

JOINT POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
FINANCE COMMITTEE

February 24, 2005

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Rod Park declared a quorum of JPACT and welcomed the members present which included:

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| Chair Rod Park | Metro Council |
| Chair of JPACT, Rex Burkholder | Metro Council |
| Councilor Brian Newman | Metro Council |
| Commission Bill Kennemer | Clackamas County |
| Commissioner Roy Rogers | Washington County |
| Commissioner Maria Rojo de Steffey | Multnomah County |
| Bill Wyatt | Port of Portland |
| Fred Hansen | TriMet |
| Robin McArthur | Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) |
| Mayor Rob Drake | City of Beaverton, Washington Counties |

GUESTS

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| Andy Cotugno | Metro – Planning Department |
| Olivia Clark | TriMet |
| Dennis Mulvihill | Washington County |
| Randy Tucker | Metro – Public Affairs |
| Ed Abrahamson | Multnomah County |
| John Rist | Clackamas County |
| Tom Miller | City of Portland |
| John Gillam | City of Portland |
| John Wiebke | City of Hillsboro |
| Kate Marx | Metro – Public Affairs |

II. ROLE OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilor Rex Burkholder presented a brief PowerPoint presentation demonstrating the funding challenges that the State of Oregon faces regarding transportation needs.

III. LONG TERM ISSUES/OVERVIEW

Kate Marx began the discussion regarding Current Factors, Current Success Factors, and Desired Outcomes (Summary of the committee discussion as displayed on whiteboard).

Desired Outcomes:

- Spend more time on tough issues.
- Define regional vs. local responsibilities
- Define how to collectively fund regional responsibilities
- \$7.2 billion package
- Clearly define priorities
- Clearly define strategic plan
- Ensure that all parties clearly understand the value of investments, ROI
- Defined Regional system – creates ownership – system approach
- Adopt process to talk through the politics and strategic elements of money and project sequence
- Transportation transit system seen as value asset by broad community

Critical success factors:

- Define/create agreement outlining the roles and responsibilities of the committee.
- Define sources of money and projects that the group can support
- Appropriately address land issues.
- Get influencers to the table
- Discriminate between fantasies and goals in order to get organized for session.
- Clearly define priorities.
- Get business passionate about transportation projects.
- Passion investment from the community
- Initiate finance committee discussion with entire JPACT table.

Current conditions:

- Improve methods for building consensus
- The right people aren't at the table of committee to build buy-in.
- Regional inequities are a barrier to consensus, jurisdictions in all steps of development.
- Not enough discipline in prioritizing JPACT projects
- Too long in getting this done – JPACT
- Not staying on course – JPACT
- JPACT members passionate about their own projects, the system needs to be defined.
- Need regionally defined and prioritized system for roads as there is for transit. – Discipline is needed.
- How are the equities between regions defined?
- Define criteria that make a project regional – land use issues using 2040 in addition to long-term freight mobility.
- Statewide equity – Needed Resources.

The committee also discussed the need for a filtering process in order to determine the projects that should be regional and subsequently determine the amount of funding needed to construct those projects.

IV. IMMEDIATE ISSUES

Dennis Mulvihill presented materials (included as part of this meeting record) and the committee discussed immediate issues.

V. COMMITTEE LOGISTICS: TIME/DAY

The committee decided to continue to try to meet on the last Thursday of each month.

VI. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Rod Park adjourned the meeting at 9:00am.