

**SUMMARY MINUTES
ROGUE VALLEY MPO POLICY COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 28, 2017**



The following attended:

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Bob Strosser	Jackson County	774-6119
Chris Luz for Sarah Westover	Phoenix	261-3139
Jim Lewis	Jacksonville	899-7023
John Harrison for Darby Stricker	Talent	535-1566
Mike Quilty, Chair	Central Point	664-7907
Rich Rosenthal	Ashland	941-1494
Ruth Jenks	Eagle Point	941-8537
Tonia Moro	RVTD	973-2063
Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Karl Welzenbach	RVCOG	423-1360
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1338
Stephanie Thune	RVCOG	423-1368
Interested Parties	Organization	Phone Number
Al Densmore	JWA Public Affairs	601-0704
Alex Georgevitch	Medford	774-2114
Julie Brown	RVTD	608-2413
Mike Kuntz	Jackson County	774-6228
Mike Montero	Montero & Associates	779-0771
Paige West	RVTD	608-2429

Scott Fleury	Ashland	552-2412
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1. Call to Order / Introductions/ Review Agenda 00:00 – 01:18

2:03 | *Quorum*: Six jurisdictions required; eight present

2. Public Comment 01:19 – 01:34

Consent Agenda

3. Review / Approve Minutes 01:35 – 02:10

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

01:50 | Jim Lewis moved to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2017 meeting as presented. Bob Strosser seconded.

There was no further discussion.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Public Hearing

4. 2017-2042 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments 02:11 – 07:39

The Chair read the procedure for the public hearing.

Regarding the 2018-2021 TIP and 2017-2042 RTP, Ryan MacLaren reported that:

- Five new projects (A-E) were being added to the TIP only (not the RTP), with all additions except Project B (which is for the protective purchase of undeveloped right-of-way land for sale) being due to the passing of HB-2017; and
- Two projects (F-G) were being removed from both the TIP and the RTP.

Details of all projects were included in the agenda packet for review and are available online at www.rvmopo.org. Clarification was made that funds related to all amendments belong to ODOT and are not under the MPO's purview.

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

None voiced.

The Chair closed the public testimony.

06:57 | Jim Lewis moved to approve the amendments to the 2017-2042 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) as presented. Rich Rosenthal seconded.

There was no further discussion.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion Items

5. Public Comment 07:40 – 07:55

Regular Updates

6. RVMPO Planning Update 07:56 – 15:51

- *Alternative Measures* | The final report for Alternative Measures is essentially prepared, but its approval/submittal is being tabled pending a potential decision by DLCDC to amend the TPRs in order to transfer Alternative Measures authority to the cities and counties instead of the MPO. The MPO is seeking to extend the Alternative Measures contract with ODOT until the outcome of DLCDC's deliberation is known.
- *Performance Measures* | The Safety Performance Measure is being discussed at the TAC, with recommendations on hold pending clarification from ODOT regarding their data sources and calculation methods. Some additional information should be available for the December 14 special meeting of the Policy Committee, with adoption of the measure hoped for in January.
- *CMAQ Fund Balances* | No new information; the balances for both MPOs remain unclear.
- *RVMPO Active Project Update* | This will be provided quarterly to the Policy Committee in a memo which captures the current status of each project based on the TAC's monthly updates.

7. Other Business / Local Business 15:52 – 44:09

- *Alternative Measure 7: Alternative Transportation Funding* | Bob Strosser initiated discussion on behalf of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners regarding this measure, which allocates 50% of the MPO's STBG funds to RVTDC, in order to raise the possibility of reconsidering this standing allocation of funds to public transit. Tonia Moro encouraged tabling further discussion and decision-making on the issue until the DLCDC Alternative Measures deliberations conclude, possibly in May or June 2018 (reference above discussion in the "RVMPO Planning Update"). Julie Brown stated that, in the interim, RVTDC would be happy to provide an accounting of how the funds have been used over the years, if Policy Committee members so desired. Paige West encouraged the MPO – whenever discussion on the issue resumes – to honor the commitment of the funds to RVTDC for the 2018 – 2021 TIP cycle, since that allocation of the Alternative Measure 7 funds has already been approved. Chair Quilty reminded the committee that any Alternative Measure 7 funds diverted from RVTDC would need to remain committed to alternative transportation projects such as enhancing ride share, or adding bike lanes/sidewalks; the funds could not go into roadway projects adding capacity, adding turn lanes, etc.
 - There was consensus regarding the wisdom of tabling the issue until better information was available from DLCDC; Bob Strosser agreed with the decision and will update the Board of Commissioners with the logic and outcome of today's discussion.
 - Ruth Jenks requested that the RVMPO PAC be kept abreast of discussions related to the Alternative Measures.
- *Retirement Celebration for Bern Case (RVI Airport Administrator) on November 29.*
- *Paige West (RVTDC) Honored with Nationwide Award for Work in Public Transit Planning.*
- *Special Meeting of RVMPO Policy Committee: December 14 at 10:00 a.m.; a quorum is required.*

8. Adjournment 44:10 – 44:24

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Scheduled Meetings:

RVMPO TAC | Wednesday, December 13 @ 1:30 pm

RVMPO Policy Committee **Special Meeting | Thursday, December 14 @ 10:00 am**

RVMPO Policy Committee | Tuesday, January 23 @ 2:00 pm

RVMPO PAC | Tuesday, January 16 @ 5:30 pm