

MEETING REPORT

DATE OF MEETING: May 12, 1988

GROUP/SUBJECT: Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT)

PERSONS ATTENDING: Members: Richard Waker, Carter MacNichol (alt.), George Van Bergen, James Cowen, Bob Bothman, Tom Brian, Jim Gardner, Scott Collier, Marjorie Schmunk, Wade Byers, and Ed Lindquist

Guests: Alan Squires, Student of Tigard High School; Ted Spence and Denny Moore, ODOT; Steve Fosler, Northwest District Association; Peter Fry, CEIC; Gary Spanovich, Clackamas County; Steve Dotterer, City of Portland; Cynthia Weston, Tri-Met; Richard Ross, City of Gresham; Bebe Rucker, Port of Portland; and Robert Rogers, Portland Chamber of Commerce

Staff: Andy Cotugno, John Cullerton and Lois Kaplan, Secretary

MEDIA: None

SUMMARY:

Chairman Waker welcomed Jim Gardner back to JPACT (filling the vacancy created by Larry Cooper).

Mayor Brian introduced Alan Squires, his guest at the meeting and a student at Tigard High School participating in a government/student exchange day.

MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 18, 1988

The April 18, 1988 JPACT meeting report was approved as written.

AUTHORIZING FEDERAL FUNDS FOR SEVEN SECTION 16(b)(2) SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS AND AMENDING THE TIP

John Cullerton explained that 16(b)(2) funds are authorized by UMTA for capital grants to elderly and handicapped providers for the purchase of special transportation vehicles. Approval of Resolution No. 88-914 would allow the applicants to compete statewide for such funds through ODOT's Public Transit Division. A supportive letter has been received from Tri-Met indicating

no duplication of services.

Action Taken: It was moved and seconded to recommend approval of Resolution No. 88-914 authorizing federal funds for seven Section 16(b)(2) special transportation projects and amending the TIP. Motion CARRIED unanimously.

STATUS OF TRANSPORTATION FINANCE EFFORTS

Andy Cotugno distributed a packet summarizing the various transportation funding efforts underway in the Portland metropolitan area. He briefed the Committee on the objectives of the Public-Private Task Force on Transit Finance, the Business Task Force on Regional Transportation Priorities and Funding, the JPACT Finance Committee and the interrelationship between the three groups and their findings to date.

A discussion followed regarding what LRT-related development opportunities might be pursued and whether land should be purchased for development, and what the order-of-magnitude might be in terms of revenue from the private sector. Further discussions need to be held on what share of the funding should be realized from the private sector. Also, Andy noted that the Federal Government is re-examining the issue of funding participation in transit-oriented development.

Andy emphasized that the handout represented his interpretation of the consensus reached by the aforementioned committees. Andy noted Washington County's concern that a gas tax should not be thought of in terms of capital funding.

It was announced that the next scheduled meeting of the JPACT Finance Committee is Monday, May 23, at 2:00 p.m. at Metro.

Andy then reviewed the four funding options for transportation based upon minimum and optimum state support. James Cowen stated that Tri-Met would not be interested in a sinking fund that could not be used for operating expenses.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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