

METRO COUNCIL

Work Session Worksheet

PRESENTATION DATE: November 6, 2018

LENGTH: 45 minutes

PRESENTATION TITLE: Adoption of the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and Strategies: JPACT and MPAC Recommendations to the Metro Council

DEPARTMENT: Planning and Development

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WORK SESSION PURPOSE & DESIRED OUTCOMES

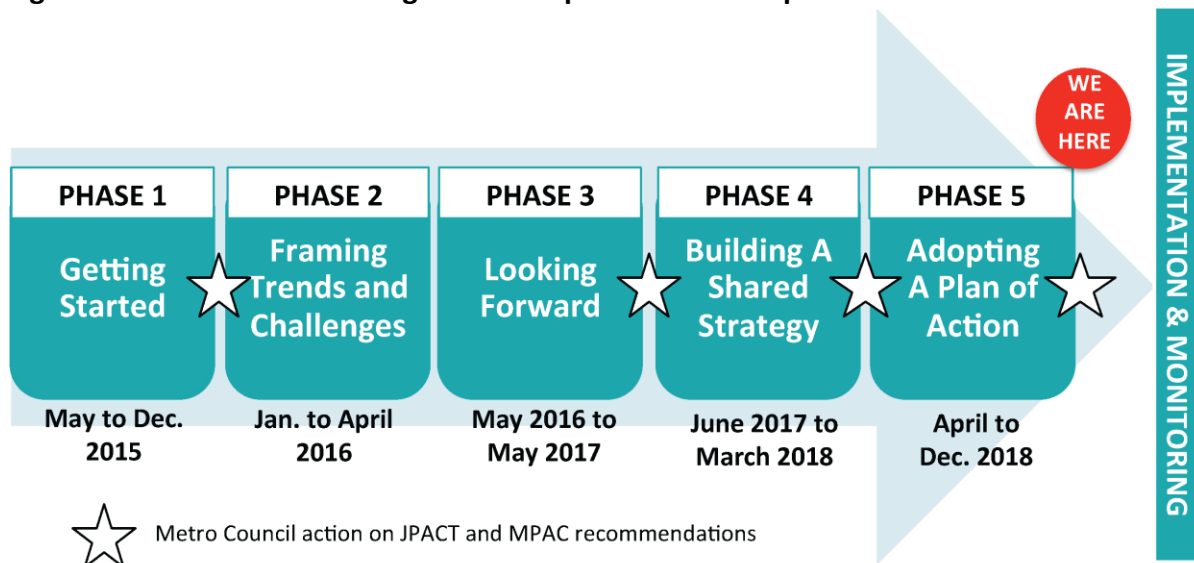
- **Purpose:** Update the Metro Council on final recommendations from the Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) and the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) on adoption of the 2018 RTP and strategies for safety, freight, transit and emerging technology.
- **Outcome:** Staff answer Councilors' questions and describe next steps.

TOPIC BACKGROUND & FRAMING THE WORK SESSION DISCUSSION

The greater Portland 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, reliable, healthy and affordable travel options. Since summer 2015, the Metro Council has been working with local, regional, state and federal partners and the public to update the region's shared transportation vision and investment strategy for the next 25 years.

Shown in **Figure 1**, the region is in the final adoption phase for the 2018 RTP and strategies for safety, freight, transit and emerging technology.

Figure 1. Timeline for 2018 Regional Transportation Plan Update



The RTP adoption package for consideration by the Metro Council culminates three years of hard work, collaboration and innovative thinking by the region, and recognizes more work is needed at the local, regional and state levels to implement the new plan. The adoption legislation includes changes recommended by MPAC on October 10 and JPACT on October 18 in response to public comments. The recommended changes are reflected in Exhibit B and Exhibit C to Ordinance No. 18-1421.

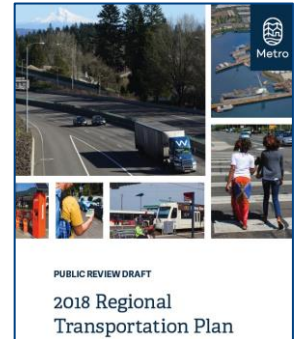
OVERVIEW OF ADOPTION PACKAGE

Adoption of the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan

The RTP is a component of the Regional Framework Plan, which is a governing document for the greater Portland region that carries the force and effect of law. When the Metro Council adopts amendments to the RTP or other components of the Regional Framework Plan, it is adopting legislation that must be adopted by ordinance in order to create legally binding requirements on local governments in the region. The RTP will also be adopted as the federally-recognized metropolitan transportation plan for the region under federal law and the regional transportation system plan for the region under state law.

