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METRO POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MPAC)

Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2020

Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

MEMBERS PRESENT

Susheela Jayapal
Martha Schrader
Christine Lewis
Sam Chase
Juan Carlos González
Dick Schouten
Ed Gronke
Theresa M. Kohlhoff
Gordon Hovies
Linda Glover

Peter Truax
Denny Doyle
Steve Callaway
Jerry Hinton
Kathy Hyzy
Emerald Bogue
Mark Watson

Kathy Wai
Luis Nava

AFFILIATION

Multnomah County
Clackamas
County Metro
Council
Metro Council
Metro Council
Washington County
Citizen of Clackamas County
City of Lake Oswego, Largest City in Clackamas County
Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue, Special Districts in Washington County
City of Vancouver
City of Forest Grove, Other Cities in Washington County
City of Beaverton, Second Largest City in Washington County
City of Hillsboro, Largest City in Washington County
City of Gresham, Second Largest City in Multnomah County
City of Milwaukie, Clackamas County
Port of Portland
Hillsboro School District Board of Directors, Governing Body of a School District
TriMet
Citizen of Washington County

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Amanda Fritz
Chloe Eudaly
Jerry Hinton
Brian Cooper
Terri Preeg Riggsby
Rachel Lyles Smith
Don Trotter

Brian Hodson
John Blom
Jim Rue

AFFILIATION

City of Portland
City of Portland
City of Gresham, Second Largest City in Multnomah County
Other Cities in Multnomah County
Special Districts in Multnomah County
Second Largest City in Clackamas County
Clackamas County Fire District #1, Special Districts in
Clackamas County
City in Clackamas County outside UGB
Clark County
Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Brett Sherman
Temple Lentz
Kirstin Greene

AFFILIATION

Other Cities in Clackamas County
Clark County
Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development

OTHERS PRESENT: Abby Hall, Paige Spence, Kristin Greene, Gordon Howard

STAFF Carrie MacLaren, Eryn Kehe, Jaye Cromwell, Megan Gibb, Jeff Raker, Nubia Milpas
Martinez

1. CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS, CHAIR COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Susheela Jayapal called the virtual meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

3. COUNCIL UPDATE

Councilor Chase provided an update on the OHSU COVID-19 drive through testing. He noted that Metro had received a \$850,000 grant from the Federal Transit Administration to align transit improvements in the Tualatin corridor. Councilor Chase announced that Metro was accepting applications for the Parks and Nature Bond Oversight Committee.

4. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

There was none.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Dick Schouten moved, and Mayor Steve Callaway seconded to approve the consent agenda.

ACTION: With all in favor, motion passed.

6. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 MPAC Discussion of its Role and Composition

Chair Jayapal provided a brief overview of the MPAC Discussion of its Role and Composition. She introduced Elissa Gertler, Metro's Planning and Development Director, to provide an explanation of the discussion.

Ms. Gertler highlighted the evolution of MPAC's role and discussed the growing need to redefine the role and composition of the committee. She thanked the members that participated in the anonymous MPAC survey and explained that the survey feedback helped shape the discussion questions. Ms. Gertler introduced Eryn Kehe, Metro staff, to facilitate the discussion.

Ms. Kehe provided a brief overview of the discussion procedures. She explained that she would be taking notes throughout the discussion. Ms. Kehe then highlighted the MPAC survey results. Ms. Kehe asked members to discuss what was and was not working about MPAC. She then asked members about their vision for the future role of MPAC.

Member discussion included:

- Councilor Gonzalez emphasized the need to enhance member diversity within MPAC. He recommended that MPAC implement an economic development focus.
- Commissioner Jayapal noted that MPAC had not recently had the opportunity to advise the Metro Council on policy. She advocated for increased opportunities for MPAC to advise the Council on policies.
- Councilor Kathy Hyzy noted that questions asked during presentations were frequently not followed up on. She expressed that this behavior cultivated a perception that the input of MPAC members was not valued. Councilor Hyzy added that the infrequency of MPAC meetings felt like missed opportunities for information sharing and regional collaboration.
- Commissioner Dick Schouten recommended that MPAC extend membership to members of the Oregon Legislature.
- Councilor Lewis advocated for member diversity and noted the need to enhance youth participation within MPAC. She recommended that stipends be offered for MPAC member participation.
- Gordon Hovies emphasized the need to incorporate opportunities for MPAC members to share their expertise on topics and issues within discussions.
- Councilor Peter Truax spoke against amending the bylaws to include members of the Oregon legislature.

6.2 Site Readiness Toolkit Update

Councilor Theresa M. Kohlhoff introduced Jeff Raker, Metro staff, and Alex Joyce, Cascadia Partners staff, to present on the Site Readiness Toolkit.

Key elements of the presentation included:

Mr. Raker provided a brief overview of the toolkit's purpose. He explained that the project was designed to help find tools to move challenged industrial and commercial employment sites within the Metro urban growth boundary to development-readiness to accommodate projected population growth.

Mr. Joyce outlined the seven site readiness challenges outlined in the project: Site assembly/aggregation, infrastructure, natural resource mitigation, local entitlements, redevelopment, brownfield remediation, and gravel pit conversion. He then explained that the project was comprised of four primary tasks: National Best Practices Research, Formation of New Tools, Modification to Existing Tools, and Site Readiness and Development Roadmaps. Mr. Joyce briefly reviewed the components of the primary tasks. He added that the site readiness toolkit was intended to serve as a resource for local policy makers.

Mr. Joyce outlined key conclusions from the project: infrastructure costs were the single largest cost hurdle for sites, current tools were too small in scale to move needle on these large sites, and state and regional action was needed to grow the toolbox and the revenue sources. He then discussed the recommendations for local and state action on site readiness.

6.0 ADJOURN

Councilor Theresa M. Kohlhoff adjourned the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nubia Milpas Martinez". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nubia Milpas
Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 14, 2020

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
6.1	Presentation	10/14/20	Building Blocks for Resilience Workshop: Regional Mitigation	101420m-01
6.2	Presentation	10/14/20	Regional Service Standards Update	101420m-02