



SUMMARY MINUTES
Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee

October 14, 2015

The following people were in attendance:

RVMPO Technical Advisory Committee

Voting Members in Attendance:

Alex Georgevitch	City of Medford
Ian Horlacher	ODOT
Jon Sullivan, Vice Chairman	RVTD
Josh LeBombard	DLCD
Nick Fortney	FHWA
Kelly Madding	Jackson County
Mike Kuntz, Chairman	Jackson County
Robert Miller by phone	City of Eagle Point
Edem Gomez for Paige Townsend	RVTD
Tom Humphrey	City of Central Point

Others Present:

Mike Montero	
Cody Meyer	DLCD
Scott Tournoy	ODOT
Tara Weidner	ODOT

RVCOG Staff

Dan Moore, Andrea Napoli, Ryan MacLaren, Bunny Lincoln, Dick Converse

1. Call to Order / Introductions

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m. Those present introduced themselves.

2. Review / Approve Minutes

Chairman Kuntz asked committee members if there were any additions or corrections to the previous meeting minutes. Josh Le Bombard called out a typing error in the minutes (Item #6 “date” changed to “data”), and it was implemented by the Recorder.

On a motion by Tom Humphrey, seconded by Kelly Madding, the minutes were approved by voice vote. Alex Georgevitch abstained.

3. Public Comment

No public comment was forthcoming.

Action Item:

4. Regional Plan/Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment

Ryan MacLaren presented his October 5th memo on proposed RTP/Tip amendments. The TAC is being asked to make recommendations to the Policy Committee on the proposed RTP/TIP amendments described below. The Policy Committee will hold a public hearing at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2015 to consider adoption of the proposed TIP and RTP amendments. (The 21-day public comment period and public hearing has been advertised in the Medford Tribune, and information is currently available on the RVMPO website. The 21-day public comment period and public hearing will be advertised in November in the Medford Tribune, and information will be available on the RVMPO website. Information on the new project(s) is enumerated, below:

A. Add New Project to RTP & TIP: Interstate 5: Medford Viaduct Deck Overlay Project

Description: The Interstate 5, Medford Viaduct, Mile Point 28.66, Bridge 08332, the deck is in “Fair” condition. This project will include surface preparation of the deck to address areas that are delaminating. Once repairs are in place, an epoxy overlay will be placed on the entire deck. This will help to improve the ride, decrease impact loading, and preserve the bearings. Federal funding will total \$1,480,545. Required match is \$169,455. Project total is \$1,650,000.

B. Add New Project to RTP & TIP: Region 3 ADA Improvement Projects

Description: This project will provide funds directly to the City of Ashland and the City of Phoenix to address ADA ramp improvements for the two cities. The projects total \$133,350. The funding was a direct, statewide, allocation to the cities. State ADA funds were used. \$44,850 is for Phoenix, \$88,500 is for Ashland. Staff will bring back information regarding the program and application criteria to a future meeting. Members briefly discussed ADA compliance issues.

On a motion by Alex Georgevitch, seconded by Tom Humphrey, the Regional Plan/Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments were recommended to the Policy Committee for approval by unanimous voice vote.

Presentation Item:

5. Strategic Assessment Presentation

ODOT and DLCDC representatives presented a Power Point on the Regional Strategic Planning Model (RSPM) outputs for the RVMPO area adopted plans.

