
AGENDA

Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

Policy Committee



Date: Tuesday, June 27, 2017

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Location: Jefferson Conference Room
 RVCOG, 155 N. 1st Street, Central Point
Transit: served by RVTD Route #40

Contact: Stephanie Thune, RVCOG: 541-423-1368
 RVMPO website: www.rvmppo.org

1	Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda	Mike Quilty, Chair
2	Public Comment Items not on the agenda <i>Comments on agenda items allowed during discussion of each item</i>	Chair
Consent Agenda		
3	Review / Approve Minutes	Chair
Attachments	#1 RVMPO Policy Committee Draft Minutes 170523 #2 RVMPO Policy Committee Special Meeting Draft Minutes 170531	
Public Hearing		
4	Re-Adoption of the RVMPO 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Amendment of the RVMPO 2017-2042 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)	Karl Welzenbach Ryan MacLaren
Background	The 2018-2021 TIP was adopted by the Policy Committee in March 2017. It now needs to be re-adopted to reconcile discrepancies between its projects and those in ODOT’s proposed 2018-2021 STIP.	

<i>Handout</i>	Draft: 2018-2021 Re-Adopted TIP <i>This will be provided as a handout at the meeting; link to document here:</i> https://www.rvmppo.org/images/policy-committee/2017/Agendas/3_Link_RVMPO_2018-21_TIP_ReAdopted.pdf	
<i>Action Requested</i>	Approve amendment of the 2017-2042 RTP and re-adoption of the 2018-2021 TIP.	
Action Items		
5	Public Advisory Council (PAC) New Member Applications	Ryan MacLaren
<i>Background</i>	James (Jim) Herndon, representing West Medford, and Robin Lee, representing the Senior interest area, have submitted new member applications for the Public Advisory Council. At their May 23 meeting, the PAC voted unanimously to recommend to the Policy Committee that both applicants be appointed to the PAC.	
<i>Attachments</i>	#3 PAC Membership Chart #4 Application for James Herndon #5 Application for Robin Lee	
<i>Action Requested</i>	Appoint new members to the PAC.	
Discussion Items		
6	Public Comment	Chair
Regular Updates		
7	RVMPO Planning Update	Karl Welzenbach
8	Other Business / Local Business Opportunity for RVMPO member jurisdictions to talk about transportation planning projects.	Chair
9	Adjournment	Chair

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- The next RVMPO Policy Committee meeting will be **Tuesday, July 25, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Jefferson Conference Room, RVCOG, Central Point.
 - The next RVMPO TAC meeting will be **Wednesday, July 12, at 1:30 p.m.** in the Jefferson Conference Room, RVCOG, Central Point.
 - The next RVMPO PAC meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 18, at 5:30 p.m.** in the Jefferson Conference Room, RVCOG, Central Point.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT RVCOG, 541-664-6674. REASONABLE ADVANCE NOTICE OF THE NEED FOR ACCOMMODATION PRIOR TO THE MEETING (48 HOURS ADVANCE NOTICE IS PREFERABLE) WILL ENABLE US TO MAKE REASONABLE ARRANGEMENTS TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY TO THIS MEETING.

**SUMMARY MINUTES
ROGUE VALLEY MPO POLICY COMMITTEE
MAY 23, 2017**



The following attended:

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Jim Lewis	Jacksonville	899-7023
Michael Zarosinski, Vice Chair	Medford	772-1909
Mike Baker for Art Anderson	ODOT	957-3658
Mike Quilty, Chair	Central Point	664-7907
Rich Rosenthal	Ashland	941-1494
Sarah Westover	Phoenix	972-0869
Tonia Moro	RVTD	973-2063
Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Karl Welzenbach	RVCOG	423-1360
Dan Moore	RVCOG	423-1361
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Stephanie Thune	RVCOG	423-1368
Interested Parties	Organization	Phone Number
Alex Georgevitch	Medford	774-2114
Brad Bennington	Jacksonville	941-0901
Kelly Madding	Medford	774-2009
Mike Faight	Ashland	488-5587
Paige Townsend	RVTD	608-2429

1. Call to Order and Roll Call / Introductions/ Review Agenda

- Chair Quilty called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.; roll was called to confirm a quorum.
- Introductions took place. Welcome to Brad Bennington, Jacksonville Councilor, who will serve as alternate for Jim Lewis.
- The agenda was approved as presented.

