



METRO POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
September 22, 2010
Metro Regional Center, Council Chambers

MEMBERS PRESENT

Matt Berkow
Pat Campbell
Jody Carson
Steve Clark
Nathalie Darcy
Dennis Doyle
Amanda Fritz
Jack Hoffman
Carl Hosticka
Dick Jones
Charlotte Lehan, Vice Chair
Robert Liberty
Marilyn McWilliams
Charlynn Newton
Rod Park
Wilda Parks
Alice Norris
Judy Shiprack
Mike Weatherby
Jerry Willey, Second Vice Chair

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Sam Adams
Ken Allen
Shane Bemis
Keith Mays
Steve Stuart
Richard Whitman

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Shirley Craddick
Jennifer Donnelly

STAFF:

Dick Benner, Alison Kean Campbell, Councilor Carlotta Collette, Dan Cooper, Chris Deffebach, Councilor Kathryn Harrington, Robin McArthur, Kelsey Newell, Sherry Oeser, Ken Ray, Randy Tucker, Sheena VanLeuven

AFFILIATION

Multnomah County Citizen
City of Vancouver
City of West Linn, representing Clackamas Co. Other Cities
TriMet Board of Directors
Washington County Citizen
City of Beaverton, representing Washington Co. 2nd Largest City
City of Portland Council
City of Lake Oswego, representing Clackamas Co. Largest City
Metro Council
Clackamas County Special Districts
Clackamas County Commission
Metro Council
Washington County Special Districts
City of North Plains, representing Washington Co. outside UGB
Metro Council
Clackamas County Citizen
City of Oregon City, representing Clackamas Co. 2nd Largest City
Multnomah County Commission
City of Fairview, representing Multnomah County Other Cities
City of Hillsboro, representing Washington County Largest City

AFFILIATION

City of Portland Council
Port of Portland
City of Gresham, representing Multnomah Co. 2nd Largest City
City of Sherwood, representing Washington Co. Other Cities
Clark County, Washington Commission
Oregon Department of Land Conservation & Development

AFFILIATION

City of Gresham, representing Multnomah Co. 2nd Largest City
Oregon Department of Land Conservation & Development

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Vice Chair Charlotte Lehan declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m.

2. SELF INTRODUCTIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Audience and committee members introduced themselves.

Vice Chair Charlotte Lehan indicated that the committee will discuss how to proceed in light of the resignation of Mayor Shane Bemis as MPAC Chair at the October 13th meeting.

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

4. CONSIDERATION OF THE MPAC MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 8, 2010

MOTION: Mayor Alice Norris moved, and Ms. Wilda Parks seconded, to approve the MPAC minutes for September 8, 2010.

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

5. COUNCIL UPDATE

Metro Councilor Robert Liberty updated the Council on:

- Metro will host open houses in Hillsboro and Gresham for members of the public to weigh in on Metro COO Michael Jordan's recommendations and provide feedback to the Council. Briefings will also be held for local elected officials and planning commissioners on September 29 and 30; and
- The Metro Council unanimously approved an ordinance enacting a request from the City of Portland to change the Title 4 designation of some sites in the city's NW District that was mentioned at the previous meeting.

6. INFORMATION/ DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Linking Policies with Investments: Regional Framework Plan Recommendations

Ms. Sherry Oeser of Metro outlined the amendments propose by MPAC and MTAC to the Metro COO recommendations on policies in the Land Use Chapter of the Regional Framework Plan, and asked for preliminary recommendations from the committee to the Council. Ms. Oeser referred to the memo "Proposed Amendments to Regional Framework Plan" for each of the proposed amendments, which is included as part of the meeting record.

