

METRO COUNCIL

Work Session Worksheet

PRESENTATION DATE: November 7, 2017

LENGTH: 60 minutes

PRESENTATION TITLE: 2018 Regional Transportation Plan Policy Priorities

DEPARTMENT: Planning and Development

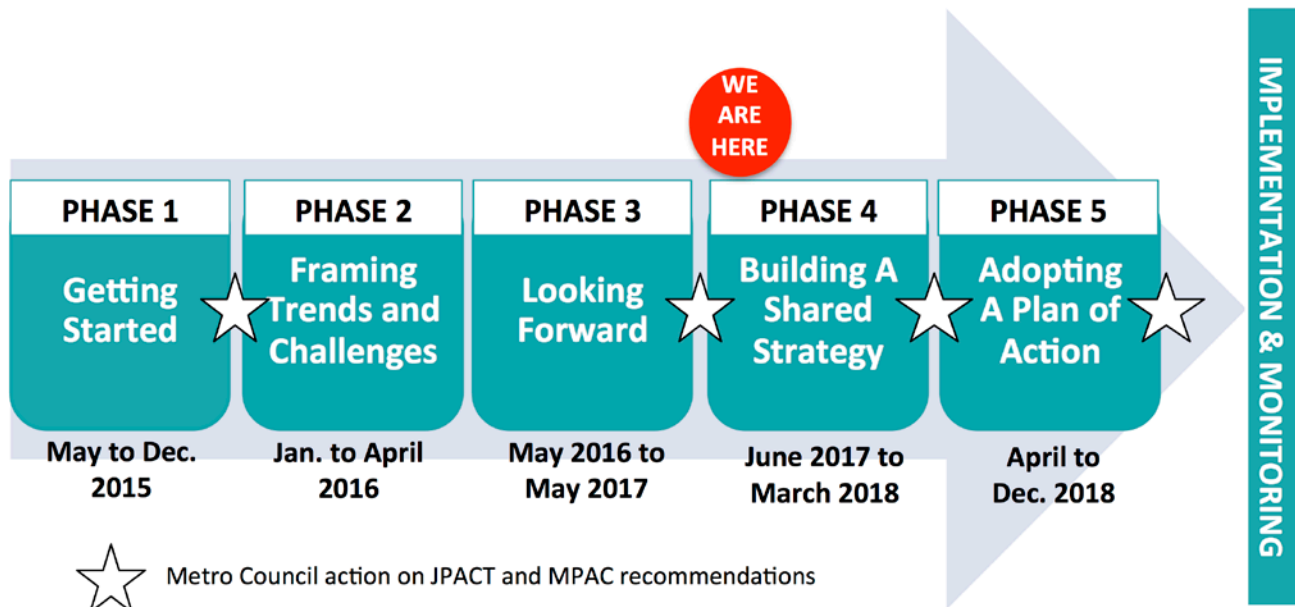
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WORK SESSION PURPOSE & DESIRED OUTCOMES

- **Purpose:** Present information about where there is clear Council consensus and where Council direction is needed to advance Vision Zero, racial equity and value pricing through the 2018 RTP.
- **Outcome:** Council direction as to the actions the Council will take to advance Vision Zero, racial equity and value pricing through the 2018 RTP.

TOPIC BACKGROUND & FRAMING THE WORK SESSION DISCUSSION

The Portland metropolitan region's economic prosperity and quality of life depend on a transportation system that provides every person and business in the region with equitable access to safe, efficient, reliable, affordable and healthy travel options. Through the 2018 RTP update, the Metro Council is working with leaders and communities throughout the region to plan the transportation system of the future by updating the region's shared transportation vision and investment strategy for the next 25 years. Shown in **Figure 1**, the plan update is in Phase 4 and on schedule.



At the September 26 work session, the Metro Council agreed to expend time and energy on these three policy priorities: Vision Zero, racial equity, and value pricing. These policy priorities are in addition to existing Council priorities for the 2018 RTP which focus on:

- developing an inclusive and transparent process;
- implementing the Climate Smart Strategy;
- using development of the 2018 RTP to clearly and realistically communicate the region's transportation funding outlook;
- right-sizing regional financial projections;
- aligning the financially constrained project list with the updated (and more realistic) financial projections;
- developing the RTP project list and RTP modal and topical strategies in a transparent way that advances adopted regional goals, supports regional coalition building efforts, and emphasizes equity, safety and climate change;
- implementing a more robust evaluation process that includes an expanded transportation equity analysis and project-level evaluation; and
- developing and adopting a Regional Transit Strategy and updated strategies for safety and freight.

Staff is now seeking guidance from Council about the additional actions Council would like to take, and staff should prepare for, in regards to advancing Vision Zero, racial equity, and value pricing in the 2018 RTP. In this work session, staff will summarize where there is clear Council consensus and where further Council direction is needed, based on conversations with each councilor between September 26th and November 2nd.

QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

- As a Council, how many additional actions would you like to take, and have staff prepare for, in regards to advancing Vision Zero, racial equity, and value pricing in the 2018 RTP?

PACKET MATERIALS

- Would legislation be required for Council action ☐ Yes ☒ No
- What other materials are you presenting today?