



Metro Policy Advisory Committee

April 24, 2013

Metro Council Chamber

MEMBERS PRESENT

Annette Mattson
Bill Turlay
Bob Stacey
Craig Dirksen
Denny Doyle
Doug Neeley
Jerry Willey
Josh Fuhrer
Kent Studebaker
Loretta Smith, *Chair*
Maxine Fitzpatrick
Peter Truax, *2nd Vice Chair*
Sam Chase
Tim Clark
Tom Imeson
Wilda Parks
William Wild

AFFILIATION

David Douglas School Board, Governing Body of School Districts
City of Vancouver
Metro Council
Metro Council
City of Beaverton, Washington Co. 2nd Largest City
City of Oregon City, Clackamas Co. 2nd Largest City
City of Hillsboro, Washington Co. Largest City
City of Gresham, Multnomah Co. 2nd Largest City
City of Lake Oswego, Clackamas Co. Largest City
Multnomah County
Citizen, Representing Multnomah Co. Citizen
City of Forest Grove, Washington Co. Other Cities
Metro Council
City of Wood Village, Multnomah Co. Other Cities
Port of Portland
Citizen, Representing Clackamas Co. Citizen
Oak Lodge Sanitary District, Clackamas Co. Special Districts

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Amanda Fritz
Andy Duyck
Bob Grover
Charlie Hales
Charlynn Newton
Craig Prosser
Jody Carson, *1st Vice Chair*
Marilyn McWilliams
Martha Schrader
Norm Thomas
Steve Clark
Steve Stuart

AFFILIATION

City of Portland
Washington County
Citizen, Washington Co. Citizen
City of Portland
City of North Plains, City in Washington Co. Outside the UGB
TriMet
City of West Linn, Clackamas Co. Other Cities
Tualatin Valley Water District, Washington Co. Special Districts
Clackamas County
City of Troutdale, Multnomah Co. Other Cities
TriMet Board of Directors
Clark County

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Jennifer Donnelly
Lise Glancy
Marc San Soucie

AFFILIATION

Oregon Dept. of Land Conservation and Development
Port of Portland
City of Beaverton, Washington Co. 2nd Largest City

STAFF: Maria Ellis, Tom Kloster, Robin McArthur, Andy Cotugno, Kelsey Newell, Nick Christiansen, Ramona Perrault, Grace Cho, Roger Alfred, Beth Cohen, Ina Zucker, John Williams, Councilor Carlotta Collette, Councilor Shirley Craddick

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Loretta Smith called the meeting to order and declared a quorum at 5:09p.m.

2. SELF INTRODUCTIONS & COMMUNICATIONS

All attendees introduced themselves.

3. CITEZEN COMMUNICATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Pete Truax called for a moment of silence in memory of all those impacted by the events at the Boston Marathon.

4. COUNCIL UPDATE

Councilor Bob Stacey provided an update on the following items:

- Metro is seeking members for the Equity Strategy and Advisory Committee. The committee members will be selected through an application process and appointed by Metro's Chief Operating Officer, Martha Bennett. The committee is an 18 month commitment and applications are due May 9, 2013 at 5pm. For more information, visit www.oregonmetro.gov/equity.
- Metro's Chief Operating Officer, Martha Bennett, will present the proposed 2013-14 Metro Budget to the Metro Council. The total budget for the fiscal year is \$481.7 million and focuses on implementing the Parks and Natural Areas Levy, the 2040 vision, addressing the future of Metro's Visitor Venues, and intends to further develop the Solid Waste Road Map. There will also be a public hearing on May 2 and when the Council approves a budget, it will go to the Tax Supervision and Conservation Commission on June 6, 2013. Final Metro Council action is expected on June 20, 2013.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- **Consideration of the April 10, 2013 minutes**

MOTION: Mayor Denny Doyle moved, Mayor Pete Truax seconded, to approve the consent agenda.

ACTION: With all in favor, the motion passed.

6. THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT INITIATIVE REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE ENTERPRISE

Mr. Andy Cotugno introduced Mr. Tom Imeson who provided feedback on the draft Regional Infrastructure Enterprise concept that would spur investment in our communities. Mr. Imeson stated that his goal was to provide information to MPAC so they can advise the Metro Council on how to proceed regarding the CII's Regional Infrastructure Enterprise (RIE) business plan.

Mr. Imeson stated that the last time he presented at MPAC, he shared the results of a regional catalytic infrastructure survey. These results have helped the CII Leadership Council members start shaping a recommendation for a RIE. The proposed draft concept addresses project evaluation, project type, delivery of services, governance of the RIE board, and how these relate to the 3 phase development process. CII is developing strategies to help access additional resources for infrastructure investments that support local and regional development plans. The CII will release a preliminary Regional Infrastructure Enterprise Business Plan this July.

That plan will recommend actions for implementation by Metro and other regional partners. They will have to consider whether and how to proceed. Mr. Imeson stated that he will again be present for discussion on these issues on May 8th. For more information, visit communityinvestmentinitiative.org.

Member discussion included:

- Members stated that they are curious to hear about the project selection process.
- Members asked who will have governance of the RIE board. Mr. Imeson stated that although elected officials will be on the board, no one will be elected to the board.
- Members asked about the promised deliverable and who they will be delivered to. Mr. Imeson stated that they are going to be delivered to the Port of Portland and Metro, but more importantly, delivered to the region.
- Mayor Jerry Willey stated that he is concerned with this process, specifically; the need for regional taxation and the significant influence Metro will have on the process. Mayor Willey stated that he does not see any city or county representation. Because the RIE will have a great amount of influence and money, I am concerned with how this will play out in terms of management.

7. 2035 RTP AMENDMENTS – RECOMMENDATION TO THE METRO COUNCIL REQUESTED

Mr. Tom Kloster gave a brief overview of the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) amendments, quickly explaining each draft ordinance and resolution. Mr. Kloster also stated that MPAC has the opportunity to support resolutions that change the RTP's financially constrained list of projects through a recommendation to the Metro Council.

Member discussion included:

- Members expressed concern about the U.S. 26 project and the I-84 project. Mr. Kloster stated that these two projects are proposed by the Oregon Department of Transportation to address safety and congestion concerns in their respective areas.
- Members referenced the public comment report, asking about a letter stating that Metro was out of compliance with Clean Air Act requirements, and specifically, what they failed to comply with? Mr. Kloster stated that this was an air quality issue that is being addressed on a separate track and does not affect the proposed RTP amendments. Ms. Robin McArthur emphasized that Metro is not yet out of compliance, but is taking steps to address air quality policy issues raised in the comment letter.

MOTION: Mayor Pete Truax moved, Mayor Denny Doyle seconded, to recommend adoption of the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan amendments to the Metro Council.

ACTION: With all in favor, the motion passed.

8. ATLANTA BEST PRACTICES TRIP UPDATE

Councilor Bob Stacey provided an update on the Atlanta Best Practices Trip. Councilor Stacey stated that Atlanta and Portland share a lot of similarities, but at the same time are extremely different. He stated that one of the biggest projects impacting their region is the Atlanta Beltline Project. This project addresses the needs for improved transportation, parks, environmental awareness, affordable housing, and economic development and job creation. He also noted that this project is competing for the same funds that Metro's Intertwine and SW Corridor projects are seeking.

Member discussion included:

- Members asked how Atlanta was dealing with equity issues. Councilor Stacey stated that he does not really know. However, he noted that the political climate in the south, in terms of social equity, is quite different than the Pacific Northwest.
- Ms. Robin McArthur stated that one of the speakers during the conference addressed the displacement issues facing the city of Atlanta. She stated that Atlanta is very aware of future issues in terms of social equity.
- Mr. Andy Cotugno stated that the Beltline Partnership, a non-profit organization in Atlanta, has been extremely proactive in community involvement and helping disadvantaged youth.
- Mayor Jerry Willey noted that every city has its issues. He stated that Atlanta is a tourism driven city, which unfortunately supports a large amount of low wage employment. He stated that Portland should be in a position to host a best practices conference.

