



**SUMMARY MINUTES**  
*Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization*  
*Technical Advisory Committee*

**June 10, 2015**

*The following people were in attendance:*

**RVMPO Technical Advisory Committee**

*Voting Members in Attendance:*

Alex Georgevitch	City of Medford
Ian Horlacher (by phone)	ODOT
Joe Slaughter for John Adam	City of Medford
Jon Sullivan, Vice Chairman	RVTD
Josh LeBombard	DLCD
Kelly Madding	Jackson County
Matt Brinkley	City of Phoenix
James Philip for Mike Kuntz	Jackson County
Mike Upston	City of Eagle Point
Paige Townsend	RVTD
Tom Humphrey	City of Central Point

*Others Present:*

**RVCOG Staff**

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

**1. Call to Order / Introductions**

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

**2. Review / Approve Minutes**

Vice Chairman Sullivan asked committee members if there were any additions or corrections to the May meeting minutes.

**On a motion by Ian Horlacher, seconded by Mike Upston, the minutes were unanimously approved by voice vote.**

**3. Public Comment**

No public comment was forthcoming.

**Action Item:**

**4.**

Andrea Napoli and Page Townsend summarized the proposed amendment to add RVTD's Drive Less Connect Outreach Program. The program is designed to promote available transportation alternatives to the single occupant vehicle. The Safe Routes to School outreach component is gone, and some of this funding will be used to continue that program as well. FFY 2015 Transportation Options funding will be used, for a total of \$143,765 (\$129,000 Federal, and \$14,765 in matching RVTD funds). Jurisdictions need to coordinate future bike/ped events with RVTD.

**On a motion by Alex Georgevitch, seconded by Tom Humphrey, the Regional Plan/Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment (Transportation Options Funding, FFY 2015) was recommended to the Policy Committee for approval by unanimous voice vote.**

**5. Talent Regional Problem Solving (RPS) Growth Areas**

Dick Converse gave a combined presentation on the Talent RPS Growth Areas and the Concept Plan process. He asked for Committee input on the May 14, 2015 memo and the Memo/Letter of Recommendation that will go to the Policy Committee for its signature. The most significant item in the memo is in the last paragraph, referencing compliance with Performance Indicator 2.6, as well as 2.7 and 2.8.

Ian Horlacher requested more time to complete ODOT's comments. The preferred alternative will be an end result of the work. A new owner in TA 5 has issues with road alignment. and is very interested in mixed use residential.

The Committee was comfortable with the draft Letter of Recommendation format, which indicate required regional collaboration, and that the plans do not have a negative impact on the transportation system. Brief comments were made on the need for commercial development as part of mixed use residential, the conceptual street system in TA-5, densities and employment.

The letter will be returned to the TAC for further review. The need for specificity with regard to the various Performance Indicator sections was stressed. Josh LeBombard was concerned with the 2<sup>nd</sup> to last paragraph. Section 2.8.4 references "encouraging" mixed use development, rather than mandating it. The benefit of consistent concept formatting was mentioned. Preferred alternatives have not been chosen yet by Talent.

The memo will go to the Policy Committee this month.

Medford's letter has not been drafted yet. The Committee discussed on Medford's "All at Once" presentation approach. The Medford Concept Plan is considered to be a guide as the various URAs are brought into the City incrementally over the coming years. Kelly Madding wondered how predictions could be made for development as far as 30 years in the future. Joe Slaughter said that the entire plan for Medford would meet the approved regional land use distribution requirements.

Performance Indicators will be addressed during periodic reviews.

Dick Converse felt that the official Performance Indicator Compliance Letter should be drafted after Medford's presentation to Policy Committee. Due to the sequencing of Medford's presentations, the recommendations will not come back to the TAC. Mr. Slaughter said that Medford was comfortable

with moving forward on all the work that they have done to this point.

Converse said that the extension is good for the TSP work being done on Talent's TSP.

***Discussion/Update Item:***

**6. Regional Problem solving (RPS) Concept Plan Process**

Dick Converse brought the modified RPS Concept Plan Process memo back to the Committee to outline the requested changes as well as the input received from Kelly Madding and Josh Le Bombard. Revisions to the May 14th memo include the following text additions:

- ❖ Section 2.7 – (2<sup>nd</sup> sentence) “A Conceptual Transportation Plan for a URA or appropriate portion of a URA shall be prepared by the City **in collaboration with the Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization**, applicable irrigation districts, Jackson County, and other affected agencies...”
- ❖ Section 2.8 – (1<sup>st</sup> sentence) “A proposal for a UGB Amendment into a designated URA shall include a Conceptual Land Use Plan shall be prepared by the City **in collaboration with the Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization**, applicable irrigation districts, Jackson County, and other affected agencies...”

**7. MPO Planning Update**

- Strategic Assessment is moving forward as planned. ODOT finalizing the Strategic Planning Model. Mike Upston said that EP had never been contacted to provide input. The agreement with ODOT was designed to minimize jurisdictional staff time. COG staff felt good feedback had been received. RVTD did lot of work. Paige Townsend (RVTD) said that there were some potential density/mixed use problems with the Place Type Maps, and that those need to be thoroughly reviewed in the future for accuracy. Josh LeBombard commented it was important to look at more than one data source for acreage, population and employment. The benchmarks are coming up soon. Dan Moore will send out a link to the maps, and said that ODOT can contact the various jurisdictions on this matter. RVTD would also appreciate more collaboration with affected cities.
- Andrea Napoli is now filling the position of Senior Transportation Planner.
- The COG has hired a new Associate Planner from Colorado.
- The skill set for the additional Planner has not been clearly defined yet.

**8. Public Comment.** None were received.

**9. Other Business / Local Business**

**10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.