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**ALBANY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
POLICY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, June 22, 2016

2:30 – 4:30 pm

Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments
Upstairs Conference Room / 1400 Queen Ave. SE, Albany

Policy Board Members Attending: Annabelle Jaramillo, Frannie Brindle, Dave Beyerl, Darrin Lane and Gary Powell

Members Absent: Roger Nyquist

Alternates Present: Georgia Edwards, and Valerie Grigg Devis

Staff Attending: Theresa Conley and Emma Chavez

Guests: Chris Bailey, Josh Wheeler, Savannah Crawford, Jerry Wolcott, Mark Siddall, and Ray Kopczinski

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	DECISION / CONCLUSION
I. Call to Order and Agenda Review	Added Benton County TSP Update to Agenda Item VIII.	The meeting was called to order at 2:32
II. Public Comment		There were no public comments.
III. Minutes of April 27, 2016 Meeting Minutes		Consensus from the Policy Board to approve the April 27, 2016 meeting minutes as written.
IV. I-5: Knox Butte and Santiam Interchanges	Region 2 Project Leader, Jerry Wolcott gave a presentation on the I-5 Knox Butte and Santiam Interchanges. The purpose of the project is to improve capacity, safety, mobility and accessibility on the I-5 corridor in the Millersburg, Albany, and North Jefferson areas. Previous work includes the Albany and Millersburg I-5 corridor refinement plans, the City of Albany and Linn County TSP's	

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	<p>and Environmental Assessments in 2009 to 2015. There was extensive public involvement through various committees, teams, public meetings, phone calls, letters, etc.</p> <p>Results of the assessment included the following three designs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I-5 Santiam Interchange design • I-5 Knox Butte Interchange design • Millersburg Interchange design <p>All three designs had either the option of auxiliary lanes or collector lanes. Auxiliary lanes have a smaller footprint with a lesser cost. However, there is more to change at the ramps in the future. Collector lane transitions are only built once but have a bigger footprint with a higher cost. The core team has decided on auxiliary lanes for the design.</p> <p>ODOT has begun some minor development and is expecting construction in 2019.</p> <p>Darrin Lane questioned if there is a focus in our area at the government level. In our region, issues are at a scale where they can still be fixed. ODOT Region Manager Frannie Brindle indicated that yes, through FAST ACT there is a focus on freight and I-5 is a freight corridor.</p> <p>Darrin Lane questioned if the City of Albany will be working on the local roadway improvements associated with these design projects ahead in conjunction with ODOT construction or ahead of time. Chris Bailey stated that some property has been purchased at Spicer Drive and Knox Butte, however; most work would need to take place in concurrence with ODOT construction.</p>	
<p>V. Transportation Improvement Program Updates</p>	<p>Staff informed the Board of an administrative amendment made to the TIP. The Corvallis to Albany Trail project for (Scenic – Springhill) was amended to add \$58,000 to the preliminary engineering phase.</p>	

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	<p>Staff also reported that although there was a carryover of STP funds from prior years, fewer STP funds were received this year than anticipated, leaving the balance \$2000 less than programmed at this time.</p> <p>The City of Jefferson project has been completed. It is the first AAMPO project to be completed.</p>	
<p>VI. ODOT / MPO / Transit Operator IGA</p>	<p>The IGA outlines the roles and responsibilities of each entity in carrying out metropolitan transportation planning processes. The IGA is updated every five year cycle. Staff briefly reviewed updates to the IGA. Noting that the only major change came from PL funding discussions.</p> <p>Members requested to review the original IGA and also see track changes. Staff will email the original IGA and changes to members. Approval of the IGA will take place at the August meeting.</p>	
<p>VII. Regional Transportation Plan Update</p>	<p>Members received a summary of public comments. This summary will continue to be updated as comments are received.</p> <p>The Board was asked to consider appointing Rob Emmons, Lebanon Engineer to the Technical Advisory Committee for the RTP process. There was consensus from the Policy board for Rob Emmons to serve as a member of the RTP TAC.</p> <p>Staff noted that AAMPO has adopted its RTP framework and will begin working with the Mosaic tool and project list with the RTP TAC at its July meeting. Staff and consultants are redefining the project list before this work. Feedback will be brought to the Policy Board at its next meeting.</p>	<p>Consensus form the Policy Board for Rob Emmons to serve as a member of the Regional Transportation Plan Technical Advisory Committee.</p>

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	<p>An additional transit analysis was conducted in April and May. Stakeholder outreach and research was conducted to assess public transportation needs in the AAMPO area with a focus in the smaller cities of Jefferson, Millersburg and Tangent. Good feedback was gathered that will go with data collected.</p>	
<p>VIII. Staff Updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <u>AAMPO FY16-17 funding agreement</u> The AAMPO Policy Board Chair, Commissioner Nyquist has signed the AAMPO Work Plan. The document is being routed for final signatures and continuation of work. ii. <u>Linn-Benton Loop governance agreement</u> OSU’s legal council declined becoming a signatory to the IGA. They do however continue to have interest in being involved and are committed to providing the same amount of funds next fiscal year as they provided the current year. Due to this, the IGA was updated and has gone for review. Staff hopes to have a final draft for approval to the Policy Board at its next meeting. The Policy Board discussed taking a July summer break and reconvening in August. All members agreed. iii. <u>DLCD Advisory Committee on Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets</u> The AAMPO Policy Board Chair, Commissioner Nyquist requested for staff, Theresa Conley to sit on the DLCD Advisory Committee. The committee is charged with reviewing greenhouse gas reduction targets. Theresa will provide updates to the Policy Board and request guidance through the process. iv. <u>TGM applications</u> 	<p>Consensus from the Policy Board to cancel the July meeting and reconvene on August 24, 2016.</p>

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	<p>Staff submitted the ADA Transition Planning application and will let members know the results of the application. The City of Jefferson submitted for a TSP update.</p> <p>v. <u>Benton County TSP Update</u> The County is working with ODOT to hire a consultant. An RFP will be going out soon. Work should begin in the Fall or early Winter. The County is also holding community events. The next one is scheduled to take place at North Albany Middle School.</p> <p>vi. <u>Hwy 34 Scenic Byway</u> Josh Wheeler has been on a panel for the Hwy 34 Scenic Byway. The byway would span from Waldport to I-5. COG staff are working on writing the plan that would ultimately get approved by the scenic byway committee. Hoping to have designation by the end of year.</p>	
<p>IX. ODOT Updates</p>	<p>Frannie Brindle introduced Savannah Crawford as her new Project Manager who will be managing the project portfolio.</p> <p>i. <u>Governor’s Transportation Vision Panel (GTVP) Report</u> Our local ACT hosted the GTVP on January 28. This was one of many meetings around the state. From these meetings, input was taken and a report put together. The final report is out. Frannie briefly reviewed the Executive summary.</p> <p>ii. <u>Joint Committee on Transportation Preservation and Modernization</u> They held their first meeting on May 25. The joint committee will be holding meetings around the state this summer to discuss needs and priorities for a transportation package in the 2017 session. In addition to public meetings, the joint committee may meet with area commission on transportation (ACT) members</p>	

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	<p>and/or take a tour of local projects. The joint committee wants to hear from local elected officials and business leaders.</p> <p>iii. <u>Oregon Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan</u> The OTC adopted the plan on May 2016. It is one of the modal plans as part of the policy package. There will be implementation of policies and strategies. There are two types of policies in the plan, those that directly impact decision making, and those that result in a newer revised product. The policies are structured to achieve the goal of the plan.</p>	
X. Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 3:55 pm.	