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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Transportation Policy Board

**FROM:** Karen M. Parkhurst, Planning & Policy Director

**DATE:** September 7, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Appointment of 2023 State Legislative Subcommittee

**PURPOSE**

To appoint TPB members to a joint Thurston Regional Planning Council/Transportation Policy Board subcommittee, who will draft priority issues for the 2023 State Legislative Session and represent the region’s issues with legislators.

**Summary:**

- Each year, with the input of the Transportation Policy Board (TPB), the Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC) develops a list of priority issues to bring to our state legislative delegation for funding, legislative assistance, and/or other remedies.
- In 2022, the Council formed a joint TRPC/TPB subcommittee to draft a concise and focused list of no more than five priority issues and to represent those issues to legislators. This subcommittee structure and short list worked well, and the 2022 subcommittee suggested we continue with this strategy.
- The TPB Chair will appoint up to three members to serve on the Legislative Subcommittee. At its regular September meeting, the Council Chair appointed two members (Clark Gilman, City of Olympia and Joe DePinto, City of Yelm) and four alternate members. Staff will organize a meeting of the subcommittee.
- The subcommittee will bring their proposed priority issues to the Policy Board and the Council for approval.

**REQUESTED ACTION**

The Chair will appoint three members to the Legislative Subcommittee.

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EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS

Ultimately, the state legislature is the decision-maker for these issues. However, when setting priorities, the TPB and TRPC will consider equity as part of the criteria. Since the Council and the Policy Board represent a broad range of interests (local government, transit, libraries, schools, geographic diversity), the priorities are viewed through a number of lenses.