

MEETING REPORT

DATE OF MEETING: December 11, 1986

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

PERSONS ATTENDING: Members: Richard Waker; Fred Hansen; Larry Cole; Bob Schumacher; Ron Thom; George Van Bergen; Wes Myllenbeck; Jim Gardner (alt.); Bob Bothman (alt.); Pauline Anderson; Lloyd Anderson; and Marvin Woidyla

Guests: Peter Fry, Central Eastside Industrial Council; Ray Polani, Citizens for Better Transit; Bonnie Hays, Washington County Commission; Susie Lahsene, Multnomah County; Ted Spence and Rick Kuehn, ODOT; Steve Dotterer and Grace Crunican, City of Portland; Bebe Rucker, Port of Portland; Lee Hames, Tri-Met; and Geraldine Ball, CWFF

Staff: Rick Gustafson, Executive Officer; and Andrew Cotugno, Bill Pettis, Karen Thackston, Chuck Stoudt and Lois Kaplan, Secretary

MEDIA: None

SUMMARY:

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The Meeting Report of the November 13 JPACT meeting was approved as written.

AMENDING THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO REFLECT THE ADOPTED SIX-YEAR HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Andy Cotugno informed the Committee that this Resolution was a house-keeping action to update the TIP to reflect the adopted Six-Year Highway Improvement Program. He then reviewed the attachments depicting the staging and phasing of projects.

In clarification on Attachment B to the Staff Report, it was noted that the Terwilliger Overcrossing project was omitted in error from the TIP, and hence the adjustment.

Action Taken: It was moved and seconded to recommend approval of Resolution No. 86-712 amending the TIP to reflect the adopted Six-Year Highway Improvement Program. Motion PASSED unanimously.

ALLOCATION OF INTERSTATE TRANSFER REGIONAL RESERVE

Andy Cotugno reviewed the allocation of the Interstate Transfer Regional Reserve and the issues raised by TPAC at its November 26 meeting. The resulting recommendations were outlined in a memo to JPACT

dated December 1, 1986. It included the recommendations for allocation of the Reserve by an April 1 deadline, stipulations to cover known and uncertain costs of the Banfield Transitway and I-505 projects, an allocation of funds to projects identified in the Interstate Transfer Program, an allocation of funds to transit capital purposes, and agreement to underwrite project costs for a vintage trolley project from the Reserve if costs exceed the budget commitment provided in the Full-Funding Agreement. It was clarified that UMTA conditioned approval of an FY 86 Section 3 grant application on Tri-Met's providing assurance that the first \$1 million exceeding the Full-Funding Agreement commitment would be borne by Tri-Met.

A discussion followed on projects with existing overruns and the issue of whether or not considerations of growth and traffic increases should place new projects in contention with those under development. Andy Cotugno explained that past policy has been to finance those projects that have been started. He added that many projects go through development knowing full well that they will be underfunded and will either have to be scaled back or experience cost overruns. If the policy is to be changed, he asked that JPACT indicate new direction. Bob Bothman stated that once a construction contract has been awarded, cost overruns must be paid.

The consensus was that the allocation process should be re-evaluated in terms of funding priorities and perhaps new projects identified in the Concept Program should be considered in line with ongoing projects.

Action Taken: Chairman Waker directed that Andy Cotugno prepare a status report on Interstate Transfer projects for review and discussion at January's JPACT meeting that would indicate project costs, costs to complete projects following preliminary engineering, amount available in each category and a listing of new potential projects identified in the Concept Program.

RETIREMENT OF JPACT MEMBERS

Chairman Waker announced that this would be the last meeting for Metro Executive Officer Rick Gustafson and for Committee members Marvin Woidyla, Wes Myllenbeck and Margaret Strachan. Their service and contribution to JPACT was commemorated in a plaque presented to each on behalf of the Committee.

Action Taken: It was moved and seconded to recommend approval of the Resolutions presented which read as follows:

WHEREAS, (Marvin Woidyla) (Margaret Strachan) (Wes Myllenbeck) was appointed to the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) eons ago; and

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WHEREAS, (his/her) participation has greatly contributed to the spirit of regional cooperation; and

WHEREAS, (Marvin, Margaret, Wes) has served dutifully and faithfully, not letting weather, adverse publicity or early morning meetings deter him/her;

now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That JPACT extends to (Marvin, Margaret, Wes) its gratitude and best wishes.

ADOPTED by JPACT this 11th day of December, 1986.

Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Rick Gustafson spoke of local government's involvement since its smooth transition from that of CRAG to Metro, and cited his pride of the Committee. He felt that the process has worked well because of the commitment and leadership of staff and Committee members, its ability to set regional policy and provide leadership collectively. He spoke of JPACT as a good role model -- seeking new ways to fund projects to accommodate future growth. He thanked the Committee for his experience in working with JPACT.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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