2. Public Comment

None voiced.

Consent Agenda:

3. Review / Approve Minutes

The Chair asked if there were any additions or corrections to the previous meeting minutes.

On a motion by Jim Lewis, seconded by Rich Rosenthal, the minutes of the April 25, 2017 meeting were approved as presented. *The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.*

Public Hearing:

4. 2017-2042 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments

The Chair read the procedure for the public hearing.

Ryan MacLaren presented eight proposed amendments to the 2015-2018 TIP; a detailed memo was provided for review. A 21-day public comment period – during which time no comments were received – was advertised on May 2 in the Medford Mail Tribune and posted on the RVMPO website.

At their May 10 meeting, the RVMPO TAC voted unanimously to recommend approval of the proposed amendments to the RVMPO Policy Committee. However, shortly before today's meeting, ODOT advised MacLaren to strike the proposal for amendment "F: OR62 Corridor Solutions Unit 2 Phase 3 (*Medford*) (KN 21015)," since the start date for that item has been delayed to the 2018-2021 TIP time frame.

Regarding proposed amendment "G," Alex Georgevitch explained that the Jackson Street and McAndrews signal upgrades comprise minor modifications (back plates with reflective tape, etc.) to the existing signal for improved functionality.

The Chair opened the discussion to public comment, both in support and in opposition.

None voiced.

The Chair closed the public testimony.

Rich Rosenthal moved to approve the 2017-2042 RVMPO RTP and 2015-2018 RVMPO TIP amendments as adjusted, with the removal of amendment "F." Mike Baker seconded.

There was no further discussion.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action Items:

5. Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFCs) Update

Dan Moore reported that ODOT is updating its freight plan and critical urban freight corridor designations since Oregon is planning to add 77 new miles to its statewide urban freight system.

Based on a formula developed with Oregon MPO input, Portland will be receiving 34.6 of the 77 miles, leaving 42.4 for the non-Metro Oregon MPOs. Table 2 in Moore's memo (provided for review) detailed the specific allocations, showing that the RVMPO will receive a 5.2 mile share. With the initial requirement to apply the CUFC miles exclusively to TIP projects, RVCOG staff worked in conjunction with ODOT to identify eligible mileage segments; these segments were then shared with the TAC at their May 10 meeting.

However, subsequent to TAC input (the committee did not agree with the idea of applying for freight funds for projects already fully-funded in the TIP), and a decision by ODOT to expand project selection criteria to RTP projects, a new allocation schedule was created (ref. Table 4, provided), accompanied by a map and project details.

With these new mileage areas from RTP projects designated and with Policy Committee approval, the RVMPO can proceed to submit the 5.2 miles to compete for project funds (\$80 million available in freight funds through the Fast Act, available in Fall 2017) for the CUFC segments. Mike Baker noted that periodic modifications to the submitted CUFC designations will be possible over time.

On a motion by Jim Lewis, seconded by Michael Zarosinski, the Policy Committee approved submittal of 5.2 miles of designated CUFC project segments to ODOT.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion Items:

6. CMAQ Project Funding Recommendation

- Consensus regarding the distribution formula continues to elude the CMAQ work groups. Another attempt will be made on June 2; if agreement is not reached, the decision will be made by the OTC.
 - Julie Brown (RVTD) and Mayor VanArsdale (Rogue River) have been strong proponents for equity and finding middle ground throughout the distribution formula discussion process.
- Per Mike Quilty, work group members were advised by the OTC Chair "not to go hunting for the meaning of federal regulations related to CMAQ eligibility."
- The RVMPO is the only MPO with alternative measure requirements related to air quality. The DEQ does not have the money or personnel to monitor/study other regions.

7. Public Comment

None voiced.

Regular Updates:

8. RVMPO Planning Update

Welzenbach reported that, although both the MRMPO and RVMPO met ODOT's deadline for 2018-2021 TIP approval, ODOT subsequently changed items in its STIP. As a result –and since the two documents' projects must match identically – ODOT is requesting that both MPOs re-adopt (not amend) their 2018-2021 TIPs to include the previously omitted STIP projects.

