

METRO COUNCIL

Work Session Worksheet

PRESENTATION DATE: Aug. 14, 2018

LENGTH: 45 min.

PRESENTATION TITLE: Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) - Process Update for Portland Metro Region

DEPARTMENT: Metro Planning and Development and TriMet

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WORK SESSION PURPOSE & DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Purpose: Update Metro Council on the regional Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) process and the issues facing the HB2017 Transit Advisory Committee
- Outcome: A well-informed Metro Council in regards to the various projects eligible for STIF funding and the proposed funding levels.
- Purpose: Solicit input from the Metro Council for Metro's representative to the HB2017 Transit Advisory Committee regarding Metro's position on eligible projects for STIF funding and the proposed funding levels.
- Outcome: Guidance provided to Metro's representative in preparation for the Aug. 24th HB2017 Transit Advisory Committee meeting

TOPIC BACKGROUND & FRAMING THE WORK SESSION DISCUSSION

With the passage of House Bill 2017, Keep Oregon Moving, the Oregon Legislature made a significant investment in transportation to help advance the things that Oregonians value—a vibrant economy, strong communities, high quality of life, a clean environment, and safe, healthy people. This historic investment in Oregon's transportation system will produce benefits for decades to come.

A centerpiece of Keep Oregon Moving is the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF). This fund provides a new dedicated source of funding to expand public transportation to access jobs, improve mobility, relieve congestion and reduce greenhouse gas emissions around Oregon.

Section 122 of Keep Oregon Moving (Oregon House Bill 2017) established a new dedicated source of funding for expanding public transportation service in Oregon. This new funding source is called the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund, or STIF. As the Qualified Entity for the Portland metro area's STIF funds, TriMet is providing staff support to the region's HB2017 Transit Advisory Committee.

The STIF committee is made up of stakeholders from around the region, one of which is Metro. The committee has met monthly since Oct. 2017 to advise TriMet on developing a plan for allocating the region's HB2017 funds. The plan will be submitted to ODOT for approval once it is completed. The

committee is nearly finished deciding how much of the funds should be allocated to various programs. However, as more funds are allocated, the decisions get more difficult because there are fewer funds to allocate and multiple programs still vying for funding. The purpose of this discussion is to update the Council on the status of the committee's deliberations and to provide guidance to Metro's representative on the committee.

TriMet has made a proposal for final funding allocations. The proposal is based on the intent of the legislation, the committee's agreed upon Guiding Statement (developed at the beginning of the process), and public input. TriMet will provide additional considerations for the committee to discuss during the work session.

QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

- Metro's HB23017 Transit Advisory Committee member will be voting on a final allocation proposal. What guidance would Council like to provide to Metro's HB2017 Transit Advisory Committee member?
- What programs proposed for funding are most important to Council?

PACKET MATERIALS

- Would legislation be required for Council action ☐ Yes ☒ No
- If yes, is draft legislation attached? N/A Yes ☐ N/A No ☐
- What other materials are you presenting today? None. Presentation could be provided for advanced packet, if requested.