



METRO POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MPAC)

Meeting Minutes

June 08, 2016

Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sam Chase
Tim Clark, *Chair*
Carlotta Collette
Betty Dominguez
Jennifer Donnelly
Mark Gamba, *1st Vice Chair*
Jeff Gudman
John Hayes
Jerry Hinton
Gordon Hovies
Dick Jones
Loretta Smith
Tootie Smith
Bob Stacey
Ty Stober
Peter Truax

AFFILIATION

Metro Council
City of Wood Village, Other Cities in Multnomah Co.
Metro Council
Citizen of Clackamas County
Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development
City of Milwaukie, Other Cities in Clackamas Co.
City of Lake Oswego, Largest City in Clackamas Co.
Forest Grove School District, Governing Body of a School District
City of Gresham, 2nd Largest City in Multnomah Co.
Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue, Special Districts in Washington Co.
Oak Lodge Water District, Special Districts in Clackamas Co.
Multnomah County
Clackamas County
Metro Council
City of Vancouver
City of Forest Grove, Other Cities in Washington Co.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Denny Doyle

AFFILIATION

City of Beaverton, 2nd Largest City in Washington Co.

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Emerald Bogue
Craig Prosser
Steve Callaway

AFFILIATION

Port of Portland
TriMet
City of Hillsboro, Largest City in Washington Co.

OTHERS PRESENT: John Blanton, Kimberlee DeSantis, Martha Fritze, Eric Hesse

STAFF: Alexandra Eldridge, Scotty Ellis, Clifford Higgins, Shaina Hobbs, Juan Carlos Ocaña-Chú, Ramona Perrault, Andy Shaw, Rebecca Uherbelau, Patty Unfred

1. CALL TO ORDER, SELF INTRODUCTIONS, CHAIR COMMUNICATIONS

MPAC Chair Tim Clark called the meeting to order at 5:07p.m. All attendees introduced themselves.

Commissioner Tootie Smith gave an extended self introduction. She informed MPAC members of her experience in the Oregon House of Representatives and her work as a grassroots advocate for the timber industry.

Chair Clark informed MPAC that the July 13th MPAC meeting would take place at the City of Vancouver and added that more information would be determined soon. Councilor Ty Stober explained that the city's economic development staff was in the process of organizing an educational tour for MPAC.

Chair Clark informed MPAC that the July 27th meeting would potentially be cancelled and encouraged members to submit ideas for the work program.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

3. COUNCIL UPDATE

- Councilor Bob Stacey informed MPAC that the Southwest Corridor Steering Committee would meet on June 13th in Beaverton to discuss non-high capacity transit projects that should be run through the federal environmental review process. He added that the committee will also discuss potential refinements to the light rail alignment in the Tigard Triangle and the project purpose and need.
- Councilor Stacey shared that 35 people attended a pre-application meeting for the Equitable Housing Planning and Development Grants program on May 13, and 7 jurisdictions had submitted letters of intent to apply. He noted the full application deadline of August 12th and added that the awards would be announced in the winter.
- Councilor Stacey noted a Lunch and Learn event featuring local developer Eli Spevak on July 22. He added MPAC and MTAC members would soon receive an invitation.
- Councilor Sam Chase stated that the Urban Growth Readiness Task Force met on May 13. He noted that the Chief Operating Officer's and Council's direction was to identify possible changes in the process for managing the urban growth boundary in order to be more flexible, while furthering the goal of the region's Climate Strategy. He added that the task force would meet later in June to finalize its problem statement and guiding principles.

4. MPAC MEMBER COMMUNICATION

- Mr. Craig Prosser informed the committee that Shelley Martin was no longer the MPAC representative for TriMet.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- **Consideration of April 27, 2016 MPAC Minutes**
- **Consideration of May 25, 2016 MPAC Minutes**

MOTION: Mayor Pete Truax moved, and Ms. Betty Dominguez seconded, to adopt the consent agenda.

ACTION: With all in favor, the motion passed.