Since inadequate communication/coordination between ODOT and the MPOs has resulted in TIP/STIP discrepancies for the past six years, the FHWA has stated that the issue needs to be resolved, or future project funding could be affected. Welzenbach mentioned that efforts are underway and will be ongoing to overhaul the process from preparation through submittal stages.

9. Other Business / Local Business

Medford: Zarosinski shared that the 2010 Tiger Grant for the S. Stage Road overpass was ultimately unsuccessful due to a lack of identified funding sources. Medford is now attempting to create a viable funding plan prior to another grant submittal.

RVCOG: Moore reported that seismic retrofitting is the major project being considered for the Rogue Valley in the state transportation funding package.

Central Point: Chair Quilty shared the following:

- ODOT Rail has completed the paperwork allowing the Seven Oaks railroad crossing to be closed and the Twin Creeks Development crossing to be built.
- Work will begin on Pine Street in late summer/early fall to narrow lanes and widen sidewalks.
- Costco plans to be open on Table Rock and Hamrick Road by November 1.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

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ROGUE VALLEY MPO POLICY COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING: MAY 31, 2017**



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Art Anderson	ODOT	774-6353
Bob Strosser	Jackson County	774-6119
Darby Stricker	Talent	535-1566
Jim Lewis	Jacksonville	899-7023
Michael Zarosinski, Vice Chair	Medford	772-1909
Mike Quilty, Chair	Central Point	664-7907
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Robert Miller for Ruth Jenks	Eagle Point	826-4212 x105
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John Watt	JWA Public Affairs	

Julie Brown	RVTD	
Kelly Madding	Medford	774-2009
Larry Martin	RVMPO PAC Central Point	664-3778
Mike Baker	ODOT	957-3658
Mike Kuntz	Jackson County	774-6228
Mike Montero	Montero & Associates	779-0771
Ray DiPasquale	Phoenix	535-2226

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Quilty called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.; roll was called to confirm a quorum.

Action Item:

2. Identify Project Priority to Submit for the Transportation Bill

Karl Welzenbach explained that, as part of the legislation related to the transportation bill being drafted, a fund is to be created through a new taxing instrument. The funds generated by this tax are intended to help eliminate critical areas of congestion throughout the state, with the first ten years of funding – understandably – going towards fixing the critical links in the Portland Metropolitan Area. Subsequently (and possibly concurrently, depending on the final bill) some of these funds would become available to other MPO areas.

One of the working groups contributing to this legislation developed a “list of projects” to act as placeholders for these funds; the list identifies the RVMPO’s project as the “MPO Medford Seismic Triage Pilot,” with a funding estimate of \$35 million.

In light of the above, today’s special meeting was convened to form a recommendation in response to the following recent inquiry received by Welzenbach from Senator Boquist:

“If the Seismic Triage project is funded wholly through the transportation bill itself and not with these new funds, what other project would the RVMPO want to include on the list in its place?”

Art Anderson pointed out that the name “MPO Medford Seismic Triage Pilot” was a misrepresentation, since there had never been any discussion or intent of partnership/co-funding the undertaking with the MPO. Welzenbach concurred, adding that the list contained several other oddities, including the fact that the project listed for Bend was not actually located in Bend. The list’s irregularities, however, likely stemmed from the legislators’ lack of deep familiarity with each region and its projects, and were determined not to be of a nature to prohibit today’s decision-making.

To generate discussion, Welzenbach provided a staff-generated list of short-term projects across the jurisdictions with the most viable candidates highlighted. The following constraints/inquiries to narrow and define the project field were suggested:

- *Al Densmore*: Focus on a regionally significant project related to congestion/freight mobility, since this proposed concept of potential state/MPO project partnerships came from the Congestion and Freight Mobility work group of the Joint Committee.
- *John Vial/Mike Montero*: Do not limit project selection based on the – as yet unconfirmed – potential 50% contribution of the MPO towards the project(s). “Shoot for the moon” is a better approach, with a focus on high quality, regionally significant projects.
- *Mike Baker*: Does the identified project need to involve a state partnership, or could it be done in conjunction with a city or county? *Welzenbach*: Answer unknown at this point.
- *Michael Zarosinski*: Is there a certain project cost ceiling to consider during selection? *Welzenbach*: None has been indicated; the project list generated by the legislators shows a range of \$10 million to \$303 million for non-metro MPO placeholder projects.

