

# Metro Policy Advisory Committee **January 23, 2013**

Metro Regional Center, Council Chambers

MEMBERS PRESENT AFFILIATION

Annette Mattson David Douglas School Board, Governing Body of School Districts

Bob Grover Washington County Citizen

Bob Stacey Metro Council Craig Dirksen Metro Council

Doug Neeley City of Oregon City, Clackamas Co. 2<sup>nd</sup> Largest City Iody Carson, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair City of West Linn, Clackamas Co. Other Cities

Kent Studebaker City of Lake Oswego Loretta Smith, *Chair* Multnomah County Martha Schrader Clackamas County

Peter Truax, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair City of Forrest Grove, Washington Co. Other Cities

Sam Chase Metro Council
Tom Imeson Port of Portland

William Wild Oak Lodge Sanitary District, Clackamas Co. Special Districts

MEMBERS EXCUSED AFFILIATION

Amanda Fritz
City of Portland
Andy Duyck
Washington County

Dennis Doyle City of Beaverton, Washington Co. 2<sup>nd</sup> Largest City Jerry Willey City of Hillsboro, Washington Co. Largest City

Marilyn McWilliams Tualatin Valley Water District, Washington Co. Special Districts

Nick Fish City of Portland

Norm Thomas City of Troutdale, Multnomah Co. Other Cities

Steve Clark TriMet Board of Directors

Steve Stuart Clark County

ALTERNATES PRESENT Chad Eiken AFFILIATION City of Vancouver

Ed Gronke Citizen, Representing Clackamas Co. Citizen

Jennifer Donnelly Oregon Dept. of Land Conservation & Development

Josh Fuhrer City of Gresham

Paul Manson Citizen, Representing Multnomah Co. Citizen

**STAFF**: Joe Montanez, Alison Kean Campbell, Kelsey Newell, Robin McArthur, John Williams, Andy Cotugno, Maria Ellis, Chris Deffebach, Ken Ray, Councilor Carlotta Collette

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Loretta Smith called the meeting to order at 5:14 p.m. and declared a quorum at 5:20 p.m.

# 2. SELF INTODUCTIONS & COMMUNICATIONS

All attendees introduced themselves.

# 3. CITEZEN COMMUNICATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Members of SEIU Local 49 and LIUNA were in attendance to address living wage jobs, improved working conditions, basic workers' rights protection, and collective bargaining.

Metro Councilor Sam Chase stated that providing living wage jobs in a responsible manner is a fundamental issue.

#### 4. COUNCIL UPDATE

Councilor Stacey provided an update on the following items:

- New Metro Council districts took effect January 2013. Only two cities changed districts –
  Happy Valley, now in District 2 and Maywood Park, now in District 5. Both cities were
  previously in District 1. There were also minor changes in Cedar Mill, Aloha, Stafford, and
  East Portland. (Map included as part of meeting record.)
- The next round of Community Planning and Development Grants is underway and Metro is anticipated to award up to \$3.7 million in this grant cycle. Cities and counties are eligible to apply, either as sole applicants or in partnership with other government entities, non-profit organization or businesses. Funds will support planning and development in existing communities and planning in urban reserves and new areas added to the urban growth boundary. For more information on Community Planning and Development Grants, visit <a href="https://www.oregonmetro.gov/grants">www.oregonmetro.gov/grants</a>.
- Applications for this year's cycle of Regional Travel Options grants are due to Metro by Friday, February 22, 2013. The RTO program promotes better use of the region's biking, walking, and public transit infrastructure. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.oregonmetro.gov/rtogrants">www.oregonmetro.gov/rtogrants</a>.
- In December 2012, the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) approved the policy direction for allocation of the 2016 18 of the Regional Flexible Funds. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.oregonmetro.gov/regionalflexiblefund">www.oregonmetro.gov/regionalflexiblefund</a>.
- There have been updates to the Title 4 Industrial Lands Map. The changes stem from three
  ordinances adopted by the Metro Council in 2012, at the request of various local
  governments in the region. For more information and materials, visit
  <a href="https://www.oregonmetro.gov/mpac">www.oregonmetro.gov/mpac</a>.

# 5. CONSENT AGENDA

- Consideration of the Dec. 12, 2012 Minutes
- MTAC Member Nominations

<u>MOTION:</u> Councilor Jody Carson moved, Ms. Annette Mattson seconded, to approve the consent agenda.

ACTION: With all in favor and one abstained (Fuhrer), the motion passed.

