

MEETING REPORT

DATE OF MEETING: November 10, 1982

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

PERSONS ATTENDING: Members: Charlie Williamson, Ed Hardt (alternate), Mildred Schwab, Bob Oleson (alternate), Al Myers, John Frewing, Ed Ferguson, Corky Kirkpatrick, and Dennis Buchanan

Guests: Steve Dotterer and Jerry Markesino, City of Portland; Ted Spence, ODOT; Keith Ahola, WSDOT; Lee Hames, Tri-Met; Gil Mallery, Regional Planning Council of Clark County; Winston Kurth, Clackamas County; Elton Chang, FHWA (Salem); Marty Nizlek, Washington County; Bebe Rucker, Multnomah County; and Sarah Salazar, Port of Portland

Staff: Andrew Cotugno, Bill Pettis, Karen Thackston, Rick Gustafson, Keith Lawton, and Lois Kaplan, Secretary

MEDIA: None

SUMMARY:

Inasmuch as a quorum was lacking, Chairman Williamson called the meeting to order and advanced to non-action matters.

Andy Cotugno reported that the Pro Bike 82 Conference recognized Portland as having one of the most comprehensive bicycling programs in the nation. A summary of the conference was included in the packet.

Portland is also the first city in the country to have its air quality SIP approved by EPA.

1. RECOMMENDED SCOPE OF WORK - LRT STUDIES

Andy Cotugno reviewed the Scope of Work and phasing of the proposed LRT analysis, dividing the work into two stages: the LRT Systems Analysis (including Eastside, Westside and Central area studies) and LRT Corridor studies. The study will determine which parts of the region are appropriate for light-rail and whether the capital costs are justified. Andy stressed the need for gathering operating and capital costs while determining ridership potential in the corridor analysis. He then reviewed the various tasks involved in the two phases of the LRT study. He added that \$100,000 is budgeted for this year for the Long-Range Transitway study. Andy informed the committee of his intent to proceed with the analysis for the Milwaukie and

Bi-State Corridors with the likelihood that action will be needed to provide funding for consultants.

ABSENCE OF QUORUM

The following considerations were taken up by the Committee for recommendation to the Council without benefit of a quorum. However, Commissioner Buchanan, arriving prior to the close of the meeting and fulfilling the need of a quorum, cast his vote in favor of the two action agenda items.

2. AMENDING THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) TO INCLUDE A NEW PROJECT ON NW EVERETT STREET -- 1ST AVENUE TO FRONT AVENUE

The purpose of this project is to dovetail construction on the ramps at the west end of the Steel Bridge to that of the Banfield LRT. This construction ties in with the City grid system. Since the project was requested very recently by the City of Portland, authorization for PE only is being requested.

Action Taken: It was moved and seconded to recommend approval to amend the TIP to include a new project on NW Everett Street -- 1st Avenue to Front Avenue. Motion CARRIED unanimously.

3. AMENDING THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE (TPAC) BYLAWS

Andy reviewed the proposed changes to the bylaws, including the deletion of reference to the now defunct Transportation Committee (with substitution of the Council Regional Development Committee) and the increase of citizen members from five to six.

Action Taken: It was moved and seconded to recommend approval to amend the TPAC bylaws as presented. Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Andy informed the Committee that he was going to bring another TPAC bylaw change next month to change the Clark County membership and would hold this amendment to send to Council as a package.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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