Two projects were identified; commentary regarding the regional significance of each was as follows:

SOUTH STAGE OVERCROSSING | Sarah Westover (Phoenix), Michael Zarosinski (Medford)

- Highly significant in terms of multi-jurisdictional traffic impacts; affects Phoenix, Medford and the county.
- Meets need of potential alternative east/west freight corridor in the event of seismic damage to the viaduct and/or I-5.
- Affects urban growth boundary movements of Medford and Phoenix.

MCANDREWS TO DELTA WATERS ON FOOTHILL ROAD | Bob Strosser (Jackson County)

- This part of the east side bypass is unsafe and concern over crash counts has been present for years.
- Serves as a regional north/south corridor.
- Would keep freight out of downtowns if I-5 is inaccessible, serves as detour from I-5 in times of emergency, and removes trips from I-5 and Highway 99.
- Both Jackson County and Medford have identified the project as a high priority.
- This (potential) new funding may be the best chance at addressing the power station issue linked to this project.

The two projects were then merged into one “seismic resiliency corridor” project with a ballpark funding figure of \$80 million. It was agreed that segment prioritization could wait until funding actually materialized. The committee also indicated support of funding for ODOT’s I-5 climbing lanes; although they fall outside the MPO boundary, they enhance Southern Oregon’s economy by improving the ability of manufacturers and freight haulers to move goods through the region.

Michael Zarosinski moved to have the RVMPO Policy Committee recommend the following projects to the legislature for the transportation bill currently under construction: (*Priority*) The South Stage Overcrossing/N. Phoenix Road/Foothill Road Alternative Freight and Seismic Resiliency Corridor; (*Secondary*) I-5 climbing lanes. Jim Lewis seconded.

Darby Stricker commented that design and prioritization details would be helpful over time to share with the various jurisdictions. Zarosinski concurred, especially in light of the fact that some sections of the identified projects are already funded, whereas others are not.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion Item:**(Not on Agenda): CMAQ Update**

While all MPOs are facing cuts in CMAQ funds, the two smallest MPOs (RVMPO and MRMPPO) are facing the biggest ones, while Portland's will be smallest. The range scenarios are as follows:

MPO	Worst % Cut	Best % Cut	Potential Funding Increase
RVMPO	75%	31%	n/a
MRMPPO	88%	18%	n/a
Portland	19%	n/a	11%

The feds are remaining silent regarding the interpretation of the CMAQ regulations, which seem to state that, while Portland would remain eligible to receive CMAQ funds even after reaching attainment effective October 1, 2017, the funds could not be spent.

Julie Brown noted that, because population is a factor in the formula design, all the MPOs face deeper cuts than Portland. The one bright spot as the work group negotiations struggle on seems to be that, in the end, Portland cannot capture the consensus vote: they have only two voting members, while the other four MPOs have three each.

In the event that a more equitable distribution method – and very solid recommendation to the OTC – cannot be decided upon at the upcoming June 2 work group meeting, the following recommendations regarding potential next steps were offered:

- *Tonia Moro*: Refuse to sign an agreement, or abstain from voting.
 - *Comments*: While such actions would formalize the MPO's disagreement with the distribution formula, it would not likely effect any change in the outcome. Ultimately, the state can choose to allocate the funds as they wish, retaining 100% of them, or distributing them among the MPOs.
- *Karl Welzenbach*: Lobby OTC's Paula Brown and/or ask Congressman Walden to write a letter requesting the feds to render an interpretation of the regulations. This approach could backfire, however; the feds could interpret in favor of Portland.
- *Art Anderson*: Begin considering how this deep funding cut could best be leveraged in the MPO's favor down the road.

Regular Updates:**3. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:31 p.m.

