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Minutes

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10:00 AM

<https://zoom.us/j/471155552> or 877-853-5257 (toll free)

Council work session

Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Lynn Peterson called the Metro Council
Work Session to order at: 10:02 a.m.

Present: 7 - Council President Lynn Peterson, Councilor Christine Lewis,
Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez,
Councilor Bob Stacey, Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal, and
Councilor Mary Nolan

Work Session Topics:

Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program Overview

Presenter(s): Margi Bradway (she/her), Metro
Ted Leybold (he/him), Metro

Council President Peterson introduced Margi Bradway
(She/Her) and Ted Leybold (He/Him) to present the
following Work Session Topic: Metropolitan Transportation
Improvement Plan (MTIP)

Ted reviewed the goals of the Metropolitan Transportation
Improvement Plan (MTIP) and the relationship between
MTIP and the State Transportation Improvement Plan
(STIP). Furthermore, Ted explained the implementation
process and the requirements for each type of amendments
and changes to the MTIP. Margi Bradway asked Council
what information they need to feel comfortable going
forward in the 2023 MTIP.

Ted stated that for all formal amendments and adjustments
to the MTIP there is a requirement to publically notify
jurisdictions through the Transportation Policy Alternatives
Committee (TPAC). Additionally, Margi reviewed the
financial thresholds of the different categories of projects.

Council Discussion

Councilor Rosenthal asked staff to review the difference
between deciding an adjustment and an amendment to the

MTIP. Furthermore, Councilor Rosenthal stated that he understands the current lack of capacity to ensure projects meet every goal but that staff should try to ensure that goals like racial equity are not lost when trying to meet climate goals.

Councilor Lewis asked staff to review what the requirements are for communicating changes to the MTIP with other jurisdictions. Additionally, Councilor Lewis urged staff to prioritize developing a robust community engagement strategy over expanding the number of projects accepted.

Councilor Gonzalez asked staff who can initiate an amendment or an adjustment in the project process and how Metro does measures the impact of the proposed amendments or adjustments.

Councilor Nolan asked staff to review the current approval process and how many priority areas a project must meet in order to be approved. Additionally, Councilor Nolan asked staff to further explain the outcomes of the MTIP.

Councilor Craddick shared her concern about reaching climate goals and urged Council and staff to continue working on developing new standards and practices that could help fight climate change. Additionally, Councilor Craddick asked staff if there is any flexibility with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) due dates on MTIP amendments and adjustments.

Council President Peterson asked staff to come back to Council with potential greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and other non-financial thresholds. Furthermore, Council President Peterson stated the importance of keeping

communication open with regional partners.

Seeing no further discussion on the topic, Council President Peterson moved on to the next work session topic.

Council Community Fund

Presenter(s): Ina Zucker (she/her), Metro
Victor Sin (he/him), Metro

Council President Peterson introduced Ina Zucker (She/Her) and Victor Sin (He/Him) to present the following Work Session Topic: Council Community Fund

Ina Zucker provided a brief overview of the Metro Council Sponsorship program. Victor Sin reviewed the sponsorship approval process of sponsorship requests, the greatest needs from non-profits across the region and asked council for input on changes to the programs priority areas.

Council Discussion

Councilor Craddick asked Ina and Victor to review some of the staff suggested changes to the sponsorship program priority areas. Additionally, she asked staff to review the process going forward to approving changes to the Sponsorship program's criteria.

Councilor Rosenthal shared his support of adding a healthcare component and an education component to the priority areas in light of the impacts of Covid-19 on the community.

Councilor Lewis expressed her support for adding food security and behavioral mental health services as new priority areas. Furthermore, she urged staff to be flexible with the project criteria since community needs tend to change frequently during the pandemic.

Seeing no further discussion on the topic, Council President Peterson moved on to Chief Operating Officer Communication.

Chief Operating Officer Communication

Marissa Madrigal (she/her) provided an update on the following events or items: Solid waste removal and the recent Covid-19 surge

Councilor Communication

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings and events: Waste Prevention and Environmental Services (WPES) liaison update, Willamette Falls Legacy project, MERC and Supportive Housing Services liaison update

Adjourn

There being no further business, Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Work Session at 12:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pilar Karlin

Pilar Karlin, Legislative Assistant

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 07, 2021

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
1.0	PowerPoint	09/07/21	Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Plan Presentation	090721cw-01
2.0	PowerPoint	09/07/21	Council Community Fund Presentation	090721cw-02