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Council work session agenda

Tuesday, May 12, 2020

2:00 PM

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2:00 Call to Order and Roll Call

Work Session Topics:

- 2:05 Regional Investment Strategy: Transportation Investment [20-5415](https://www.oregonmetro.gov/20-5415)
Measure Community Partnership Reports
- Presenter(s): Andy Shaw, Metro
Community Partner Representatives
- Attachments: [Work Session Worksheet](#)

3:20 Budget Update

3:25 Chief Operating Officer Communication

3:30 Councilor Communication

3:35 Adjourn

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Regional Investment Strategy: Transportation Investment

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Work Session Topics

Metro Council Work Session
Tuesday, May 12, 2020

REGIONAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY: TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT MEASURE
COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORTS

Date: 4/30/2020

Department: GAPD

Work session date: May 12, 2020

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Partner representatives
TBD Length: 75 min.

ISSUE STATEMENT

The Metro Council has directed staff to continue work with community and partners on a potential 2020 transportation investment measure to make getting around the Portland region easier, safer and more affordable, while creating tens of thousands of jobs and advancing the region's racial equity and climate goals.

Engagement, particularly with communities of color and other historically marginalized communities, has been a cornerstone of this effort and the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan that precedes it.

In late 2019, after a competitive application and review process, Metro selected four community-based organizations to receive funding to conduct engagement with communities of color throughout the Portland region. These partnerships were explicitly meant to broaden partners' capacity to engage communities of color in new areas of the region and/or with community members they had not previously reached. The engagement was focused on the potential Get Moving 2020 measure's regionwide programs and oversight and accountability.

Similar partnership programs informed the development of the 2018 affordable housing bond and 2019 parks and nature bond, though each involved smaller grants to a greater number of organizations. Learning from those programs, this program provided an average of \$50,000 to four organizations for deeper capacity building and engagement.

At this work session, representatives of two of these Community Partners – APANO and Unite Oregon – will report to Council on their activities and outcomes of their participation in the partnership program. The other two partners – the Portland African American Leadership Forum and Verde – are tentatively scheduled to present their reports on May 26. Metro staff have also prepared an engagement report following intensive in-person and online engagement on programs in February and March. Together, these reports will help inform Council's ongoing discussion of regionwide programs, oversight and other elements of the potential Get Moving 2020 measure.

ACTION REQUESTED

No action at this time. Council will continue discussion of priorities for regionwide programs at further work sessions in May, building toward a final staff program recommendation and Council direction in June. The final programs will be part of the overall Get Moving 2020 investment package for Council referral consideration in July.

IDENTIFIED POLICY OUTCOMES

The Metro Council has directed that the measure advance the Regional Transportation Plan, Strategic Plan to Advance Racial Equity, and Climate Smart Strategy; engage diverse partners and community members; and leverage affordable housing and parks and nature investments. The Metro Council approved specific policy outcomes for the potential transportation measure and appointed a Transportation Funding Task Force in early 2019.

POLICY QUESTIONS

How do the work and findings of the Community Partners inform Council's consideration of how investments and oversight for the Get Moving 2020 measure can best advance racial equity and other outcomes?

STRATEGIC CONTEXT & FRAMING COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Metro has been working since early 2018 to lay the foundation of a collaborative, comprehensive investment plan that makes getting around safer, faster and more affordable for everyone. The Metro Council has directed that this plan include investments throughout the region, supporting the many ways people travel. The council has directed that this work must place advancing racial equity and addressing climate change at its core. The council has also directed staff to engage a wide range of community members, partners and leaders to identify smart solutions supported by a broad coalition.

As the region emerges from the current crisis, the greater Portland area will continue to grow. People will still be moving here. Children will still need to get to school safely. Workers and students will still need safe, reliable, and affordable transportation choices. Our communities will look for leadership to create jobs and generate the economic activity that will drive our region's recovery.

Transportation investments have often played a key role in putting people back to work and rebuilding our communities after an economic crisis. Reliable, affordable, safe and predictable transportation and transit options are in many ways more critical when family finances are stretched. This measure identifies hundreds of individual projects that are ready to go, so we can put tens of thousands of people back to work building a transportation system to serve greater Portland for decades to come.

That's why Metro will continue to work with partners, stakeholders and the public to complete the Get Moving transportation funding measure proposal. This work has always been about working together to create a healthy and prosperous region for everyone who

lives here. Now more than ever, building a blueprint forward will help all of us when it's time to regather and rebuild.

BACKGROUND

In December 2018, the Metro Council adopted a Regional Transportation Plan update, following years of engagement that included more than 19,000 engagements with residents, community and business leaders, and regional partners. Through the extensive engagement that shaped the plan, Metro heard clear desires for safe, smart, reliable and affordable transportation options for everyone and every type of trip. The 2018 Regional Transportation Plan is built on key values of equity, climate, safety, and congestion relief.

At work sessions in January 2019, the Metro Council provided guidance on key outcomes, principles and the structure of a potential investment measure to help advance these values. The council also approved a charge for a diverse and regionally inclusive Regional Transportation Funding Task Force. The Task Force reviewed Metro Council direction and policy regarding the measure; identified additional desired outcomes; provided input to Council on priority corridors, regionwide programs and possible revenue mechanisms; made recommendations on Tier 1 investments; and reviewed potential Tier 2 corridor investments. Co-chaired by Commissioners Jessica Vega Pederson and Pam Treece, the Task Force held its 22nd and final meeting on April 15, 2020.

In June 2019, informed by input from the Task Force and an online survey completed by approximately 3,500 area residents, the Metro Council directed staff to move 13 "Tier 1" corridors into further project identification, development and engagement. The council also identified 16 "Tier 2" corridors that could also be considered for funding if there is revenue capacity. Over summer 2019, three Local Investment Teams toured the Tier 1 corridors and provided feedback to inform staff and Task Force project recommendations.

Metro staff released a preliminary Tier 1 corridor projects and regionwide programs recommendation to the Transportation Funding Task Force in October 2019. The Task Force finalized their recommendations – most of them unanimous – on Dec. 19, 2019. The \$3.81 billion in proposed Tier 1 investments would leverage approximately \$2.62 billion in expected federal and local funds, for a total of \$6.43 billion in corridor investments. In December, after months of engagement and discussion of staff investment recommendations, the Transportation Funding Task Force recommended roughly \$3.81 billion in measure investments in thirteen Tier 1 corridors. These investments would leverage more than \$2 billion in expected federal and local investments, and complement proposed regionwide programs making additional investments beyond the corridors.

At work sessions in January and March, Council reviewed the Task Force's Tier 1 corridor recommendations, directing staff to proceed with further development for all of the unanimous recommendations and posing additional questions about some corridors. In April, acting on Task Force input and staff recommendations, Council directed staff to include further project investments in the Highway 43 corridor as well as planning investments in the 99W, 217 and Highway 43 corridors. Staff will follow Council's direction in developing a final project recommendation for the Council's consideration in June.

In September 2019, informed by input from community forums in the spring and Task Force discussions in the summer, the Metro Council advanced ten regionwide programs to for potential inclusion in the measure, at an expected investment of \$50 million annually. Staff are developing these programs further with community and jurisdictional partners. Programs include creating community-based anti-displacement strategies in the measure's corridors. Following extensive engagement in the late winter and early spring, and a series of Council engagements in May, staff plan to present a program recommendation to the Metro Council in June.

Council is expected to consider referral to the November 2020 ballot this summer.

- Is legislation required for Council action? **Legislation will be required for referral.**

ATTACHMENTS:

- None