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JOINT POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION (JPACT)  
Meeting Minutes  
April 15, 2021  
Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

MEMBERS PRESENT

Shirley Craddick (Chair)  
Juan Carlos González  
Christine Lewis  
Roy Rogers  
Jessica Vega Pederson  
Paul Savas  
Temple Lentz  
Anne McEnerny-Ogle  
Rian Windsheimer  
Curtis Robinhold  
Nina DeConcini  
  
Steve Callaway  
Travis Stovall  
Kathy Hyzy  
Sam Desue

AFFILIATION

Metro Council  
Metro Council  
Metro Council  
Washington County  
Multnomah County  
Clackamas County  
Clark County  
City of Vancouver  
Oregon Department of Transportation  
Port of Portland  
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality  
(ODEQ)  
Cities of Washington County  
Cities of Multnomah County  
Cities of Clackamas County  
Trimet

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Jo Ann Hardesty  
Carly Francis

AFFILIATION

City of Portland  
Washington State Department of Transportation

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Kathryn Harrington  
Scott Langer  
JC Vannatta  
Chris Warner  
Jef Dalin

AFFILIATION

Washington County  
Washington State Department of Transportation  
TriMet  
City of Portland  
Cities of Washington County

OTHERS PRESENT: Caleb Winter, Chris Smith, Grace Cho, Erin Doyle, Matt Ransom, Mike Bezner, Nafisa Fai, Shoshana Cohen, Stephen Roberts, Tom Ellis, Will Farley, Chris Fick, Glen Bolen, Jaimie Huff, Jeff Gudman, Jeff Owen, John Williams, Jon Makler, Katherine Kelly, Kelsey Lewis, Kim Bria, Lake McTighe, Lisa Hunrichs, Sarah Iannarone, Will Farley

STAFF: Alex Oreschak, Margi Bradway, Carrie MacLaren, Dan Kaempff, Tyler Frisbee, Kim Ellis, Elizabeth Mros-O'Hara, Kate Fagerholm, Connor Ayers, and Jaye Cromwell.

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

JPACT Chair Shirley Craddick called the virtual zoom meeting to order at 7:30 am.

Chair Craddick provided instructions on how to properly participate in the virtual meeting.

**2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION ON AGENDA ITEMS**

There were none.

**3. UPDATES FROM THE CHAIR**

Chair Craddick announced that some adjustments would be made to the meeting in an effort to make it run more efficiently. The member updates would be moved to the end of the meeting and the chat function was activated. She asked for JPACT members to send any suggestions they may have to make the meetings run smoothly.

She asked Metro Staff Margi Bradway to read the names of those that have died in traffic accidents in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties.

Ms. Bradway shared the names and ages of victims during the month of March:

Inna Danilovna Bosovik, 36, Susan Kay Sturdavant, 65, Galdino Salazar Jr., 36, Morise Messiah Smith, 21, Baylei Mead, 9, and three unknown persons.

Chair Craddick announced that this would be Commissioner Roy Rogers' last meeting and introduced a letter written by Congresswoman Susan Bonamici.

Chair Harrington honored Commissioner Rogers for his decades of service in the field of transportation. She highlighted some of the work he has done in the region and thanked him for his service.

Chair Craddick thanked her and asked if members would like to make a comment.

Mayor Steve Callaway acknowledged Commissioner Roger's years of experience and expressed gratitude for his advice early in the Mayor's career.

General Manager Sam Desue thanked Commissioner Rogers for his long partnership with TriMet.

Manager Rian Windsheimer noted Commissioner Roger's leadership on numerous committees and expressed appreciation for his teamwork.

Commissioner Jessica Vega Pederson expressed appreciation for the way that Commissioner Rogers shares his experience on JPACT.

Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez thanked Commissioner Rogers for his service and leadership in Washington County.

Commissioner Paul Savas acknowledged that he has been a great asset to the region and expressed appreciation for his statesman conduct.

Councilor Christine Lewis thanked Commissioner Rogers for his years of service.

Administrator Nina DeConcini thanked Commissioner Rogers for his helpfulness and guidance.

PBOT Director Chris Warner thanked Commissioner Rogers for his mentorship.

Mayor Travis Stovall expressed appreciation for the strong foundation that Commissioner Rogers has laid for the region.

Chair Craddick added that Commissioner Rogers is a highly respected statesman in the region. She thanked him for his kindness and support throughout the region.

Commissioner Rogers thanked members for their comments. He advised members to speak as a region and stick together.

#### **4. CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Mayor Callaway moved to accept the consent agenda. Mayor Anne McEnery-Ogle seconded the motion.

**ACTION:** With all in favor, motion passed.

#### **5. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

##### **5.1 Regional Congestion Pricing Study, Findings**

Chair Craddick introduced Metro Staff Elizabeth Mros O'Hara and Metro Staff Alex Oreschak. She explained that it is a technical study to evaluate congestion pricing as a tool to accomplish regional transportation priorities.

*Key elements of the presentation included:*

Ms. Mros-O'Hara explained that the goal of the presentation was to go over the findings of the study and to get feedback from JPACT members. The study is starting to show results of different types of pricing and their impacts. The overall goal of the study is to inform and educate people on how congestion pricing can be used to meet traffic demand and climate goals. The study does not recommend a project, but the expected outcomes will inform future discussions and efforts of PBOT and ODOT. Ms. Mros-O'Hara gave an overview of the key performance measures of the study. She listed the key measures of vehicle miles traveled, percentage of people using different modes of travel, accessibility to jobs, vehicle delay, emissions, and costs. She acknowledged that the model is not the best for understanding safety.