Review of Work to Date - Inputs, takeaways

- Planning tool/process - Informs other planning activities, coordinated agency efforts, uses RSPM, testing difference policy choices/potential outcomes
- RSPM Inputs – Regional context, Local actions, Collaborative actions
- RSPM Outputs – Household travel costs, transportation/energy costs, air quality, mixed use development
- Maps – Study Area (10 RPS Zones)
- Adopted Plans Model Run Chronology
- Survey Response Summary – Interest in PSU population forecasts, expectation of a higher share of alternative fuel vehicles
- Use Clean Cities Coalition for CNG commercial fleet use
- Ashland utility rates

- Medford dwelling unit ratios

Financially Constrained Adopted Plans Results

- **Land Uses** - Urbanized areas (acres), Mixed use residential living, housing type (SF:MF)
- It was pointed out that Urban Reserves were based on a 50 year designation. VMTs are tough to project.
- **Populations Living in Mixed Use areas** - 2010 & 2038 Maps
- **Mobility (per capita)** - Daily VMT per capita, annual walk trips, daily bike miles, transit service miles
- **Economy (annual)** - Household vehicle ownership costs, household vehicle operating costs, all vehicle delay per capita (hours)
- **Daily VMT per capita** - 2010 & 2038 Maps
- **Energy** - Average all vehicle fuel efficiency (mpg), annual all vehicle fuel consumption per capita (gallons), annual external social costs per household (unpaid) **NOTE:** External costs go beyond households.
- **Environment** - Annual greenhouse gas emissions per capita, Commercial GHG /mile, Clean Air Act criteria pollutants (million kg per day), GHG reductions per capita from implementation of adopted plans and ambitious State led actions (19% target)

Sensitivity Testing

- Are plans reaching community goals?
- What more ambitious plans are effective in meeting goals?
- How resilient are alternative paths?

Local Policies

- Menu of options for local/regional policies to support achievement of regional objectives
- Opportunity to share ideas on existing local policies – Dan Moore shared the mechanics of the Tool Kit. Individual jurisdictions can study the various local policies in order to consider potential plan revisions to facilitate reaching various goals (public transit, single occupancy vehicles, demand management, etc.)
- A web site will also be available to facilitate input/comments

Next Steps

- TAC feedback
- TAC input – Draft Report
- Draft Final Report
- Report to Policy Committee
- RSPM incorporated into next RTP update

Product

- Strategic Assessment Report
- Local Policy Tool Kit
- Interactive, web-based scenario viewer

Agency representatives will create a summary/tool kit expectations for the jurisdictions not present at the TAC meeting. Staff will collaborate with presenting agencies on this situation. Policy Committee presentation is expected in January. An interim check in with the TAC at the November meeting may be held. PAC members will be included in the presentations.

NOTE: Full, 50 year, URA development is not assumed in the analysis. Only a percentage of development will occur in the 2010-2038 analysis period. Medford's Comp Plan only goes to 2023. RTPs also have different time frames. Members expressed concern about ongoing UGB expansions and the accuracy of the model outputs, based on future development assumptions and sensitivity testing. The concern was finding the simplest method to verify the analysis results. Medford and Central Point have the most changes in the pipeline.

Information Item:

6. RVACT/RVMPO Coordination Policy Revisions

Dan Moore presented the proposed revisions to the existing Coordination Policy. The Commission wants to implement a Chair/Vice Chair scenario. The RVMPO Policy Committees will make the decision on this matter. The proposed makeup of the subcommittee includes:

- The sitting chairperson of the RVMPO Policy Committee
- The sitting Chairperson of the RVACT
- The sitting vice chairperson of the RVMPO Policy Committee
- An RVMPO Policy Committee member selected by the RVMPO
- The ODOT Area Manager

The TAC had no comments on this matter.

7. MPO Planning Update

- Staff will send out a poll to determine if/when a November TAC meeting will be held.
- The RTP update is in progress, with a TAC presentation expected after November.
- The modeling update for the RTP needs input from the various member jurisdictions.
- TAZ data and spreadsheets will be sent out in November-December.
- The ITS update has been given notice to proceed by ODOT. TAC members will be contacted for potential participation.
- Staff continues to work Transportation Needs Assessment.

8. Public Comment. None were received.

9. Other Business / Local Business

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

The next RVMPO Policy Committee meeting will be held on Oct. 27th at 2:00 p.m.

The next RVMPO PAC will be held on Nov. 17th at 5:30 p.m.