



TRANSPORTATION POLICY ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE
April 29, 2016
Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Williams
Judith Gray
Nancy Kraushaar
Katherine Kelly
Joanna Valencia
Chris Deffebach
Karen Buehrig
Don Odermott
Jared Franz
Cora Potter
Heidi Guenin
Lynda David
Kelly Brooks
Dave Nordberg
Adrian Esteban
Jared Franz
Charity Fain

AFFILIATION

Metro
City of Portland
City of Wilsonville, representing Cities of Clackamas County
City of Gresham
Multnomah County
Washington County
Clackamas County
City of Hillsboro, representing Cities of Washington County
Community Representative
Community Representative
Community Representative
Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council
ODOT
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
Community Representative
Community Representative
Community Representative

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Patricia Kepler
Nick Fortey
Eric Hesse
Susie Lahsene

AFFILIATION

Community Representative
Federal Highway Administration
TriMet
Port of Portland

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Phil Healy
Alan Snook
Tom Mills
Todd Juhasz

AFFILIATION

Port of Portland
ODOT
TriMet
City of Beaverton, representing Cities of Washington County

STAFF and GUESTS: John Donahue (WSDOT), Dan Kaempff, Ken Lobeck, Juan Carlos Ocana-Chiu, Ted Leybold, Malu Wilkinson, Kim Ellis, Jessica Martin

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair John Williams declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

MTIP / UPWP

Mr. Ken Lobeck (Metro), provided the 3rd quarter Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) Federal Fiscal Year 2015 Quarterly Obligations and Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Summary Report. He noted that there were a total of twenty one administrative amendments and one other amendment that was processed and completed. He added that most of the amendments shifted funds between phases to cover phase cost increases.

STFAC

Mr. Tom Mills (TriMet), informed the committee that there were two more meetings of The Special Transportation Fund Advisory Committee (STFAC) and provided a schedule (included as part of the meeting record). The STFAC is appointed by the TriMet Board of Directors to advise TriMet by making informed recommendations about the distribution of grants funded by the State of Oregon's Special Transportation Fund (STF) and the Federal Transit Administration's New Freedom Program.

RTP

Chair John Williams directed the committee's attention to several handouts (included as part of the meeting record) reporting on the status of the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). He added that staff would be coming back to the committee soon with results from the forum that took place on April 22nd.

Other

Ms. Judith Grey (City of Portland) requested that the order of agenda items be rearranged to allow the committee enough time to discuss the 2019-21 MTIP/ Regional Flexible Fund Allocation (RFFA) policy. With additional committee member and Chair support, the group agreed to allow invited guest, Mr. John Donahue (WSDOT), provide his presentation, followed by a substantive discussion on the MTIP/RFFA policy and then brief updates on SW Corridor and Diversity and Inclusion as time allowed.

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS.

There were none.

4. CONSIDERATION OF THE TPAC MINUTES FOR MARCH 25, 2016

MOTION: Mr. Michael Williams moved, seconded by Ms. Karen Buehrig, to approve the March 25, 2016 TPAC minutes. **ACTION:** The motion passed, with Ms. Charity Fain in abstention and the remaining members in attendance in favor.

5. WSDOT UPDATE

Mr. John Donahue (WSDOT) appeared before the committee and provided a PowerPoint presentation (included as part of the meeting record) on practical solutions (*Performance-Based designs, Maximizing safety system-wide, Encouraging innovation and Cost-effective solutions*). His presentation covered the following:

- Accomplishments
- Changes in transportation
- Responses to those changes

- WSDOT Capital project development process
- WSDOT practical solutions
- Washington ESHB 2012
- New design policy for 2016

Chair Williams thanked Mr. Donahue and stated that a copy of his presentation would be posted online.

6. 2018 -21 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT (MTIP) PROGRAM & 2019-21 REGIONAL FLEXIBLE FUNDS ALLOCATION (RFFA) POLICY DRAFT REPORT

Mr. Ted Leybold and Mr. Dan Kaempff appeared before the committee to initiate a discussion on the next steps for JPACT action on MTIP/RFFA Policy. At the last JPACT meeting, staff described five new policy choices as part of the 2019-21 MTIP/RFFA Policy and recommended adoption of the policy document. A motion was made to accept the staff policy recommendation. Three separate amendments modified the policy document to include an attachment with specific investment targets, to include the Powell Division project with the Southwest Corridor project on policy language about integrating pedestrian and bicycle connections to the project design, and to clarify that TriMet will seek to de-federalize Safe Routes to Schools capital projects.

