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JOINT POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION (JPACT)

Meeting Minutes

December 15,

2022

Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

AFFILIATION

Metro Council
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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 Cities of
Washington County

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Curtis Robinhold

AFFILIATION

Port of Portland

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Chris Ford JC
Vannatta
Chris Warner Emerald
Bogue

AFFILIATION

Oregon Department of Transportation TriMet
City of Portland Port
of Portland

OTHERS PRESENT: 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

STAFF: 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

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

Feliciano Cruz Marales, 30, Dalton Nathan Scott Stevens, 31, Michael Charles Davis, 82, Donna Lee De La Rosa, 80, Ku Nay Htoo, 55, Morgan Ashley Martin, 34, Leo Edward Vanderzanden, 70, Eric Daniel Echtenaw, 63, and 5 unidentified victims.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Fai moved to approve the consent agenda seconded by Mayor McEnery-Ogle.

ACTION: With all in favor, consent agenda passed.

Rian Windsheimer requested the 11/17/22 minutes be removed from the consent agenda to add clarifying language.

Carrie recommended that members of JPACT read the proposed revision from Rian and if all approve, accept the edits to avoid editing the minutes live.

Commissioner Savas expressed approval with the revision Rian requested.

Councilor Lewis explained she had staff listen back to the 11/17/22 meeting and that Rian's request does match what he had said.

Councilor Lewis moved to approve the amendment to the 11/17/22 JPACT minutes seconded by Mayor McEnerly-Ogle.

ACTION: With all in favor, the amendment passed.

5. Action Items

5.1 Recognizing Congressman Peter DeFazio

Chair Craddick thanked Congressman Peter DeFazio for his accomplishments and interest in transportation.

Chair Craddick asked JPACT members to approve the letter provided in the meeting packet.

Commissioner Hardesty moved to approve the motion seconded by Commissioner Saves.

ACTION: With all in favor, the amendment passed.

5.2 Resolution No. 22-5302 For the Purpose of Completing a HIP Fund Exchange with ODOT for Less Restrictive Federal Funds Allowing them to be Applied as Supplemental Funding Support to Seven Metro Regional Flexible Fund Allocation Funded Projects to Help Offset Inflation Cost Increase Impacts.

Chair Craddick introduced Ted Leybold, Metro and Ken Lobeck, Metro

Key elements of the presentation included

Ken discussed the Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP) funds exchange and allocation, how inflation has impacted project costs, and how applications have attempted to address cost gaps due to inflation. Ted explained how staff decided the one-time allocation of HIP funds should be used to address the cost gaps in current projects to meet deadlines. He then conveyed the process of collaboration with ODOT to exchange the funds, including identifying projects, implementation objectives, and funding recommendations. He explained the 7 projects identified through this process, with a \$3.8 million allocation.

Emerald Bogue expressed the Port of Portland's support and appreciation for the 40 Mile Loop: Blue Lake Park -Sundial & Harlow Rd project.

Ali Mirzakhali asked why the funds still have a time obligation, being that the HIP funds were swapped with other federal funds.

Ted explained that ODOT still must meet time obligations with their funds and Metro did not want to put extra pressure on them to pick up their responsibility.

MOTION: Commissioner Savas moved to approve the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hardesty (she/her).

ACTION: With all in favor, the motion passed.

5.3 2023 Regional Transportation Plan Call for Projects Policy Framework - Recommendation to Metro Council

Chair Craddick introduced Kim Ellis (she/her), Metro, Ted Leybold (he/him), Metro

Key elements of the presentation included

Kim explained the action staff is seeking as part of their presentation which is accepting the RTP Call for Projects Policy Framework. Kim discussed the project timeline, and project next steps. She highlighted who is involved in the Call for Projects process, what is updated and added to the projects, and why the project is important. She then explained projects identified in the 2018 RTP will act as a starting point for the 2023 RTP, the policy framework for the 2023 RTP, draft vision and goals for the 2023 RTP, key project dates, and the 12/2/22 TPAC recommendation to JPACT that asks members to accept the RTP Call for Project Policy Framework.

Commissioner Savas stated he submitted a friendly amendment to revise the vision statement that speaks to achieving regional balance for travel options.

Commissioner Hardesty thanked Metro for their work on the RTP update and appreciated the fact that the RTP is working through an outcome based approach.

Ali Mirzakhilili asked what the process of choosing projects is.

Kim explained staff will report back to JPACT in April and the system analysis will be available in late April and early May, with additional discussions in June about the proposed projects.

Carrie MacLaren, Metro Attorney, clarified the language that Commissioner Savas moved to amend.