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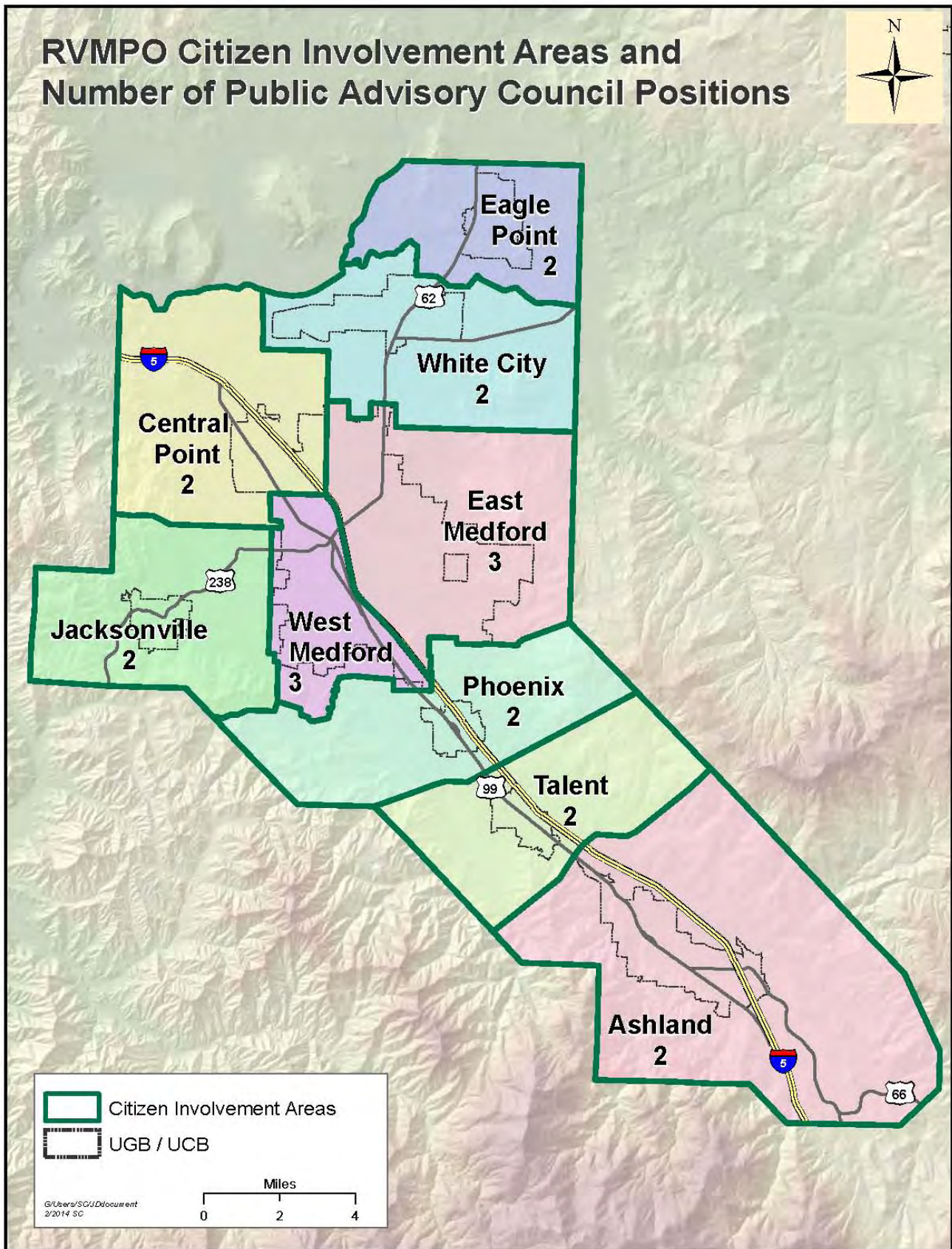
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Public Advisory Council Membership March 2017

Citizen Involvement Area	# PAC Positions	Appointee
Ashland	2	1) Mary Wooding (Jan 2017-Jan 2019) 2) Jason Darrow (March 2016-March 2018)
Central Point	2	1) Larry Martin (March 2017 –March 2019) 2)
Eagle Point	2	1) Aaron Prunty (Jan 2017-Jan 2019) 2) Mike Stanek (Feb 2017-Feb 2019)
Jacksonville	2	1) Ron Holthusen (Jan 2017-Jan 2019) 2)
Medford	6	
East Medford	3	1) Glen Anderson (Feb 2017-Feb 2019) 2) Brad Inman (Dec 2015-Dec 2017) 3) Mark Earnest (Feb 2017-Feb 2019)
West Medford	3	1) 2) 3)
Phoenix	2	1) 2)
Talent	2	1) Thad Keays (Feb 2017-Feb 2019) 2)
White City	2	1) 2)

Special Interest Positions	# PAC Positions	Appointee
Bicycle / Pedestrian Interest	1	Edgar Hee (Feb 2017-Feb 2019)
Freight Industry	1	Mike Montero (Feb 2017-Feb 2019)
Low Income Community Interest	1	
Mass Transit	1	Patrick McKechnie (June 2016-June 2018)
Minority Community Interest	1	
Public Health	1	Michael Polich (March 2016-March 2018)
Senior	1	



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	Appointed:	Yes No
	Appointment Date:	_____
	Term Ended Date:	_____

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Please indicate below the Geographic Area, or special interest that you would represent. Select only one from the following list, section (A) or (B) below.