At the May JPACT meeting, discussion of the pending motion will resume. Mr. Leybold directed the committee’s attention to a memo (included as part of the meeting record) which outlines next steps, project proposal evaluation process and timeline. He asked committee members to review the memo to ensure it accurately reflects action/discussion to date and help prompt their JPACT members to submit amendments to the report to staff in advance (by May 10th) so that they could be included in the meeting packet and considered by the committee at their next meeting on May 19th.

Mr. Leybold directed the committee to the 2018-21 MTIP and 2019-21 RFFA Policy Report. He reviewed the substantive changes that were made from the last TPAC and JPACT meeting. The committee discussed the details and edits to the report.

Ms. Judith Gray inquired about the accuracy of the dollar amounts listed for Project Focus Area Funding Targets. After recalculating, Mr. Kaempff stated that the numbers should be shown as follows:

Project Focus Area Funding Targets

Regional Freight Investments	8.29 million <u>7.34m</u>
Active Transportation/Complete Streets	24.86 million <u>25.81m</u>
TOTAL	33.15 million

Ms. Katherine Kelly inquired the committee if they wanted to have additional TPAC meetings to further develop and refine the recommendation to JPACT. The committee agreed to meet on May 6th and 13th to provide input on both the content of the criteria proposals, as well as a preferred structure and the project selection process. The DRAFT 2018-21 MTIP/RFFA Policy Report will be updated with recommended criteria based on input from those meetings, and included with materials mailed for the May 19 JPACT meeting.

7. 2017-2019 RTO GRANT PROGRAM

Mr. Dan Kaempff appeared before the committee and provided a PowerPoint presentation (included as part of the meeting record) on the 2017-19 Regional Travel Options Grant Program. Every two years, the RTO program solicits grant proposals to fund projects that help fulfill the goals and objectives of the RTO Strategic Plan. He noted that the current strategic plan was originally intended to guide the program through the end of fiscal year 2017. Since that plan was written and adopted, a number of policy and funding process developments have either occurred or are yet to occur that may significantly impact the RTO program:

- Consideration of additional funding to the RTO program from the 2019-21 Regional Flexible Funds Allocation (RFFA) for the purpose of regional investment in Safe Routes to School education and outreach
- Consideration of additional RFFA funding for the purpose of increasing the program's grantmaking capacity in response to adoption of the Climate Smart Strategies in 2014
- Development of the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), with potential new policies around how the region's transportation system is managed

Given these potential impacts to the program, staff recommends delaying the development and adoption of a new RTO strategic plan and beginning the planning process in 2017, once the 2019-21 RFFA process is complete, and further work has been accomplished on the 2018 RTP.

Ms. Karen Buehrig thanked Mr. Kaempff and inquired about why the number of prioritized projects is limited to one per region and that perhaps it could be two. She also stated that with regards to the small infrastructure category should remain as it currently is.

Ms. Heidi Guenin commented on the importance of meeting outcomes without creating an onerous process.

Mr. Kaempff thanked the committee for their comments and noted that grant agreements need to be in place by July 1, 2017 to enable project start at the outset of the grant period and be completed within a two-year timeframe (with grant awards made by December 2016/January 2017).

8. SW CORRIDOR STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Ms. Malu Wilkinson (Metro) appeared before the committee and provided a brief timeline on the SW Corridor project. She noted that on May 9 the SW Corridor steering committee would be asked to provide direction on what travel mode would best serve Portland Community College. On June 19, that committee would be asked to endorse a package that would also include some road improvements. She added that the recommendation from the SW Corridor steering committee would be brought to TPAC before moving to JPACT and then to the Metro Council.

9. DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN TO ADVANCE RACIAL EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Mr. Juan Carlos Ocaña-Chú provided the committee an update on the strategic plan to advance racial equity, diversity and inclusion. Last month, the committee was presented with big goals set for this effort. He directed the committee's attention to an Executive Summary report (included as part of the record) which provided information on the online survey hosted by Metro between February 22 and March 18 to solicit feedback from the public about Metro's equity strategy. 1,194 survey responses were submitted. Survey results showed that there is significant support for Metro to adopt a racial equity strategy. Many of the comments were centered on jobs and housing and advancing equity

issues related to transportation and collaborating more with communities of color. Mr. Ocaña-Chú described next steps, which would be to finalize the plan and present back to TPAC on May 27th. He added that the plan would also be presented to other Metro groups and committees including the Metro Exposition and Recreation Commission and the Metro Council on June 23rd.