Mr. Oreschak explained the four tools used in the study of vehicle miles traveled fee, cordon pricing, roadway pricing, and parking pricing. He gave an overview of the 8 scenarios that the study looked at to compare effects of charges and the amounts charged. He highlighted maps of the region which displayed the effects of different charge scenarios. He summarized the scenario performances and the tradeoffs for implementing different pricing scenarios. He noted that VMT and parking scenarios were the most successful at meeting regional goals, while cordon and roadway scenarios had more mixed results.

Ms. Mros-O'Hara discussed the upcoming Congestion Pricing Expert Review Panel that will discuss congestion pricing. She shared the panel members and the form of the panel.

*Member discussion included:*

Commissioner Savas asked if there was a map that considered the economic impacts on businesses.

Ms. Mros-O'Hara answered that the project is very high level. She agreed that a congestion pricing project would need to take economic impacts into account, and it would be something to explore in the future.

Commissioner Savas noted that in his experience as a business owner getting people to work easily is very important.

Commissioner Rogers agreed that congestion pricing would have a major impact on businesses. He noted that businesses vote with their feet and could potentially leave the region. He also expressed uncertainty of the legal implications of charging for road use.

Director Curtis Robinhold expressed enthusiasm for the range of options and an interest in hearing panelists talk about mitigation strategies.

Councilor Kathy Hyzy expressed an interest in asking panelists about workforce housing's role in congestion pricing. She also asked for the panel to bring in thinking about climate goals and creating a successful system outside of cost considerations.

Mayor Stovall emphasized the necessity of discussing how equity and access to jobs can be implemented.

Mr. Windsheimer noted the importance of pricing measures and emphasized that this study would inform future work on the impacts of diversion, the economy, equity, and workforce.

Ms. Mros-O'Hara thanked everyone for their comments.

## **5.2 JPACT Federal Policy Discussion**

Metro Staff Tyler Frisbee informed members that she has been working with their staff to update the federal policy agenda and that more information could be found in the slideshow distributed to members.

## **5.3 Regional Mobility Policy Update**

Chair Craddick explained that Metro and ODOT are working to redefine mobility when creating plans. She introduced Metro Staff Kim Ellis and ODOT Staff Glen Bolen.

*Key elements of the presentation included:*

Ms. Ellis explained that today they would be reintroducing JPACT members to the project and seeking direction from engagement opportunities. The project purpose is to redefine mobility in a more holistic way and to find better ways of measuring mobility

in the region. She explained that the work is focused on the system planning level as well as comprehensive plan amendments and zoning changes. Ms. Ellis then gave an overview of the timeline of the project. The goal is to finish the work by March of next year so that it can be used in the next regional transportation plan update.

Ms. Ellis noted that the Oregon Transportation Commission has been developing their strategic action plan priorities. The work done aligns with the commissions goals of equity, modernization, and transportation funding. She noted that the commission considers accessibility, mobility, climate, and congestion relief key aspects of a modern transportation system.

She noted that there are factsheets online that explain how current mobility policy is being used throughout the region. She gave an overview of the key themes and observations gained from the project. She noted that a focus should be to ensure local plans are consistent with the broader system plan.

Ms. Ellis highlighted the engagement that has been done in the past and stakeholder definitions of mobility. She emphasized that people have different definitions of mobility and gave an overview of the elements included in the draft mobility policy. She highlighted the key aspects of the work which included reliable predictions of how long it would take people to travel, safety, and options for travel. She noted that the streets serve many different functions that can vary depending on the land use context, which could change how mobility is measured. She gave an overview of the draft measures that the project had gone through that align with policy goals. In the near future staff would be testing different measures and examining their impacts more closely.

*Member discussion included:*

Commissioner Savas expressed appreciation that mobility is a major lens for looking at transportation in the region. He noted that congestion is a symptom and wondered if the emphasis should focus more on throughput. He stated that the number of vehicles on the road shows a growth in the economy, but there are fewer emissions, indicating we are in a transition period.

Mayor Callaway noted emissions were previously a part of the key elements of consideration and wished for more of a focus on it. He asked how the region is being thoughtful about emissions that disproportionately affect BIPOC communities.

Ms. Ellis responded that they had gotten feedback to match up to priority areas and thanked Mayor Callaway and Commissioner Savas for the input.

## **6. UPDATES FROM JPACT MEMBERS**

*There were none.*

**7. AJOURN**

Chair Craddick adjourned the meeting at 8:57 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Connor Ayers*

Connor Ayers  
Recording Secretary

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF APRIL 15, 2021**

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| 3.0         | Presentation         | 04/15/21    | March Traffic Fatalities                       | 041521j-01          |
| 5.1         | Presentation         | 04/15/21    | Regional Congestion Pricing Study Presentation | 041521j-02          |
| 5.2         | Presentation         | 04/15/21    | JPACT Federal Policy Update                    | 041521j-03          |
| 5.3         | Presentation         | 04/15/21    | Regional Mobility Policy Update Presentation   | 041521j-04          |