A. Geographic Area (see *Citizen Involvement Area map on the last page*):

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- B. Special Interest Area:** ☒ Freight industry ☒ Mass Transit ☒ Minority
- ☒ Low Income Citizens ☒ Senior Citizens ☐ Bicycle/Pedestrian
- ☐ Public Health

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POLICY STATEMENTS REGARDING CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS

- The council consists of representatives from Citizen Involvement Areas within the RVMPO and special interests. There are nine Citizen Involvement Areas with at least two members possible from each area, representing a population of up to 25,000. An additional position is created when an area exceeds 25,000 in population. The council may have as many as six at-large members, one each representing the following: freight industry, mass transit, minority citizens, low income citizens, senior citizens, public health, and bicycle/pedestrian.
- Members of the council must reside, own property, or operate a business within the Citizen Involvement Area that they represent.
- Public Advisory Council members will be approved by the RVMPO Policy Committee.
- Vacancies on the PAC shall be publicly announced. Potential members shall submit a statement of interest. When more than one person applies for a position, selection shall be based on maintaining a broad cross section of interests on the council. If no one responds to the public announcement, staff and PAC members may solicit to groups or individuals to fill membership vacancies.
- Selection of council members shall be conducted through RVMPO's established application process, meeting the nondiscrimination requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 12898.
- The term of office shall begin the day the member is appointed to the council and shall continue for two years, except that such term of office shall terminate immediately upon:
 - a. Relocation outside the RVMPO, or the Citizen Involvement Area that the member represents; and
 - b. Unexcused absence from three regularly scheduled, consecutive meetings.

Please Note: These policy statements are from Public Advisory Council bylaws.

Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization map attached. Boundaries of Citizen Involvement Areas are illustrated. Medford has two Citizen Involvement Areas divided by Interstate 5.

For more information call: Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization, Rogue Valley Council of Governments, 514.423.1360

1. What experience, interest, knowledge or qualifications would you bring to the Public Advisory Council?

As a former small business owner of a trucking company, I have several years working in the freight industry, dealing with the various sides of the business which would be of value to the Public Advisory Council. I was a law enforcement officer, in both local and federal positions for approximately 20 years. I will bring my experience in dealing with the public in official capacity to the Council. I was a civilian contractor to the Department of Defense in Iraq for almost five years and worked in the Washington, DC area for approximately three years. I was a supervisor of intelligence personnel both in Iraq and the United States. This provided me with understanding of how to deal with political questions and politicians. I am presently the Vice-President of Southern Oregon Veterans Benefit which assists veterans in the area of education and employment by helping with items their various benefits do not supply, such as, providing assistance for fuel until the veteran obtains their first pay check or providing assistance through RVTD bus passes to get to classes or medical appointments at the White City VA.

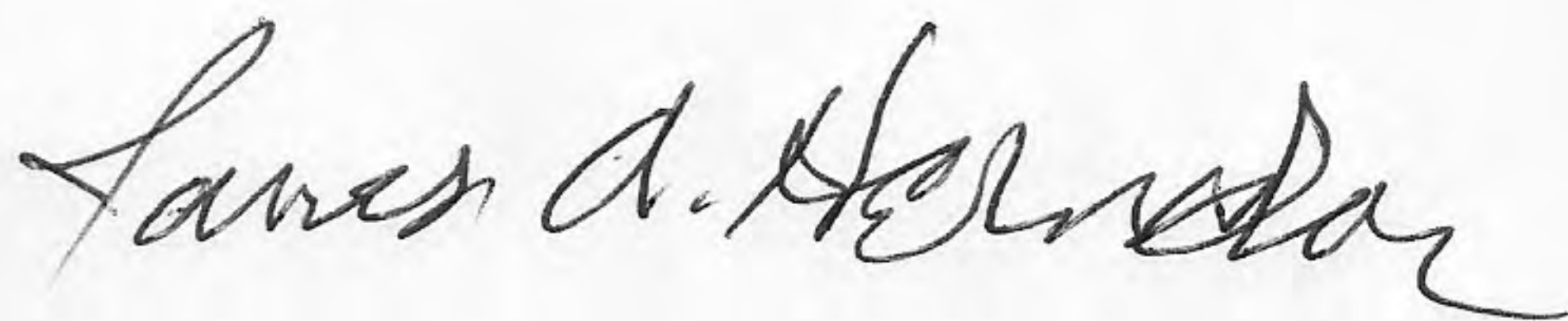
I am, also, a member of the Medford Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee.

