

MEETING REPORT

DATE OF MEETING: April 18, 1988

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

PERSONS ATTENDING: Members: Richard Waker, Earl Blumenauer, Bob
Woodell, Pauline Anderson, Wade Byers, Jim
Cowen, Bonnie Hays, Ed Lindquist, George
Van Bergen, and Bob Bothman

Guests: Ted Spence, Rick Kuehn and Denny
Moore, ODOT; Steve Fosler, N.W.D.A.; Susie
Lahsene, Multnomah County; Bebe Rucker, Port
of Portland; Richard Ross, Cities of
Multnomah County; Carter MacNichol, Port of
Portland; Lee Hames, Tri-Met; and Steve
Dotterrer and Grace Crunican, City of
Portland

Staff: Andy Cotugno, Karen Thackston, and
Lois Kaplan, Secretary

MEDIA: None

SUMMARY:

Chairman Waker introduced and welcomed new JPACT members Jim Cowen (representing Tri-Met) and Bob Woodell (representing the Port of Portland).

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The March 10, 1988 JPACT meeting report was approved as written.

APPROVING THE FY 1989 UNIFIED WORK PROGRAM

Andy Cotugno reviewed the Staff Report to the UWP and noted that Resolution No. 88-896 reflects an increase in ODOT and e(4) funds of \$50,000.

Action Taken: It was moved and seconded to recommend adoption of Resolution No. 88-896 for the purpose of approving the FY 89 Unified Work Program. Motion CARRIED unanimously.

AMENDING THE TIP FOR TRANSIT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Andy Cotugno reviewed the staff report and resolution dealing with transit capital funding required in the five-year Transit

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Development Plan (endorsed by Metro on December 22, 1987) and examination of projects currently funded under Section 3 "Trade", Interstate Transfer, new Section 3 Discretionary and Interstate-4R funds. To line up capital needs with funding sources, projects were categorized for "routine capital replacements" and "those required for expansion."

Andy then reviewed the attachments to the resolution and briefed the Committee on their importance. He emphasized that the region's priority should be to keep the bus system running.

During discussion, Lee Hames acknowledged that the projects that have been determined of lesser priority are the expansion projects, those not necessarily needed to run the system.

Chairman Waker expressed concern over the use of e(4) funds for the purchase of buses. He felt that Tri-Met made some choices years ago affecting these projects, and that the e(4) funds should be geared toward projects rather than buses.

In clarification, Andy noted that buying buses is like maintaining the road system; it is essential for keeping it on the ground today. He emphasized again that the priority is to keep the system running and intact rather than an expansion program.

Action Taken: It was moved and seconded to recommend adoption of Resolution No. 88-897 amending the Transportation Improvement Program for the transit capital improvements. Motion CARRIED. Councilor Waker dissented.

AMENDING THE FY 1988 UNIFIED WORK PROGRAM

Andy Cotugno explained that \$100,000 of Interstate Transfer funds were authorized for Convention Center light rail station preliminary engineering under Resolution No. 88-859 that amended the TIP and that the amendment to the UWP is required in order to receive the funds from UMTA.

Action Taken: It was moved and seconded to recommend approval of Resolution No. 88-911 amending the Unified Work Program to include the Convention Center light rail station with its budget of \$117,647. Motion CARRIED unanimously.

UPDATE ON JPACT FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE

Andy Cotugno reported that the JPACT Finance Committee reviewed

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finance options at its last meeting involving four different levels of transit funding. Each of the four options is specific as to a proposed source of funding and the rate to accomplish the program. The task is to narrow it down and reach a consensus on one of the options before it can have broader public review. Andy noted that the next scheduled meeting will be held at Metro at 3:00 p.m. on April 29. Each jurisdiction has the responsibility of bringing to that meeting their preferences and concerns.

A discussion followed as to what role the private sector will play in the public-private partnership. The task ahead will be to have a realistic expectation for the private sector regarding an alleged partnership, what the options are, and range of possibilities. He was optimistic that conclusions would be reached by Labor Day.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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