

MINUTES OF MEETING

Regular Meeting

TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD

Wednesday, July 13, 2022

2411 Chandler Court SW

Olympia, WA 98502

Hybrid – In person and remote

Call to Order

Chair Andy Ryder called the meeting to order at 7:02 am.

Attendance

Members Present:

City of Lacey

City of Olympia

City of Tenino

City of Yelm

Intercity Transit

Port of Olympia

Thurston County

WSDOT

Community Rep

Business Rep

Emeritus Rep

Andy Ryder, Chair

Dani Madrone, First Vice Chair

John O'Callahan, Council member

Brian Hess, Council member

Don Melnick, Authority member

Amy Evans, Commissioner

Carolina Mejia, Commissioner

George Mazur, Staff

Kevin Pestinger

Renee Radcliff Sinclair, Second Vice Chair

Pete Kmet

Members Absent:

Nisqually Indian Tribe

Confederated Tribes of the

Chehalis Reservation

City of Rainier

City of Tumwater

North Thurston Public Schools

State Government

Heidi Thomas, Staff

Amy Loudermilk, Staff

Ron Kemp, Council member

Peter Agabi, Council member

Deanna Maddux, Staff

Vacant

Staff Present:

Marc Daily, Executive Director

Veena Tabbutt, Deputy Director

Karen Parkhurst, Planning & Policy Director

Dorinda Merrill, Office Specialist III

Dave Read, IT Manager

Paul Brewster, Senior Planner

Casey Mauck, Assistant Planner

Others Present:

Eric Phillips, Intercity Transit

Jessica Gould, Intercity Transit

Ann Freeman-Manzanares, Intercity Transit

Rob LaFontaine, Intercity Transit

Mary Heather Ames, City of Tumwater

Martin Hoppe, City of Lacey

Sophie Stimson, City of Olympia

Michelle Murray, Citizen

Jessica McKeegan-Jensen, Citizen

Travis Millar, Citizen

Agenda Item 1
INFORMATION

Introductions/Announcements/Updates

Members were introduced.

Agenda Item 2
RECOGNITION

Recognition

Chair Ryder recognized outgoing Community Representative Kevin Pestinger for his 5 years of service on the Transportation Policy Board (TPB).

Agenda Item 3
INFORMATION

Executive Director's Report & Announcements

Executive Director Marc Daily reported that Senior Planner Katrina Van Every has been promoted to Transportation Manager.

Agenda Item 4
ACTION

Approval of Agenda

Board member O'Callahan moved, seconded by Board member Melnick, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 5
ACTION

Approval of Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of Meeting Notes – June 8, 2022

Board member O'Callahan moved, seconded by Board member Madrone, to approve the consent calendar. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 6

Public Comment

No public comment.

Agenda Item 7
ACTION

Consideration of Interview Committee Recommendation on Business & Community Representatives

Planning & Policy Director Karen Parkhurst provided an update on the TPB Business and Community Representative Interview Committee's recommendation to appoint 3 Business Representatives and 2 Community Representatives. Each will serve a term of 3 years starting September 14, 2022.

Staff recommends TPB approve the recommendation of the Interview Committee, and appoint Jessica McKeegan-Jensen and David Wasson and reappoint Renee Radcliff Sinclair, as Business Representatives, and appoint Community Representatives Michelle Murray and Travis Millar for a 3-year term beginning at the September 14, 2022.

Chair Ryder moved, seconded by Board member Kmet, to approve the recommendation of the Interview Committee, and appoint Jessica McKeegan-Jensen, and David Wasson, and reappoint Renee Radcliff Sinclair, as Business Representatives, and appoint Community Representatives Michelle Murray and Travis Millar for a 3-year term beginning at the September 14, 2022. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 8
PRESENTATION

Call for Projects Process Discussion

Executive Director Marc Daily reviewed the outstanding policy considerations on TRPC's 2022 Federal Transportation Grant Funding Call for Projects Process. The purpose of the process is to provide a more direct tie to performance goals and targets, provide a competitive process with clear and transparent project eligibility and evaluation criteria, and continue to position the region to meet obligation targets and be eligible for redistributed funding.

The Policy Board broke out into three groups to discuss the following issues and seek consensus on process recommendations.

- Sustainable Thurston Urban Corridors and Neighborhood Centers
- Funding Caps
- Rural Community Support Program
- Breaking Scoring Ties

After the discussion, TPB reconvened and opened the floor for a second public comment period. TPB will be asked to take action on their recommendations to Council during Agenda Item #10.

Agenda Item 9

Second Public Comment Period

There was no public comment.

Agenda Item 10
ACTION

Recommendation to Council on new Call for Projects Process

TPB discussed the process recommendations and took action on each item individually.

Sustainable Thurston Urban Corridors and Neighborhood Centers: Board member Kmet moved, seconded by Board member Evans, to recommend that applicants can either show how their project is within a designated Corridor/Center or within a corridor or center proximity, or provide a narrative on how existing land uses support the intent of corridors and centers. Motion carried.

Funding Caps (Macro): Board member Kmet moved, seconded by Board member Madrone, to recommend using the macro funding caps outline in the staff report tables. Board member Melnick abstained. Motion carried.

Funding Caps (Micro): Chair Ryder moved, seconded by Board member Sinclair, to recommend not having micro funding caps. Motion carried.

Rural Community Support Program: Board member Kmet moved, seconded by Board member O'Callahan, to recommend that a jurisdiction that receives funding through the regular Call for Projects is not eligible for Rural Community Support Program funds for the same Call for Projects cycle. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 11
BRIEFING

Outside Committee Reports

No outside committee reports.

Agenda Item 12

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Ryder adjourned the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Andy Ryder, Chair