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# Regional Transportation Plan workshop #1 for Council and JPACT Meeting Minutes June 30, 2022 Conservation Hall in the Education Center at the Oregon Zoo

# MEMBERS PRESENT

Shirley Craddick (Chair) Juan Carlos Gonzalez Christine Lewis Mary Nolan Gerritt Rosenthal Nafisa Fai Paul Savas Travis Stovall Steve Callaway Kathy Hyzy Rian Windsheimer Sam Desue Anne McEnerny-Ogle AFFILIATION Metro Council Metro Council Metro Council Metro Council Metro Council Washington County Clackamas County Cities of Multnomah County Cities of Multnomah County Cities of Washington County Cities of Clackamas County Oregon Department of Transportation TriMet City of Vancouver

<u>ALTERNATES PRESENT</u> Chris Warner

<u>AFFILIATION</u> City of Portland

## 7:30 - Welcome & Introductions

Chair Shirley Craddick (she/her) called the meeting to order and called the role.

Deputy Council President Christine Lewis (she/her) welcomed members of JPACT, Council and guests and spoke on the importance of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

Chair Craddick welcomed Allison Brown from JLA Public Involvement to review the agenda for this morning.

Allison Brown described the format for today's meeting and what staff is hoping to get out of this meeting.

## 7:45 - 2023 RTP: Context and Background

Chair Craddick described the RTP, the importance of the RTP for implementing the 2040 Growth Concept and Climate Smart Strategy, the 2018 RTP update process and introduced Metro Staff Margi Bradway (she/her) to present.

Margi presented the 2023 RTP timeline and the current RTP goals.

Allison opened the group up to the first table discussion to talk about the current RTP goals.

Councilor Nolan asked for more guidance on how much consolidation on the current RTP goals staff is hoping for from members.

Margi and Allison responded by explaining that is up to each group.

### 8:05 - RTP Goals: Small group discussion & report back

Allison brought the larger group back together and asked small groups to report out on their discussion.

Sam Desue (he/him) described one of their table's main priority of safety and security. Sam explained that his table paired down the current RTP goals to 5 by combining current RTP goals. He stressed that the climate goal must be enhanced.

Councilor Lewis described her group's discussion and noted top priorities as safety and security, climate and environment, equitable, and reliability and efficiency.

Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez (he/him) explained that his group agreed on the need to focus these goals and highlighted the five focus areas that he heard in their discussion. These included, combining goals one and two, modernization of the transportation, climate leadership, racial equity and equitable transportation, and themes of good governance.

Councilor Mary Nolan (they/them) added that the group discussed anticipation and the importance of the RTP to anticipate rather than react to what is happening.

Rian Windsheimer stressed the importance of land use and understanding that the RTP is a balance of things.

Councilor Kathy Hyzy (she/her) discussed the importance of incorporating technological advancements into the transportation system, the need to put climate and housing front and center, and stressed the impacts of land use decisions. Councilor Hyzy also stressed the need for system resilience.

Mayor Anne McEnerny-Ogle, stressed the importance of a refined system and highlighted that the word freight is missing from these goals.

Councilor Rosenthal noted that the transportation system should be recognized as the Portland/Vancouver system as opposed to just the Portland regional system. Councilor Rosenthal highlighted the need of consolidation of these goals, the importance of modernization, and for the RTP to visualize what the system will look like as opposed to just how the system should operate.

Allison thanked all groups for sharing, described what staff is doing with this information and asked for questions or comments from members.

Commissioner Paul Savas asked how these goals are going to be used, describing the important differences in goals, priorities and pillars.

Margi responded by describing that the RTP has policies, plans, and projects and that the goals are the lens in which all three are looked at.

Mayor Steve Callaway asked how the RTP values and outcomes are melded into the goals.

Margi responded by explaining that the values and outcomes that Mayor Callaway is referencing are meant to inform the goal setting exercise but they are not necessarily the goals.

Councilor Gonzalez asked how the 2018 RTP goals helped or hindered the progress of the region.

Margi responded by explaining that there is analysis that is being done that looks at the completed projects and a needs and gap analysis.

Commissioner Savas asked if a needs analysis is done for the whole system.

Margi responded by explaining that a needs gap analysis is done for the whole system.

Allison read the current RTP vision statement and asked members to discuss the any potential updates to the vision statement in their small groups.

### 8:45 Vision Statement: Small group discussion & report back

Allison brought the larger group back together and asked small groups to report out on their discussion.

Councilor Hyzy read her table's version of the RTP vision statement: in 2040 the Portland-Vancouver Metro region will have a complete transportation system that prioritizes access to safe, reliable and healthy transportation options that meet or exceed climate goals. She highlighted the importance of words like access, safety and healthy.

Councilor Nolan read their table's RTP vision statement: the RTP will transform our transportation system by 2040 to sustain a healthy environment where everyone prospers.

Councilor Gonzalez added that they are embracing concise, bold language and the need for global context to this statement.

Councilor Lewis highlighted that the phrase Portland Metropolitan Region does not resonate with a lot of folks that are being served and suggested that the vision statement be framed from 2050. Councilor Lewis' table's RTP vision statement was: In 2050 everyone in the region will have access to a safe, reliable, healthy, equitable transportation system making it a great place to live, work, and play.

Mayor Callaway read their table's RTP vision statement: in 2040, everyone in the Portland Metropolitan region will share in a prosperous, equitable economy, and exceptional quality of life, sustained by a regionally balanced, reliable, healthy, accessible, affordable, and environmentally responsible transportation system.

Margi explained that Metro and JPACT has an additional federal designation as a transportation management area which includes Vancouver, so they are included in the RTPs vision and goals.

Councilor Lewis highlighted that her group's language decision was for folks in unincorporated Washington or Clackamas counties.

Commissioner Nafisa Fai described the necessity to figure out a less technical word to describe who the Metropolitan Planning Organization serves.

## 9:15 Next Steps

Allison briefly described next steps.

# <u>9:25 Adjourn</u>

Chair Craddick thanked everyone who was in attendance and closed the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stellan Roberts

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