



## SUMMARY MINUTES

*Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Technical Advisory Committee*

**November 12, 2014**

*The following people were in attendance:*

### **RVMPO Technical Advisory Committee**

*Voting Members in Attendance:*

Alex Georgevitch	City of Medford
Ian Foster	City of Jacksonville
Jon Sullivan	RVTD
Josh Le Bombard	DLCD
Kelli Sparkman	ODOT
Kelly Madding	Jackson County
Kevin Caldwell	City of Phoenix
Matt Brinkley	City of Phoenix
Matt Samitore	City of Central Point
Mike Kuntz	Jackson County
Mike Upston	Eagle Point
Paige Townsend	RVTD
Tom Humphrey	City of Central Point

*Others Present:*

Mike Montero, Jenna Stanke, Ian Horlacher, Julie Brown, Tanner Berklund (Crater HS intern)

### **RVCOG Staff**

Jonathan David, Dan Moore, Andrea Napoli, Bunny Lincoln, Sue Casavan

#### **1. Call to Order / Introductions -**

Chairman Mike Kuntz called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. Those present introduced themselves.

#### **2. Review / Approve Minutes -**

Chairman Kuntz asked committee members if there were any additions or corrections to the October meeting minutes.

**On a motion by Alex Georgevitch, seconded by Tom Humphrey, the minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote, as presented. Ian Horlacher abstained.**

#### **3. Public Comment**

No public comment was forthcoming.

#### **4. Alternative Measure #7 – Supplemental Transit Funding**

Paige Townsend presented information on Alternative Measure #7 related to transit finding in a

Power Point format:

- **RTP compliance with TPR – Slide #1.** Seven measures of reduced automobile usage are proposed as an alternative to the TPR's per capita VMT reduction measure
- **RVTD STP Funding Priorities – Slide #2.** Central Point will increase Rt. 40 service to 30-minute headways and provide service to the TOD when feasible. Medford will serve the SE Plan Area (TOD) when feasible. Phoenix will improve transit stops and explore improvements to the Hwy 99 (Main Street) pedestrian crossing to a northbound transit stop. Jackson County will increase transit service to White City.
- **STP Funds offset General Funds – Slide #3.** Funds are used for ongoing preventative maintenance and capitalization of maintenance projects.
- **FTA Basic Requirement –Slide #4.** RVTD is in compliance by providing regular vehicle as suggested by the manufacturer. maintenance
- **Facility Photos –** A verbal overview of RVTD facilities was presented with the Power Point photos.
- **Bus Stops –** A selection of bus stop photos was shown to the Committee.
- **Project History & STP Fund Expenditures, 2002 – present – Slide #5.** A list of fifteen (15) funding expenditures between 2002 and 2012 was shown.
- **Future Projects & Preventative Maintenance – Slide #6.** Future Projects (to 2019) include preventative maintenance, vehicle replacement and fare box replacement.
- **Securing Alternate Funding by 2020 (2014 Levy Failure) – Slide #7.**
- **Funding Graph (RVTD Estimated Annual Resources @ \$7.64M) – Slide #7.**  
(Urban renewal reduces \$\$\$)
- **What is \$850,000 (STP funding) to RVTD? – Slide #8.** Benefits of this amount would offset preventative fleet maintenance otherwise coming from general funds or operating grant, allows vehicle replacement on a regular schedule, permits completion of special projects (Example: CNG station), and represents 145,930 service miles/year (18% Of total system miles).

Members held a brief discussion on the ballot tax levy failure, encouraging RVTD staff not to give up trying for the levy in the future. Revenues from advertising on busses was also mentioned. Mike Upston said that recent property tax increases may also have influenced the Eagle Point negative vote.

The origin of the requirement for creating Alternative Measures was also briefly discussed by the Committee.

The Measure #7 presentation will also be made to the Policy Committee at some point after the SA analysis.

Based upon group discussion, it was agreed that VMT reductions need to be reviewed at a future meeting.

Julie Brown addressed the Committee regarding RVTD funding to 2020, the importance of continued transit service, and an open, ongoing dialog on the regional significance of RVTD (including an accurate TPAU model). Ms. Brown further said it was imperative that RVTD know whether future STP transit funding cuts might be considered by the TAC at some point. Ian Horlacher assured Ms. Brown that no one, including ODOT, was advocating transit reductions, but that funding is tight on all fronts. Mike Montero reiterated that these issues are also present in all

walks of life, and that there must be an understanding by both the public and private sectors on this matter.

**5. MPO Planning Update –**

Jonathan David stated that Staff is moving forward with creation of the RTP for the MRMPO. The Strategic Assessment is on the back burner right now.

**6. Public Comments – None.**

**7. Other Business / Local Business**

**8. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.