

JOINT POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION (JPACT) Meeting Minutes November 17, 2022 Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

MEMBERS PRESENT

Shirley Craddick (Chair) Juan Carlos González Christine Lewis Temple Lentz Travis Stovall Anne McEnerny-Ogle Paul Savas Kathy Hyzy Nafisa Fai Jessica Vega Pederson Carley Francis Rian Windsheimer Sam Desue Jo Ann Hardesty Ali Mirzakhalili

AFFILIATION Metro Council Metro Council Metro Council Clark County Cities of Multnomah County City of Vancouver Clackamas County Cities of Clackamas County Washington County Multnomah County Washington State Department of Transportation **Oregon Department of Transportation** TriMet City of Portland Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Curtis Robinhold Steve Callaway

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Chris Ford JC Vannatta Chris Warner Jef Dailin Emerald Bogue

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<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>: Annadiana, Allison Boyd, Brenda Bartlett, Chris Deffabach, Chris Ford, Cody Fields, Dave Roth, Don Odermott, Dwight Brasher, Dave Roth, Eric Hesse, Glen Bolen, Jamie Lorenzini, Jean Senechal Biggs, John Mermin, Julies Gustafson, Karen Buehrig, Kate Hawkins, Katie Selin, Katherine Kelly, Lisa Hunrichs, Lucia Ramirez, Laurie Lebowsky, Mark Dorn, Mark Ottenad, Matchu Williams, Mathew Hampton, Mel Krnjaic Hogg, Mike McCarthy, Neelam Dorman, Nick Fortey, Scott Langer, Sarah Paulus, Shawn Donaghy, Shoshana Cohen, Tara O'Brien, Tom Markgraf. <u>STAFF</u>: Ally Holmqvist, Andy Shaw, Anne Bussini, Brianna Dolbin, Caleb Winter, Craig Beebe, Grace Cho, Jaye Cromwell, John Mermin, Kim Ellis, Lake McTighe, Malu Wilkinson, Marielle Bossio, Michelle Bellia, Matt Bihn, Ramona Perrault, Ted Leybold, Tom Kloster, Connor Ayers, Carrie MacLaren, Margi Bradway.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

JPACT Chair Shirley Craddick (she/her) called the virtual Zoom meeting to order at 7:30 am.

Chair Craddick called the role and declared a quorum.

2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

3. UPDATES FROM THE CHAIR

There were none.

Metro Staff Margi Bradway (she/her) shared the names and ages of traffic victims during the month of November:

Robert Luhasz, 29, Herman A Neal IV, 31, Gabrial Gilberto Silva Duarte, 21, and five individuals who are unidentified.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Mayor McEnerny-Ogle moved to approve the consent agenda seconded by Commissioner Hardesty (she/her).

ACTION: With all in favor, consent agenda passed.

5. Action Items

5.1 Draft Regional Mobility Policy and Implementation Plan for 2023 RTP

Chair Craddick introduced Kim Ellis (she/her), Metro Glen Bolen (he/him), ODOT and Susie Wright, PE, Kittelson and Associates to present to JPACT.

Key elements of the presentation included

Kim explained the action requested by JPACT, project details and purpose, project timeline, applications of the current mobility policy, past and current research projects, the six elements of

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mobility, six policy statements, draft mobility policy performance measures and targets, draft implementation action plan, and next steps.

Ali Mirzakhalili questioned why Vehicle Miles Traveled per capita (VMT) is a target for measuring Greenhouse gas emissions (GHG).

Kim discussed how the state directed the region to have a VMT per capita reduction target as a measurement to make sure GHG reduction targets are met.

Commissioner Savas expressed concern that tolling freeways will force people to take side roads to avoid tolling, resulting in an increase of GHG emissions.

Margi Bradway explained the complexities of the mobility policy and how it is applied through the RTP.

Commissioner Hardesty stressed the City of Portland's support for the Mobility Policy. She also stated that managing demand and expanding travel choices is essential before expanding freeway capacity.