Ali Mirzakhilili asked what commissioner Savas means by “regionally balanced”.

Commissioner Savas explained that “regionally balanced” would mean investments would be focused in areas where there is very little transportation options.

Commissioner Hardesty explained that not all places in the region are at the same place at the same time. Expressing that all projects that come through require local jurisdictional dollars and stating, waiting would not help the region become safer and would act as a barrier.

Mayor McEnery-Ogle explained that the city of Vancouver supports the amendment because it frames support of funding across the region, which ultimately results in more opportunity and access for an increased amount of people.

MOTION: Commissioner Savas (he/him) moved to amend the motion, seconded by Mayor McEnery-Ogle (she/her).

ACTION: Commissioner Jessica Vega Pederson- no, Commissioner Nafisa Fai- no, Commissioner Paul Savas- yes, Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty- no, Mayor Travis Stovall- yes, Mayor Steve Callaway- yes, Council President Kathy Hyzy- yes, Rian Windsheimer- yes, Sam Desue- yes, Emerald Bogue- abstain, Ali Mirzakhali- no, Councilor Juan Carlos González- no, Councilor Christine Lewis- yes, Carley Francis- abstain, Mayor Anne McEnery-Ogle- yes. With 8 yes, 6 No, 2 abstentions the amendment fails.

Commissioner Savas expressed concern for the assumption that Green House Gas (GHG) emissions will be reduced by congestion pricing. He agreed that measuring GHG in terms of vehicle miles traveled and vehicle hours travel is the correct measurement but is concerned with the lack of alternative transportation options, increasing GHG by implementing congestion pricing.

Margi explained the high-level policy statement is based on two years of work and Metro’s regional congestion pricing study. She explained the extensive analysis, model runs, and the expert panel review processes. She stressed that through all this work they found pricing mechanisms reduced GHG because it desensitized individuals from driving.

Ali Mirzakhali asked how much the plan is cognizant of other complementary measures such as the clean fuel program.

Kim explained changes in fleet will be accounted for in their analysis.

MOTION: Commissioner Hardesty (she/her) moved to approve the motion, seconded by Commissioner Vega Peterson (she/her).

ACTION: Paul Savas – No. With all else in favor, the amendment passed.

6 Information/Discussion Items

6.3 Ultra-High Speed Ground Transportation update

Chair Craddick introduced Ally Holmqvist, Metro, Jennifer Sellers, ODOT, Adam Leuin, WSDOT

Key elements of the presentation included:

Ally Described the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by Washington, Oregon, and British Columbia in November of 2021, and the relationship between the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the Oregon State Rail Plan.

Jennifer explained ODOT's update to the Oregon State Rail Plan.

Adam described the current state of the Ultra-High Speed Ground Transportation program (UHSGT), which is in the initiation phase, key attributes required for the program to be successful, and relationship requirements for success. He then provided a summary of the UHSGT, benefits it would provide, recent developments in the process, 2022 legislative direction and priorities.

Ally described the work of the policy and technical committee including agencies from across the corridor.

Adam explained the corridor identification, development process, and corridor proposals.

Council President Hyzy described the consequences for Milwaukie being bisected by train tracks. She asked how staff plans to engage local communities and freight through the development of the project.

Ally explained staff has submitted a list of communities and organizations that need to be included in engagement.

7 UPDATES FROM JPACT MEMBERS

Chair Craddick recognized and thanked the following out going JPACT members: Commissioner Hardesty, Commissioner Vega Peterson, and Council President Hyzy.

Commissioner Savas acknowledged Chair Craddick and her service to JPACT.

Commissioner Hardesty thanked Chair Craddick and all the JPACT members.

Councilor Lewis thanked JPACT members for their service.

Commissioner Vega-Pederson thanked the outgoing members of JPACT.

Council President Hyzy thanked Chair Craddick.

Mayor Callaway acknowledged Chair Craddick and JPACT members.

Councilor Gonzalez acknowledged the outgoing JPACT members.

Ali Mirzakhilili thanked Chair Craddick and the other JPACT members.

Chair Craddick shared that Councilor Gonzalez will be the next JPACT chair.

8 ADJORN

Chair Craddick adjourned the meeting at 9:30 am. Respectfully

Submitted,

Brianna Dolbin Recording
Secretary

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF December 15, 2022

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT NO.
3.0	Presentation	12/15/2022	Fatal Crash Slide	12152022-01
5.1	Presentation	12/15/2022	HIP Fund Exchange and Allocation	12152022-02
5.2	Presentation	12/15/2022	2023 Regional Transportation Plan	12152022-03
6.1	Presentation	12/15/2022	Ultra-High Speed Ground Transportation update	12152022-04