2	Handout	04/28/10	2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Summary of Comments Received and Recommendations	043010j-03