10. 2015-18 MTIP AMENDMENT – NEW INTERSTATE 205: STAFFORD ROAD TO OR-99E WIDENING PROJECT

Mr. Ken Lobeck appeared before the committee and presented Resolution No. 16-4705, which would amend the 2015-16 MTIP to add the I205: Stafford Rd to OR-99E Widening Project Planning Phase and amend the FY 2015-16 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to add the project as a regional significant UPWP project. Mr. Lobeck provided a brief description of the location and project background. Ms. Kelly Brooks (ODOT) thanked Mr. Lobeck. She added that the proposed amendment would provide \$2.5M in National Highway Freight Program funding provided by the FAST Act to initiate planning work.

MOTION: Ms. Karen Buehrig moved to approve Resolution No. 16-4705, seconded by Ms. Gray.

ACTION: With all in favor, the motion passed.

11. ADJOURN

Chair Williams noted that there would be two additional meetings scheduled in May (May 6 and May 13) 2016. The meeting was adjourned at 11:57p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Martin, Planning and Development

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF APRIL 29, 2016

ITEM	TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
1	Agenda	4/29/16	Meeting Agenda	042916T-01
2	Document	4/15/16	List of upcoming agenda/discussion items	042916T-02
3	Document	3/25/16	3/25/16 TPAC meeting minutes	042916T-03
4	Report	4/28/16	2018 RTP status report for March – April 2016	042916T-04
5	Flyer	N/A	Event flyer: 12 Lessons from the Vision Zero Cities Conference	042916T-05
6	Document	4/28/16	2018 RTP Technical Work Group Meeting Schedule	042916T-06
7	Memo	4/21/16	To: TPAC and Interested Parties From: Ken Lobeck Re: MTIP and UPWP Summary Report	042916T-07
8	Document	N/A	Title: Attachment 1 to TPAC Staff Memo 3 rd Quarter MTIP Amendment Report	042916T-08
9	Document	N/A	Title: Attachment 2 to memo: UPWP Regionally Significant Projects Summary Update	042916T-09
10	Document	N/A	Title: How could the Southwest Corridor Plan help you get around by foot, bike, car or transit?	042916T-10
11	Report	4/4/16	Staff Recommendations for May 2016 Decisions – Transit Mode and PCC Sylvania Tunnel	042916T-11
12	Document	3/21/16	Design Manual 2015 Update “Roadmap”	042916T-12
13	Executive Summary	Winter 2016	Strategic Plan to Advance Racial Equity, Diversity and Inclusion	042916T-13
14	Report	2/22 – 3/18- 2016	Advancing Racial Equity Online Survey Report	042916T-14
15	Memo	4/21/16	To: TPAC From: Dan Kaempff Re: 2017-19 RTO Grant Program	042916T-15
16	Resolution	N/A	Resolution No. 16-4705	042916T-16
17	Exhibit A		Exhibit A to Resolution No. 16-4705	042916T-17

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18	Staff Report	4/22/16	Staff Report to Resolution No. 16-4705	042916T-18
19	Attachment	4/21/16	Attachment 1 to Resolution No. 16-4705	042916T-19
20	Attachment	4/7/16	Attachment 2 to Resolution No. 16-4705	042916T-20
21	Attachment	N/A	Attachment 3 to Resolution No. 16-4705	042916T-21
22	Attachment	N/A	Attachment 4 to Resolution No. 16-4705	042916T-22
23	Memo	4/27/16	To: TPAC, JPACT and Interested Parties From: Elissa Gertler Re: Corrected – Next Steps for JPACT action on MTIP/RFFA Policy	042916T-23
24	Report	May 2016	2018-21 MTIP and 2019-21 RFFA Policy Report DRAFT	042916T-24
25	Document	N/A	Title: 2015-17 Regional Travel Options Grant Award Summary	042916T-25
16	Flyer	April 2016	Metro hotsheet – project updates	042916T-26
17	Presentation	4/26/16	I-205: Stafford Road to OR-99E Widening Project	042916T-27
18	Presentation	4/29/16	Southwest Corridor Plan Update	042916T-28
19	Presentation	April 2016	WSDOT Practical Solutions	042916T-29
20	Handout	4/25/16	STFAC Meeting Schedule	042916T-30