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TRANSPORTATION POLICY ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE

MARCH 30, 2012

Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

MEMBERS PRESENT

Karen Buehrig
Elissa Gertler, Chair
Carol Gossett
Katherine Kelly
Nancy Kraushaar
Alan Lehto
Margaret Middleton
Dave Nordberg
Paul Smith
Charlie Stephens

AFFILIATION

Clackamas County
Metro
Community Representative
City of Gresham, Representing Cities of Multnomah Co.
City of Oregon City, Representing Cities of Clackamas Co.
TriMet
City of Beaverton, Representing Cities of Washington Co.
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
City of Portland
Community Representative

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Chris Beanes
Brent Curtis
David Eatwell
Heidi Guenin
John Hoefs
Scott King
Dean Lookingbill
Satvinder Sandhu
Karen Schilling
Rian Windsheimer
Sharon Zimmerman

AFFILIATION

Community Representative
Washington County
Community Representative
Community Representative
C-TRAN
Port of Portland
Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Committee
Federal Highway Administration
Multnomah County
Oregon Department of Transportation
Washington State Department of Transportation

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Andy Back
Phil Healy
Jane McFarland
Lainie Smith

AFFILIATION

Washington County
Port of Portland
Multnomah County
Oregon Department of Transportation

STAFF: Dick Benner, Kim Ellis, Daniel Kaempff, Nuin-Tara Key, Tom Kloster, Ted Leybold, John Mermin, Josh Naramore, Kelsey Newell, Dylan Rivera, Marc Week.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Elissa Gertler declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. John Mermin of Metro announced that, in April 2012, TPAC will be asked to make a recommendation to JPACT proposed amendments to the Regional Transportation Functional Plan (RTFP) and schedule. Metro staff will recommend amending the RTFP procedures for extending compliance deadlines and granting exceptions to specific requirements. Exemptions would be granted though by the Metro Chief Operating Officer.

Ms. Nancy Kraushaar discussed the successful Highway 213 bridge replacement. The replacement went smoothly and traffic diversion did not impact I-205. There was, however, impact to Highway 99. Drivers did not follow the predetermined detour but instead created their own detour.

Ms. Carol Gossett stated that on February 24 Mr. Scott King provided a tour of the Portland International Airport and Water port. Ms. Gossett stated she appreciated his time and talent.

Chair Elissa Gertler stated that community representative Ms. Carla Danley has stepped down from TPAC and there will be recruitment for another citizen representative.

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS TO TPAC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was none.

4. CONSIDERATION OF THE TPAC MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY, 17 2012

Ms. Kraushaar stated that on the February 17, 2012 minutes should be corrected to read, "...Highway-214 213..."

MOTION: Ms. Kraushaar moved, Mr. Alan Lehto seconded, to approve the Transportation Policy Alternatives Committee (TPAC) minutes for February 17, 2012 as amended.

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

5. ACTION ITEMS

5.1 Draft 2012-13 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Mr. Josh Naramore of Metro introduced Resolution No. 12-4335 which, if approved, would certify that the Portland metropolitan area is in compliance with the Federal Transportation Planning requirements and would adopt the fiscal year 2012-13 Unified Planning Work Program. JPACT, the Metro Council, and the Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council are required to adopt the UPWP annually. The UPWP is a report that fully describes the region's planned projects for the upcoming fiscal year and is the basis for grant and funding applications. Mr. Naramore noted changes in the document since it was presented to TPAC in January 2012 and asked for input from the committee.

The committee discussed the following items:

- Streetcar Technical Methods funding and updates to the Streetcar Concept plan affecting the UPWP.
- Restrictions on re-allocating funding from the Portland to Lake Oswego Transit Project.
- The committee noted that the Sullivan's Gulch plan may be added the UPWP.

MOTION: Ms. Andy Back moved, Mr. Paul Smith seconded, to recommend that JPACT approve Resolution No. 12-4335

Discussion:

Mr. Back addressed the difficulty in receiving the finished UPWP after the approval process. This time frame limits the decision-making ability of local jurisdictions to add input into discretionary spending. Mr. Back recommended that members be more involved in the process before the final UPWP is developed. Metro staff will be considering a 2 year process which would allow for more time for local government involvement.

The committee discussed the City of Damascus' recent approval of a ballot measure that requires a public vote on all land use spending. The committee expressed concerns that the city would not be able to complete a TSP and that previously allocated Federal funding could go unused.

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

6. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Climate Smart Communities Scenarios Phase 2 Work Plan

Ms. Kim Ellis of Metro presented the Phase 2 work plan and engagement approach for the Climate Smart Communities scenarios project. The Climate Smart Communities (CSC) scenarios project is a multi-year, collaborative effort between Metro, local governments and other regional partners. Since January 2012, Metro staff and Councilors have begun briefing local elected officials and other stakeholders on the project and Phase 1 findings. Ms. Ellis overviewed the challenges brought forth through local engagement including: balancing local/regional planning, the complexity of the project, building consensus, and the current economic climate. The project is composed in two tracks, *Creating Building Blocks for Scenarios* which is policy focused and *Creating Score Card for Scenarios* which is technically focused. Staff will bring a modified draft to MPAC and JPACT for discussion and endorsement on April 11th and 12th respectively.

The committee discussed the following items:

- Of the 144 possible scenarios, 93 have been evaluated to meet carbon reduction targets. The committee discussed what intermediate steps are needed to identify three to four scenarios from those 93.
- The timeline of implementation, balancing with short term issues like daily operation, and achieving all needs with limited resources.
- Evaluation framework and linking it with the Community Investment Initiative.
- The committee discussed support CSC has seen in local Communities
- Opportunities the statewide greenhouse gas mandate can create to deal with long term energy challenges.
- How the Rulemaking Advisory Committee will allow for flexibility in CSC process and leave room for evolution of the project. The committee requested metro staff keep them informed on the RAC process.
- How freight and fleet traffic factor into the CSC.

7. ADJOURN

Chair Gertler adjourned the meeting at 11:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Marcus Week
Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR MARCH 30, 2012

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

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
6.1	PPT	3/12	Climate Smart Community Scenarios Phase 2: Define Choices	033012t-01
6.1	Handout	3/12	Climate Smart Communities Scenarios – Phase 2 Policy Track	033012t -02
6.1	Handout	3/12	Climate Smart Communities Scenarios – Phase 2 Technical Track 2	033012t -03
6.1	Handout	3/12	Climate Smart Communities Scenarios Timeline	033012t-04