6. ACTION ITEMS

6.1 Metro's Draft Strategic Plan to Advance Racial Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

Key elements of the presentation included:

- Ms. Unfred noted that members of the Equity Strategy Advisory Committee (ESAC) were present to share their experiences of working on the Strategic Plan to Advance Racial Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (SPAREDI).
- ESAC member Mr. Carl Talton stated that competing in the global economy requires the ability to attract, grow, and retain talent, which makes the SPAREDI process important to the region. He shared that the City of Pittsburgh has done a lot of remarkable work by enacting a plan to attract more people of color to Pittsburgh and diversify its workforce, which has contributed to economic growth in the city.
- Mr. Juan Carlos Ocaña Chíu explained that the plan included five major long term strategic goals:
 - Metro convenes and supports regional partners to advance racial equity.
 - Metro meaningfully engages communities of color.
 - Metro hires, trains and promotes a racially diverse.
 - Metro creates safe and welcoming services, programs and destinations.
 - Metro's resource allocation advances racial equity.
- Mr. Ocaña Chíu added that the plan includes 77 actions to achieve the long term goals, and highlighted that the majority of the 77 actions were identified by members of the community.
- Commissioner Tootie Smith noted that Clackamas County has a diversity and equity program that does not focus mainly on racial equity. She added that she has been promoting the inclusion of younger people in employment plans because 40% of Clackamas County employees are due to retire soon.
- Ms. Betty Dominguez noted that broad numbers may show racial diversity in an organization's workplace, but it is often the case employees of color are often underrepresented in higher salaried positions.
- Commissioner Loretta Smith shared that there are more baby boomers than any other other generation in Multnomah County and over 50% of county employees will be eligible for retirement within the next five years. Commissioner Smith noted that young communities of color can fill that employment gap and added that it's important to widen the net when hiring for managerial positions.

MOTION: Mayor Mark Gamba moved, and Mayor Pete Truax seconded, to authorize Chair Clark to sign a letter of support of the Strategic Plan to Advance Racial Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

ACTION: The motion passed.

7. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.1 2018 Regional Transportation Plan: Regional Leadership Forum #1

Key elements of the update included:

- Councilor Bob Stacey noted that the 2018 RTP update provided the opportunity to work together to determine the region's future transportation priorities.
- Ms. Kim Ellis noted that the purpose of the Regional Leadership Forum was to envision the future of the transportation system. She stated that one of the major ideas discussed at the forum was that the transportation system was a shared system, making everyone responsible for supporting the system. She added that this notion underlines a need to represent all perspectives.
- Many people shared the notion that we need to have a bold vision for the system despite limited funding. She shared that one of the key quotes from the forum was, "Grow the Pie."
- Ms. Ellis noted that the next forum would take place on September 23rd.

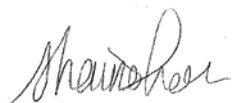
Member discussion included:

- Mayor Mark Gamba expressed that the concepts his table discussed were constrained due to the difficulty of envisioning a radically different future.
- Mayor Truax stated that he shared some of Mayor Gamba's concerns about the future and noted that The Honorable R.T. Rybak's speech was visionary. Ms. Ellis added that the speech was available online.
- Mr. John Hayes expressed the importance of fixing the region's congestion problems as it would attract more businesses to the region, which would help provide for funds for the region's schools.
- Councilor Jeff Gudman stated that the region should consider the widely assumed notion that autonomous vehicles will triple road capacity when planning for the future transportation system.

ADJOURN

MPAC Chair Tim Clark adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Shaina Hobbs
Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 8, 2016

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
N/A	Handout	June 2016	June Metro Hotsheet	060816m-01
4.	Flyer	N/A	Recycled Arts Festival Flyer	060816m-02
1.	Handout	N/A	MPAC Roster	060816m-03
6.1	Handout	06/08/16	Pam Treece Statement	060816m-04
6.2	Letter	April 2016	Draft DEI Strategic Plan Support Letter	060816m-05