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OMF Labor Management Committee Meeting Recap

January 21, 2021

Zoom Meeting

Chaired by Paul Cone

Members Present

Michael Roy, CityFleet Manager
Theo Leiataua, Facilities (Alt)
Paul Cone, BTS/PROTEC17/Co-Chair
Manish Thakore, PROTEC17
Rachel Whiteside, PROTEC17
Tim McCormack (Alt), Facilities
Tom Rinehart, CAO/Co-Chair
Tony Bush, CityFleet

Members Absent

Scott Karter, Revenue (ALT)
Michelle Kirby (Alt), BRFS Director
Tyler Wallace (Alt), Revenue
Don Bryans (Alt), P&D
Rebecca Hatton (Alt), Facilities
Jamaal Anthony, BHR
Roger Koppy, AFSCME/DCTU
Keith Drew (Alt), CityFleet
Matthew Spitulski, P&D Manager
Kristin Wells, Facilities Operations
Thomas Lannom, Revenue Director
Eddie Barton, Local 701

Other Staff Present

Ethan Cirimo, OMF staff

Updates from OMF LMCs

CityFleet (Michael Roy)

The January 5 LMC meeting was well attended. CityFleet is currently in the process of exiting the Graham garage, with PBOT taking over facility on February 9. A bargaining question remains about how to move out of frozen step increases...some groups did them, some did not. City council posture on that will be helpful but is unknown at this point.

Police must cut \$2 million by June. Because of this, the Police Bureau has a \$500 limit for vehicle repairs and there is a backlog of damaged vehicles at CityFleet facilities. This is going to one outcome from their budget cuts. Our role in the is to store the vehicles while they await repair.

BTS (Paul Cone)

The December 9 LMC meeting was well attended. Dan Bauer, once Deputy Director, has left and has been replaced by Elyse Rosenberg who will be serving as Interim Deputy Director. There was a question about who is responsible for replenishing gloves, masks, etc. At this point, confusion about who leads this task still exists. That said, stocks remain healthy. There was also a question about emergency preparedness kits and why they vary in contents so much. The short answer is that the contents of these kits varies based on location and staff requirements.

Printing & Distribution

No report.

Facilities (Tim McCormack)

Facilities is filling positions that were being held open and will soon be recruiting another dispatcher for the team. They are focusing on safety and on keeping N95 masks in stock. There was a question about employee vaccine priority. Not all is known at this point, but most likely field staff and employees not in office environments will get priority.

Revenue (Thomas Lannom)

No report.

City COVID response (Tom Rinehart)

There now is a vaccination center located at the convention center. This is progress but should have been in place for quite some time. Oregon is not nearly as well organized as Washington in terms of its distribution of vaccine. Calls to the Oregon Health Authority have not been answered.

As for the City, the decision was made to urge the Mayor to press President Biden's administration for more direct resource outreach. Progress through distribution of this vaccine remains too slow. Tom is confident that we as a City have the capacity and ability to do a more efficient and effective job.

ECC Changes, CARES act (Tom Rinehart)

Efforts are underway to adjust the ECC to the next phase of the emergency. Recovery work will slowly move from ECC to PROSPER Portland. We don't have a plan for the next six months, however.

Regarding CARES funding, we have about \$2 million left. Outdoor shelters are receiving most of that money, but the rest of the community is in dire need. Receipt of federal money came with no resources or advice on how to spend the money they gave us. The resources are nice, but direction would have been helpful. The next round of relief is anticipated to be easier to manage.

CAO Updates (Tom Rinehart)

There is a lot of work to do regarding our recommendations to Council. Portland's commercial real estate value has plummeted over the past year, though it should be noted that residential real estate continues to flourish.

Liability insurance rates will continue to increase, and there are bureau spending cuts across the board. The City is trying to approach these cuts in a smart way by adjusting work and sharing expenses where possible before cutting positions. Regarding communication, the City is trying to create a more centralized message. There is currently public confusion about all the different sources of information coming from the City, which would be alleviated if our communication approaches were less siloed.