9. ECO-EFFICIENT EMPLOYMENT PILOT PROJECTS

Ms. Miranda Bateschell, Mr. Ken Anderson from the Port of Portland and Ms. Jeannine Rustad from the City of Hillsboro presented on the Eco-efficient Employment Pilot Projects.

Ms. Bateschell stated that the goal of the Eco-efficient Employment projects is to help businesses realize their economic and ecological benefits by utilizing operations that produce more with less – less water, less energy, less capital, less land, and over all, less waste. The third volume of projects is focused on tools to support employment areas. There was a group of local stake holders engaged in this process which focused on the content of projects. The framework and processes of these projects are community driven, engagement based, include facilitated decision making, as well as technical assistance. The two pilot projects currently underway are the Old Town Sustainable Businesses in Hillsboro and the Gresham Vista Business Park.

Ms. Jeannine Rustad provided an update on the Old Town Sustainable Business project in the City of Hillsboro. The City established an Urban Renewal District in the downtown in 2010. As a follow on, the City is currently engaged in developing an Old Town Reinvestment Strategy which will prioritize capital improvements. The area is also characterized by a cluster of “home grown” business operations that are producing goods and services for the local economy and a growing national as well as international market.

Ms. Rustad stated that the goal of this project is to provide a range of traded sector services and goods through local businesses; to employ a business network that collaborates to achieve greater operational efficient and development advantages; and to leverage its unique characteristics and sense of place. Next steps of this project include coordination with the Chamber of Commerce to create a project consortium and to develop a city-wide small business directory. The City is committed to convening and reporting progress throughout the year as well as taking action on immediate needs in the second quarter of this year.

Mr. Ken Anderson provided an update on the Gresham Vista Business Park. The Port of Portland and the City of Gresham have a partnership agreement (IGA) that details joint goals in marketing the site to create an employment center that attracts traded sector investment and local jobs. Since the Port’s acquisition of the site, consulting work has been completed to educate the Port Development Team and key staff from the City of Gresham on the potential of an Eco Park/ Eco-Industrial concept and potential deployment of green storm water infrastructure. The pilot program builds on this completed work to identify specific tools that will help move implementation forward and bring details to the existing master plan. The park will implement best

practices such as green infrastructure, water conservation and reuse, waste management, as well as create a district energy strategy.

For more information on the Eco-efficient Pilot Project, visit oregonmetro.gov.

Member discussion included:

- Members asked if Metro will be a technical assistance partner for these projects. Ms. Bateschell stated that Metro has already been serving in this capacity and will not only continue to do so, but there is even the possibility of Metro expanding its role throughout this process.
- Councilor Josh Fuhrer expressed his gratitude for the work that the Port of Portland has been doing in Gresham. Councilor Fuhrer stated that Metro partnership has been key in accomplishing the overarching goals of the project. He also thanked Councilor Shirley Craddick for her involvement in the project as well.

10. MPAC MEMBER COMMUNICATION

Mayor Doug Neeley informed members that Oregon City has been recognized as a great city for trees on Arbor Day 2013.

11. ADJOURN

Chair Loretta Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Joe Montanez
Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR APRIL 24, 2013

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

<u>Item</u>	<u>Doc. Type</u>	<u>Doc. Date</u>	<u>Doc. Description</u>	<u>Doc. Number</u>
6	Handout	6/2012	CII Strategic Plan Executive Summary	42413m-01
6	PowerPoint	N/A	CII RIE	42413m-02
7	Handout	4/23/13	Errata Sheet for RTP Amendments	42413m-03
7	PowerPoint	N/A	RTP Amendments	42413m-04

8	PowerPoint	N/A	Atlanta Beltline	42413m-05
9	PowerPoint	N/A	Eco-Efficient Employment Pilot Project	42413m-06
N/A	Handout	Spring 2013	Green Scene 2013	42413m-07