# 6. <u>INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS</u>

# 6.1 **2013 MPAC WORK PROGRAM**

Chair Smith, with assistance from Ms. Robin McArthur, overviewed the draft 2013 MPAC work program and solicited recommendations from members on what additional topics MPAC would like to consider in 2013. Additionally, Ms. McArthur highlighted areas that MPAC will be required to review in 2013 including the Regional Active Transportation Plan and Climate Smart Communities work.

Members recommended the following topic areas for MPAC consideration:

- Affordable Housing as it relates to Urban Growth Boundary;
- Brownfields;
- Climate Smart Communities;
- Growth Management Plans;
- Highway Transportation Services;
- Holistically addressing Environmental Justice issues;
- Improving the economic impact opportunities on historically problematic developable lands;
- Revisiting past equity indicators for the region; and
- Working collectively on shared goals between Metro, League of Oregon Cities, and Association of Oregon Counties.

# 6.2 COMMUNITY INVESTMENT INITIATIVE, REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE ENTERPRISE

Mr. Tom Imeson with the Community Investment Initiative (CII) Leadership Council, and Ms. Lorelei Juntunen of ECONorthwest, presented on the CII Regional Infrastructure Enterprise (RIE). The goal of the RIE is to facilitate investment in infrastructure that catalyzes job creation, economic development and private investment. The purpose of the presentation was to provide MPAC with a shared understanding of the current status of the CII and to provide an opportunity to provide feedback regarding the potential functions for the RIE. Their presentation overviewed the committee composition, why it is important the RIE is developed, and the essential questions that will need to be addressed prior to the RIE moving forward – for example specifics on the RIE governance structure, functions and focus.

In order to begin to address these key questions, the RIE scheduled a series of focus groups as well as distributed a survey to local jurisdictions. Ms. Juntunen stated that the RIE, with assistance from DHM Research, will be convening focus groups in December 2012. The focus group, comprised of local mayors, reported several challenges to development of land in their municipalities including: land aggregation, brownfield remediation, legal challenges to land use decision, regulatory

challenges as it relates to urban renewal, and urbanization. Ms. Juntunen also presented results of a Catalytic Infrastructure Survey distributed to 25 cities, 3 counties, 4 water and sewer districts, the Port of Portland, and TriMet. The survey was a limited tool to define the functions of the RIE, not project selection. Survey findings showed that there are roughly equal numbers of industrial projects to community development projects that need assistance, that the range of sophistication varies from basic to complex, and that the biggest needs facing communities are funding and technical assistance.

The overall implications from the survey and the focus group focused on the following function options: Regional prioritization, Pre-development and site readiness, and Finance packaging and funding. (PowerPoint presentation included as part of the meeting record.)

#### MPAC discussion included:

- Members expressed concerns that some past projects were not as "shovel-ready" as
  promised and that existing projects should take priority. Staff anticipated that refined
  project proposal guidelines would be available by summer 2013. Additionally, staff noted
  that subgroups will be convened spring 2013 to address project selection and governance
  issues.
- Members inquired how the RIE differs from the Oregon Business Plan (OBP). Staff clarified
  that the OBP focuses on a wide number of initiatives that have a broad approach, while the
  RIE focuses on a smaller set of initiatives that specifically address basic infrastructure
  development.
- Members recommended the RIE consider addressing challenges in heavily urbanized, unincorporated areas. Staff believed that the RIE could very well be applied to certain outlying areas.
- Members recognized the CII as a working model of non-governmental response to specific community issues.

# 7. MPAC MEMBER COMMUNICATION

Oregon City Mayor Doug Neeley stated that he has appreciated working on issues with the League of Oregon Cities such as Open Spaces, the Newell Acquisition, and the Canemah Bluffs.

#### 8. ADJOURN

Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Montanez Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR JANUARY 23, 2013
The following have been included as part of the official public record:

<u>Item</u>	Doc. Type	Doc. Date	Doc. Description	Doc. Number
4.0	Мар	1/15/13	New Title 4 Map	12313m-01
5.0	Handout	1/16/13	Revised MTAC Nominations	12313m-02
6.1	Handout	1/15/13	MPAC Work Program	12313m-03
6.1	Handout	6/30/11	MPAC Bylaws	12313m-04
6.2	Handout	1/23/13	CII Leadership Council	12313m-05
6.2	PowerPoint	1/23/13	CII, RIE	12313m-06