The committee gave preliminary recommendations on each of the five amendments recommended for further discussion including:

- Amendments to *Compact Urban Form*, sections 1.2.2 through 1.2.5 as recommended by the Homebuilders Association;
 - Preliminary recommendation: MPAC did not support this amendment, because it would dilute the effectiveness of investing in centers, corridors, station communities, and main streets in achieving the 2040 growth concept.
- Amendments to *Housing Choices and Opportunities*, section 1.3.1, as recommended by Multnomah County;
 - Preliminary recommendation: support for this amendment with the following changes: “provide” be replaced with “that” and “including” be changed to “include”; a semicolon be added after “housing”:
1.3.1 That housing choices in the region include single family, multi-family, ownership and rental housing; and housing offered by the private, public and nonprofit sectors for households with incomes at or below 80, 50, and 30 percent of median family income.
- Amendments to *Housing Choices and Opportunities*, section 1.3.13, as recommended by Multnomah County;
 - There was no consensus among MPAC members on Multnomah County’s proposed amendment to add investments in affordable housing as a strategy to reduce household transportation costs.
- Amendments to *Employment Choices and Opportunities*, section 1.4.5, as recommended by the City of Lake Oswego;
 - MPAC support staff’s recommended language to amend Policy 1.4.5 to call out investing in brownfield sites and opposed the original proposed amendment to give brownfields the highest priority for investments.
- Amendments to *Employment Choices and Opportunities*, section 1.4.6, as recommended by TriMet and City of Lake Oswego;
 - Preliminary recommendation: approve language on “marketplace demand of traded sector industry clusters”; remove “Transit availability shall be a critical factor in determining which sites are included”, because transit is unlikely to service an area when a site is undeveloped and the demand for transit does not yet exist there:
1.4.6 Consistent with policies promoting a compact urban form, ensure that the region maintains a sufficient and geographically diverse supply of tracts 50 acres and larger to meet marketplace demand of traded sector industry clusters and that the region protects those sites from conversion to non-industrial uses and conversion into smaller lot sizes.
- The City of Portland request that item A2 be removed from the consent agenda and discussed by the committee;
 - The committee did not arrive at a recommendation for this item. Discussion included whether the use of “equitably” in A6 already adequately encompasses the concept of equity in the document, whether adding “equitably” would in fact narrow the policy, and whether inserting “equitably” strengthens the emphasis on benefits to future residents.

- Mr. Steve Clark recommended amending “current and future” to “all” in A2. The committee generally supported maintaining the existing language.
- Amendments recommended or not recommended for approval by consent.
 - Preliminary recommendation: support for the staff recommendations.

6.2 Implementing Policies: Urban Growth Management Functional Plan Recommendations

Ms. Sherry Oeser outlined Metro COO and MTAC recommendations on revisions to the Urban Growth Management Functional Plan, specifically with regard to Title 8 on Compliance Procedures. She asked for feedback and preliminary recommendations for the committee on these revisions.

Committee discussion included:

- Potential implications of the recommended changes;
- Whether “citizen” should be changed to “person” in section 3.07.860;
- Support for MTAC’s suggestion that JPACT and MPAC receive the annual compliance report;
- How the proposed changes to Title 8 would streamline the process to review compliance extension or exception requests;
- Whether the changes would make the compliance process more administrative and would limit citizens’ or jurisdictions’ ability to know about a compliance issue and bring it before the Metro Council; and
- General concern about how citizen involvement in the compliance process would be affected by the recommended changes.

6.3 Updates to the 2040 Growth Concept Map

The committee decided to return to this item at the October 13, 2010 MPAC meeting.

7. MPAC MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

8. ADJOURN

Vice Chair Charlotte Lehan adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR SEPTEMBER 22, 2010:

The following have been included as part of the official public record:

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
6.1	Memo	09/20/2010	To: MPAC From: Sherry Oeser Re: Proposed Amendments to the RFP	092210m-01
6.1	Handout	09/16/2010	Exhibit A to Ordinance No. 10-1244 (Redline)	092210m-02
6.2	Handout	09/22/2010	Worksheet: UGMFP Recommendations	092210m-03
6.2	Handout	09/2010	Ordinance 10-1244: Exhibit I	092210m-04
6.3	Memo	09/09/2010	To: MTAC From: Chris Deffebach Re: Chief Operating Officer Recommendations: Center designation changes on the 2040 Growth Concept Map	092210m-05
	Letter	09/21/2010	Letter of Resignation of MPAC Chair	092210m-06
	Memo	09/22/2010	To: Metro Council, MPAC From: Office of Metro Attorney Re: Effect of Resignation by MPAC Chair	092210m-07