

East Multnomah County Transportation Committee

City of Fairview

City of Gresham

City of Troutdale

City of Wood Village

Multnomah County

Port of Portland

Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 16, 2017, 3:00pm-5:00pm

Gresham City Hall, 1333 Northwest Eastman Parkway

Members

Jerry Hinton

Casey Ryan

Emerald Bogue

Tim Clark

Ted Tosterud

Representing

City of Gresham

City of Troutdale

Port of Portland

City of Wood Village

City of Fairview

EMCTC Staff

Katherine Kelly

Chris Strong

Nolan Young

Scott Sloan

Bill Peterson

Jessica Berry

Eileen Cunningham

Terra Lingley

Phil Healy

Jamie Snook

Eve Nilenders

Representing

City of Gresham

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City of Fairview

City of Wood Village

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Multnomah County

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ODOT

Port of Portland

Metro

TriMet

Guests

Ian Cannon

Shirley Craddick

Diane McKeel

Steve Entenman

Sue O'Halloran

Brian Monberg

Tom Mills

Multnomah County

Metro

State Transit Investment Fund RAC member

East Metro Economic Alliance

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City of Gresham

TriMet

1. Welcome and Introductions

Councilor Hinton called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm

2. Opportunity for Public Comment

None

3. Review and Adoption of July 17, 2017 Meeting Minutes – All

Action Item

Motion to approve by Tim Clark, Seconded by Casey Ryan.

4. JPACT Updates– Shirley Craddick and Jamie Snook, Metro

Jamie gave an update on the JPACT agenda. She noted there is a fact sheet handout. \$21.4B capital investment. 26% of the projects are new. Metro region is now in Air Quality attainment. MTIP Amendment, discussion items include the RTO work program. Another discussion item is the regional technology strategy and how it will inform the RTP. One action item is for a resolution to approve an IGA to pay for HCT and project development. Metro is moving forward with the allocation once the CMAQ funding was clearer: allocates \$60M to the Southwest Corridor, \$25M to Division Transit, \$10M for project development on three Highway bottlenecks, \$2M for active transportation, and \$5M to Enhanced Transit Corridors.

5. Regional Bond Measure Update – Mayor Tim Clark, Wood Village and Staff

Mayor Clark outlined the discussion that has been happening at the regional table regarding the potential bond measure. He discussed the JPACT Finance subcommittee. He noted that is also a task force made up of business members. Mayor Clark noted that the other coordinating committees are working on building “packages” of improvements we think we want and can build. He noted this would go to the TriMet board for a decision about whether or not to move forward with a bond measure for 2018.

Discussion:

Sue O’Halloran: What would it take for East County to support a Regional Bond measure? Measure needs to be something in it for East County to gain public support and needs to reflect local pinch points/congestion/safety issues.

Katherine Kelly: For Clackamas County, it has been a challenge to pull together urban and rural community input/stakeholder outreach/project lists

Emerald Bogue: Projects are important. We can’t assume that will have a second chance if fails.

Tom Mills: Maybe able to do in 2020, but may lose place in national funding queue. Funding from New Starts requires funding plan

Jamie Snook: New starts requires a funding plan, waiting until 2020 could make it difficult to get funding for Southwest Corridor

Tim Clark: Need to spend more time creating the package, want to make sure it is a good set of projects.

Tom Mills: Portland Mayor said that they won’t support a bill unless it includes affordable housing.

TriMet realizes the importance of this, but TriMet is unable to do this.

Emerald Bogue: It’s not building affordable housing, it is land banking for affordable housing, but TriMet cannot do this either.

Diane McKeel: We need projects and the package to connect Mt. Hood Community College (MHCC) to transit. It is about Equity.

6. Service Enhancement Plan Transit Priorities – Tom Mills and Eve Nilenders, TriMet and Staff

Tom began by discussing the passage of HB2017 transit advisory committee. He noted that Diane McKeel is the Co-chair. Diane McKeel noted that there will be 2 meetings, the first meeting is

October 26th at the White stag building on Couch in Portland. From 8-9:30 am. It is a public meeting. She noted she wants to hear the priorities for East County. Tom noted that there is a new Employee payroll tax and that funding will go to transit across the state. Tom noted that some of that will go to transit in the Metro region and some will go to intracity transit. The legislation also requires the creation of an advisory committee to make decisions about where and how to spend the funding. TriMet is looking to get going as soon as possible. Payroll tax will start being collected July 2018 and available to TriMet in January 2019.

Tom introduced Eve Nilenders as the new TriMet Liaison to EMCTC.

Then he began discussing the Annual Service update based on the eastside Service Enhancement Plan.

Katherine Kelly: Hogan/242nd not on list. High priority for City of Gresham. Come back next month to re-visit.

Tom Mills: TriMet will meet and discuss with Gresham and Multnomah County and bring back to EMCTC.

Craddick: Connections to TRIP and MHCC. Need to keep in mind shift times/needs for transit.

Mills: Impact of housing choices/availability/job locations on transit use. Low-income fare.

Suburbanization of low-income households. Gentrification of central city.

Mayor Clark: how is the Hop Fast Pass doing?

Tom Mills: it is doing really well. More and more people are using it.

Mayor Clark: I would be interested in knowing how many people go over the monthly pass usage.

7. Project Updates, Staff

- a. Division Transit and Development Project Update: there is a meeting coming up. The Jurisdictions can comment on station locations by Thursday. 30% design is complete.
- b. Safe Routes to School Update: Multnomah County is close to advertising the safe routes to school program coordinator position.
- c. East Metro Connections Plan Update: none
- d. ODOT Region1 ACT Update: Next meeting November 6 at 5:30 downtown.
- e. Main Streets on Halsey Street Corridor: the three cities adopted the plan, also adopted the three cities compact. The three mayors, city managers, and councilors will meet on October 23rd.
- f. RTP Update: none
- g. Multnomah County CIPP: The County's capital improvement plan and program is underway. This will be an update to all roads, non-Willamette river bridges, culverts, etc. Next month we will have an agenda item on this.

8. Other Business – All

EMCTC Bylaws update - Jessica noted that last update of the Bylaws was in 2009 – wanted to gauge interest in updating the bylaws. There are a few reason: one is that the bylaws are unclear on what an abstention vote means. Is it a no vote? Our bylaws are unclear. Another thing is that the wording of the bylaws indicate the staffing of the meeting is done by the chair, staff would like to have bylaws that make sure the County can continue to staff the meeting regardless of the Chair.

9. Next EMCTC Meeting: November 13, 2017

Meeting adjourned at 4:16 pm