- **ORDINANCE NO. 18-1421 AND STAFF REPORT**

- **Exhibit A – Public Review Draft 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and RTP Appendices.** This exhibit includes the draft 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and appendices, including the financially constrained project list. Amendments to the RTP document and appendices are documented in Exhibit C, but have not been incorporated in Exhibit A. A web link to an electronic copy is provided at the end of the packet for the decision record. Printed copies are available on request.
- **Exhibit B – Regional Framework Plan Amendments.** This exhibit amends the existing Chapter 2 of the Regional Framework Plan with the new goals and objectives included in Chapter 2 of the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan.
- **Exhibit C – Summary of Comments Received and Recommended Actions.** This exhibit documents substantive comments and MPAC and JPACT recommended amendments to Exhibit A.
- **Exhibit D – Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.** This exhibit includes legal findings that demonstrate consistency of the RTP with federal, state and regional requirements. *This exhibit is under development by the Office of Metro Attorney.*



Adoption of the Strategies for Safety, Freight, Transit and Emerging Technology

The four strategies are primarily guidance documents that provide a vision, policies and recommendations for the region that support implementation of the RTP. Each strategy is being proposed for adoption by resolution because much of each strategy consists of recommendations that do not impose binding obligations on local governments. However, key elements from each of the strategies that will create binding obligations on local governments are being incorporated into the 2018 RTP, including: recommended freight and transit network concepts, system maps that define functional classifications for freight and transit, and policies for safety, freight, transit and emerging technology. Adoption of the individual strategies by resolution expresses the intent of the Metro Council to support and implement each of the strategies, and is appropriate for strategies that provide guidance and policy direction.

- **Resolution No. 18-4892 and Staff Report**

- **Exhibit A – Public Review Draft 2018 Regional Transit Strategy.** This exhibit includes the public review draft 2018 Regional Transit Strategy. A web link to an electronic copy is provided at the end of the packet for the decision record. Printed copies are available on request.
- **Exhibit B – Summary of Comments Received and Recommended Actions.** This exhibit documents substantive comments and MPAC and JPACT recommended amendments to Exhibit A.



- **Resolution No. 18-4893 and Staff Report**

- **Exhibit A – Public Review Draft 2018 Regional Freight Strategy.** This exhibit includes the public review draft 2018 Regional Freight Strategy. A web link to an electronic copy is provided at the end of the packet for the decision record. Printed copies are available on request.
- **Exhibit B – Summary of Comments Received and Recommended Actions.** This exhibit documents substantive comments and MPAC and JPACT recommended amendments to Exhibit A.



- **Resolution No. 18-4894 and Staff Report**

- **Exhibit A – Public Review Draft 2018 Regional Transportation Safety Strategy.** This exhibit includes the public review draft 2018 Regional Transportation Safety Strategy. A web link to an electronic copy is provided at the end of the packet for the decision record. Printed copies are available upon request.
- **Exhibit B – Summary of Comments Received and Recommended Actions.** This exhibit documents substantive comments and MPAC and JPACT recommended amendments to Exhibit A.



- **Resolution No. 18-4869 and Staff Report**

- **Exhibit A – Public Review Draft 2018 Emerging Technology Strategy.** This exhibit includes the public review draft 2018 Emerging Technology Strategy. A web link to an electronic copy is provided at the end of the packet. Printed copies are available upon request.
- **Exhibit B – Summary of Comments Received and Recommended Actions.** This exhibit documents substantive comments and MPAC and JPACT recommended amendments to Exhibit A.



FINAL STEPS

In November and December, the Metro Council is scheduled to consider MPAC and JPACT's respective recommendations, which are largely the same. The Metro Council is scheduled to discuss the policy committees' recommendations on November 6 and hold two public hearings on November 8 and December 6.

On December 6, the Metro Council will consider final action on an ordinance adopting the 2018 RTP and four separate resolutions adopting the strategies for freight, transit, safety, and emerging technology.

A schedule of remaining Council discussions and final action is provided for reference.

Key Dates for Finalizing the 2018 RTP and Strategies

11/6	Metro Council	Discuss JPACT and MPAC recommendations
11/8	Metro Council	Public hearing (1 st evidentiary hearing) on Ordinance No. 18-1421
12/6	Metro Council	Public hearing and consider final action on 2018 RTP (by Ordinance) and strategies for freight, transit, safety and emerging technology (by separate Resolutions)

QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

- Does the Council have any questions about the MPAC and JPACT recommendations or process for finalizing the 2018 RTP and strategies for Council consideration in December?

PACKET MATERIALS

- Would legislation be required for Council action ☒ Yes ☐ No
- If yes, is the draft legislation attached? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- What other materials are you presenting today?
 - **Ordinance No. 18-1421 and staff report** (10/18/18)
 - **Exhibit A** – [Public Review Draft 2018 Regional Transportation Plan](#) and [RTP Appendices](#) *(provided electronically; printed copies are available upon request)*
 - **Exhibit B** – Regional Framework Plan Amendments (9/10/18)
 - **Exhibit C** – MPAC and JPACT Recommendations on Public Comments Received (10/18/18)
 - **Resolution No. 18-4892 and staff report** (10/18/18)
 - **Exhibit A** – [Public Review Draft 2018 Regional Transit Strategy](#) *(provided electronically; printed copies are available upon request)*
 - **Exhibit B** – MPAC and JPACT Recommendations on Public Comments Received (10/18/18)
 - **Resolution No. 18-4893 and staff report** (9/26/18)
 - **Exhibit A** – [Public Review Draft 2018 Regional Freight Strategy](#) *(provided electronically; printed copies are available upon request)*
 - **Exhibit B** – MPAC and JPACT Recommendations on Public Comments Received (10/18/18)
 - **Resolution No. 18-4894 and staff report** (9/26/18)
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