

**Summary Minutes
Rogue Valley MPO Public Advisory Council
January 19, 2016**



The following attended:

MPO Public Advisory Council

Aaron Prunty, Chairman	Eagle Point	864-9868
Brad Inman	East Medford	734-5409
Glen Anderson	East Medford	770-6577
Justin Hurley	Central Point	602-4719
Kay Harrison	Central Point	664-1066
Mary Wooding	Ashland	482-1066
Mark Earnest	East Medford	899-8080
Michael Stanek	Eagle Point	821-1804
Mike Montero	Freight Industry	779-0771

Staff

Dan Moore	RVCOG	423-1361
Sue Casavan	RVCOG	423-1360

Others Present

None

1. Call to Order/Introductions/Review

Aaron Prunty called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members present introduced themselves.

2. Review/Approve Minutes

The Chairman asked if there were any changes or additions to the November meeting minutes.

On a motion by Kay Harrison and seconded by Mary Wooding the Council unanimously approved the minutes as presented.

3. Public Comment -

None received.

4. Elect Chair and Vice Chair

Mike Montero nominated Justin Hurley for Chair, seconded by Kay Harrison. Hurley nominated Mike Montero for Chair, seconded by Michael Stanek. Prunty asked for a show of hands for each nominee.

Justin Hurley – 5

Mike Montero – 3

Justin Hurley was unanimously elected Chair of the RVMPO Public Advisory Council.

Harrison nominated Mike Montero for Vice Chair, seconded by Edgar Hee.

Mike Montero was unanimously elected Vice Chair of the RVMPO Public Advisory Council.

5. Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Goals and Policies

Dan Moore reviewed the recommended committee changes to the Goals and Policies.

Montero asked how pedestrian and bicycle use could be measured in the Performance Indicators and Moore responded that there were several ways, one of which is actually counting the users.

In 3-6, Brad Inman asked what the definition of community was. He commented that he was confused by the wording but not the intent. Edgar Hee added that historical value was subjective according to personal values. Harrison felt it was command verbiage and maybe it should be 'identify and look at significance of historical value'. Hurley suggested changing the words to 'identify and consider', take out incorporate. Montero acknowledged that it was subjective but also puts the obligation to consider as making some commitment not to overlook it.

Moore informed the council that TAC members recommended that all Potential Actions have an action verb.

Hee suggested looking at ways to offset parking to encourage transit and bike/ped use. Montero noted that parking measures will require flexibility for local governments to balance needs.

Harrison added that businesses will have different bike facilities dependent on whether they attract cyclists and balance will need to be considered.

Members briefly discussed policies that might fit this region. Policies used in urban areas are hard to transfer to this region. Members agreed it will take more time to reach the area.

On a motion by Glen Anderson and seconded by Aaron Prunty the committee unanimously forwarded recommendation to the Policy Committee to approve the RTP Goals and Policies with consideration of PAC comments.

6. MPO Planning Update –

Moore gave a brief presentation on Strategic Assessment. ODOT and DLCD will be giving a presentation to the council, tentatively planned for February. He noted that the overall goal of the assessment is to assist in reducing greenhouse gas emissions. He emphasized that recommendations developed from the assessment are voluntary. Montero asked if funding will be provided for maintenance of the model and Moore indicated that ODOT will maintain the model and train local staff.

7. Other Business -

None received.

8. Public Comment -

None received.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Prunty at 6:45 p.m.