2. Why do you want to become a member of the Public Advisory Council?

As a member of the Public Advisory Council the position will provide me with the prospect of participating, assisting, and possibly providing a positive direction of the for our community in to the 21st century.

This position will, also, present an opening to take part in the continuing development and maintenance on the Rogue Valley Regional Transportation Plan by cooperation in the process of the various local governments. This position will also offer the chance to participate in the approval of the comprehensive transportation planning activities of the various agencies in the valley. It is the chance to assist in the 4-year development program for the highways and transit improvements.

Signature:



Date:

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Thank You!

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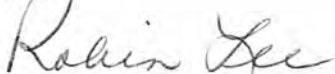
As many retirees also express I wish to, and feel I have a lot to, give back to the community in which I live. After I left my primary career (Insurance adjuster - personal lines) I worked for another thirteen years at Asante's Corporate Office, where I often encountered seniors who needed a little help. The position was part-time, which allowed me to do a number of volunteer things. Throughout my lifetime, I have learned to listen and emphasize; to discuss evaluate, and represent various points of view, especially in bringing parties with different issues together to resolve their needs. I've sat on a few boards, and been in numerous meetings where needs and expectations clash. I will bring experience in mediating, and can usually do so while keeping folks calm.

By way of additional information, I have lived in the Valley almost 29 years.

2. Why do you want to become a member of the Public Advisory Council?

I attended a meeting the 8-31-16 Legislative Transportation Hearing, where I heard divergent viewpoints but what was clearly evident is that Jackson County's transportation system is a matter of county-wide concern. Users need safe, efficient transportation systems and roads. There are several priorities and demands for funding, etc., that obviously compete for funding and timing. I am a very logical thinker. I express my ideas clearly (most of the time). I believe I will be an asset and a team player. I would like to add, and do, what I can to help as many of those as is possible to get their transportation needs met with (or within) the resources available in the Rogue Valley.

Signature:



Date:

5.4.17

Thank You!

POLICY STATEMENTS REGARDING CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS

- The council consists of representatives from Citizen Involvement Areas within the RVMPO and special interests. There are nine Citizen Involvement Areas with at least two members possible from each area, representing a population of up to 25,000. An additional position is created when an area exceeds 25,000 in population. The council may have as many as six at-large members, one each representing the following: freight industry, mass transit, minority citizens, low income citizens, senior citizens, public health, and bicycle/pedestrian.
- Members of the council must reside, own property, or operate a business within the Citizen Involvement Area that they represent.
- Public Advisory Council members will be approved by the RVMPO Policy Committee.
- Vacancies on the PAC shall be publicly announced. Potential members shall submit a statement of interest. When more than one person applies for a position, selection shall be based on maintaining a broad cross section of interests on the council. If no one responds to the public announcement, staff and PAC members may solicit to groups or individuals to fill membership vacancies.
- Selection of council members shall be conducted through RVMPO's established application process, meeting the nondiscrimination requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 12898.
- The term of office shall begin the day the member is appointed to the council and shall continue for two years, except that such term of office shall terminate immediately upon:
 - a. Relocation outside the RVMPO, or the Citizen Involvement Area that the member represents; and
 - b. Unexcused absence from three regularly scheduled, consecutive meetings.

Please Note: These policy statements are from Public Advisory Council bylaws.

Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization map attached. Boundaries of Citizen Involvement Areas are illustrated. Medford has two Citizen Involvement Areas divided by Interstate 5.

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