Mayor Dalin asked how a "complete transit system" is defined.

Kim noted that a complete transit system is explained in chapter 3 of the RTP.

Mayor Dalin asked why electrification and safety are not measured in the Mobility Policy.

Margi explained how safety is a core goal of the RTP, with policies in place including potential solutions when needs are identified.

Rian Windsheimer noted that when we are making land use decisions, we need to understand what the demand for those would create on the transportation system and ensure no undue burdens beyond what the system can handle. He further clarified: Related to the 35 mph reliability target, if you get below that level and you get a hiccup, like a crash or disabled vehicle then the whole system can breakdown. 35 mph is not our performance measure for the highways, it is a reliability target only that is an indicator for identifying system needs. There are a whole bunch of reasons why you want your system to perform better than 35 mph. Reliability slow or reliably bad is not what we want. I am ready to move forward with this reliability measure from a testing perspective, but want to be very clear we are not conflating one reliability measure with performance acceptability.

Commissioner Fai asked if the evaluation process will include consideration of funding limitations.

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Kim stated that as part of the RTP process a revenue forecast will be developed.

Council President Hyzy asked for additional information on how the Mobility Policy will feed back into the work of cities, such as Transportation Systems Plans (TSP).

Kim explained as cities embark on their TSP process, the Mobility Policy can serve as a bases for the work.

MOTION: Commissioner Hardesty (she/her) moved to approve the motion, seconded by Mayor McEnerny-Ogle (she/her).

ACTION: Commissioner Savas voted no. With all else in favor, the motion passed.

6. Information/Discussion Items

6.1 2023 RTP Needs Assessment

Chair Craddick introduced Elliot Rose

Key elements of the presentation included:

Elliot explained what role the Needs Assessment plays in the RTP, stakeholder feedback on the RTP needs, RTP goals areas; thriving economy, safety, equity, mobility and climate, and next steps in the needs assessment process

Commissioner Fai asked how the analysis factors in varying needs across the region and what additional analysis staff would find helpful.

Elliot shared how needs are being measured at a regional level to create an initial standard while allowing for partner agencies to apply their own expertise.

Emerald Bogue emphasized the fundamental importance of connectivity and efficiency for a thriving economy.

Commissioner Savas raised concerns about the connectivity of the region.

Elliot explained how needs are extensive in the region and resources are limited.

6.2 RTP - Call for Projects for 2023 RTP & RTP Financial Plan: Revenue Forecast

Chair Craddick introduced Kim Ellis and Ted Leybold 11/17/2022

Key elements of the presentation included:

Kim explained the presentation purpose, previous and future staff work and engagement, process of updating the regions priorities, process of identifying and finding RTP projects, what projects are eligible for the RTP, the five RTP goals and five key policy topics.

Ted explained elements of the revenue forecast, estimates for maintenance and operations costs, and estimates for capital project costs from 2023-45.

Mayor Dalin conveyed concern with the six-week time limit for project review and approval.

Commissioner Savas spoke on investments in areas that have lacked focus previously.

Commissioner Hardesty highlighted how the City of Portland has taxed themselves to complete projects and investments in their jurisdictions that state and federal funding would not cover.

7. UPDATES FROM JPACT MEMBERS

Sam Desues, TriMet, discussed the 60 ft articulated bus fleet grounding due to an equipment failure found during an inspection.

8. ADJORN

Chair Craddick adjourned the meeting at 9:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brianna Dolbin

Brianna Dolbin Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF October 20, 2022

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT NO.
2.0	Testimony	11/17/2022	Wilsonville-SMART, Comment on Forward Together	11172022-02
3.0	Presentation	11/17/2022	Fatal Crash Slide	11172022-01
5.1	Presentation	11/17/2022	Draft Regional Mobility Policy	11172022-03
6.1	Presentation	11/17/2022	RTP Needs Assessment	11172022-04
6.2	Presentation	11/17/2022	RTP Call For projects	11172022-05