PORTLAND FREIGHT COMMITTEE
AGENDA
Meeting No. 127

WHEN: Thursday, January 9, 2014 @ 7:30 AM
WHERE: Lovejoy Room (2nd Floor), City Hall,
1221 SW 4th Avenue

Time:	**Topic:**	**Lead:**
7:30 AM	**Coffee/Pastries/Introductions**	**All**
7:35 AM	**City Bureaus and Agencies** Bureau reports of upcoming topics and announcements.	**Pia Welch**
7:50 AM	**Hot Topics, Points of Interest, Successes** PFC members will report on current topics of interest from their respective industries: • Rivergate transportation issues and next steps • Powell-Division steering committee freight representative • SE Quadrant/CEID freight work session	**Pia/Committee Members**
8:15 AM	**Road Reorganization Projects and Process** PBOT City Traffic Engineer - Rob Burchfield and Active Transportation Manager - Dan Bower will both lead a discussion on the city's approach to road reorganization projects (aka road diets), what projects are being proposed and impacts on the transportation network (see attachments).	**Rob Burchfield and Dan Bower**
9:30 AM	**Adjourn**	

Next Meeting – February 6th 2014

- PFC Priorities for 2014
- PFC Annual Report
- PBOT Budget and Funding (tentative)

Questions about this agenda or other questions about the Portland Freight Committee (PFC):

- Contact Robert Hillier, 503 823-7567 or Robert.hillier@portlandoregon.gov
- Also visit the Portland Freight Committee website at: www.portlandonline.com/transportation/freight

Notes from Meeting No. 125
Portland Freight Committee
December 5, 2013
7:30 AM, Lovejoy Room, (City Hall)

Agency Reports and Hot Topics

- Debra Dunn (Oregon Trucking Association) reported on recent meeting she attended with the Western States Transportation Alliance (WSTA) where size and weight was the focus. WSTA approved draft legislation to provide western states the opportunity to conduct a size and weight pilot project. The legislation would need congressional approval. The pilot gives states that can only haul 80,000 lbs the opportunity to test hauling larger loads under restrictive conditions.
- Bob Hillier reported that an open house for the Foster Road Transportation and Streetscape Plan will be held this evening (December 5th) to solicit comments on the recommendations which call for reducing the number of travel lanes on Foster between SE 50th Ave. and SE 90th Ave. from four to three lanes and adding bicycle lanes.
    - It was asked if the city had modeled the impacts on air quality and traffic in other neighborhoods (i.e., SE Holgate) resulting from anticipated traffic diversion.
    - A discussion ensued on the need for the City to take a more system-wide approach with projects that reduce traffic capacity and the unintended consequences on transferring pollution and traffic to other neighborhoods.
- Tony Coleman (ODOT) reported on the North Williams Traffic Operations Safety Project regarding the Winning Way to I-5 on-ramp and the challenge of sorting bicyclists and motor vehicles in advance of the intersection at NE Broadway. This project was part of the proposal for the NE Quadrant Plan.
- Susie Lahsene (Port of Portland) reported on a breakout session on transportation that will be held at the Oregon Business Summit.
- Corky Collier (Columbia Corridor Association) reported on a successful $335,000 EPA grant to purchase six new clean diesel trucks.
- Rob Mathers (Kinder Morgan) reported on recent activities by the Working Waterfront Coalition - chaired by former PFC chair Ann Gardner - and their communications with Commission Novick regarding the "Green Hierarchy," Comprehensive Plan and Transportation System Plan and other city policies impacting freight mobility and industrial land development. Rob cited previous PFC letters and comments on these issues that were provided to Commissioner Novick.

Transportation System Plan Update

Bob Hillier (PBOT) provided an update on the City's TSP work program and led a discussion new capital freight projects and initiatives. A discussion ensued about prioritizing and funding critical freight projects including the North Rivergate Boulevard Grade Separation and Intersection Improvement and the North Hayden Island Drive Improvements supporting the West Hayden Island Plan.

Port of Portland Rail Plan

Kathryn Williams (Port of Portland – Business and Rail Affairs Manager) presented the key findings and recommendations from the Port of Portland Rail Plan Update. The Plan identifies 29 infrastructure projects in both Oregon and Washington, with 18 within or near the Port of Portland, 6 Portland area main line projects, and 5 Washington main line projects for a total of $580 million.

PFC Chair/Vice Chair Elections

- The PFC membership unanimously approved Debra Dunn and Pia Welch to serve as the Chair and Vice Chair for the next two year term.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

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