



**PORTLAND FREIGHT COMMITTEE
AGENDA
Meeting No. 115**

WHEN: Thursday, January 3, 2013 @ 7:30 AM
WHERE: Lovejoy Room (2nd Floor), City Hall,
1221 SW 4th Avenue

<u>Time:</u>	<u>Topic:</u>	<u>Lead:</u>
7:30 AM	Coffee/Pastries/Introductions	All
7:35 AM	City Bureaus and Agencies: Bureau reports on upcoming topics and announcements.	Debra Dunn
7:50 AM	Hot Topics, Points of Interest, Successes: PFC members will report on current issues, upcoming meetings and events from their respective industries and affiliations.	Debra/Committee Members
8:15 AM	PFC Priorities for 2013: PFC members will discuss priorities and goals for 2013 (see attached list of 2012 PFC priorities).	Debra Dunn
8:45 AM	2016-18 Regional Flexible Funds Allocation: Regional Flexible Funds (aka MTIP) project applications are due March 15 th . Bob will report on the short-list of candidate projects recommended by the PFC subcommittee for funding and next steps for project selection. (See attached candidate project list).	Bob Hillier
9:10 AM	Columbia Boulevard Pedestrian Safety Issues: Greg Raisman (PBOT Active Transportation) will discuss pedestrian crossing safety issues on N. Columbia Boulevard at N. Swift Way.	Greg Raisman
9:30 AM	Adjourn	
	Next Meeting – February 7th 2013 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• PFC will vote on which green economy/freight projects to recommend for 2016-18 MTIP funding.	

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. 114
Portland Freight Committee
December 6, 2012
7:30 AM, Lovejoy Room, (City Hall)**



In Attendance:

Members: Steve Bates (Redmond Heavy Hauling), Bernie Bottomly (Portland Business Alliance), Bill Burgel (Burgel Rail Group), Corky Collier (Columbia Corridor Association), Tom Dechenne (Norris Beggs and Simpson), James Dibble (Evraz), Malina Downey (UPS), Debra Dunn (OTA), Kristine Kennedy (Axis Crane), Wayne Kingsley (CEIC), Bob Short (CalPortland), Jeff Swanson (PSU), Pia Welch (Portland Air Cargo Association/FedEx), Tracy Ann Whalen (Private Citizen).

Associate Members: Tony Coleman (ODOT), Steve Kountz (BPS), Susie Lehsene (Port of Portland).

Staff: Bob Hillier (Portland Bureau of Transportation).

Guests: Kathryn Williams (Port of Portland), Heather Stebbings (PNWA), Roseann O’Laughlin, Sharon Kelly.

City Bureaus Updates

- The NE 21st Ave Bridge upgrade project is complete and is now open to all vehicular traffic.
- The second public open house for the St. Johns Truck Strategy Phase II project will be held on December 12th at the St. Johns Community Center to collect feedback on the draft recommendations.
- Bob Hillier and Steve Kountz will be making a presentation on freight transportation and industrial land use issues to the Network Policy Expert Group of the Comprehensive Plan on December 18th.
- ODOT will install traffic separators on N. Philadelphia Ave (St. Johns Bridge) to prevent left turns into N. Syracuse Street for eastbound traffic resulting from the proposed mixed-use development at the northwest corner of N. Philadelphia and Ivanhoe.

Industrial Site Readiness Report

Bernie Bottomly presented the key findings from the Industrial Site Readiness reports:

- There are increasing site development costs resulting from additional local regulation.
- Industrial site owners do not have an incentive and are not willing to invest resources to identify development constraints -i.e., wetlands, contamination - that could increase the owner’s liabilities.
- Potential buyers/developers want to know about site development constraints before making investments.
- There must be an adequate return on investment for the cost incurred in preparing a site for development.
- Most of the payroll taxes generated from industrial properties go to the state vs. the local government even though the local government is typically responsible for financing infrastructure improvements (i.e., water, sewer, transportation, stormwater) to support site development.
- Support is needed from Portland elected officials to help fund infrastructure programs and to educate them that industrial development is an investment that will return greater tax receipts to fund critical state services.

2016-18 Regional Flexible Funds Allocation

Bob Hillier provided a matrix of candidate freight projects and funding sources. An estimated \$3.722 million will be available to the City of Portland for Green Economy & Freight projects and applications are due March 15th. A subcommittee will be scheduled to review the candidate project list and make a recommendation to the full PFC at the January 3rd meeting.

Hot Topics

- A meeting is scheduled with PBOT, Portland Parks & Recreation, Metro Parks and Mayor Adams staff to discuss the North Portland Greenway Trail crossing at N. Columbia Blvd on December 19th.
- The West Hayden Island development/annexation Council decision will be delayed until early 2013.
- **Next Meeting:** January 3, 2012, 7:30 – 9:30 AM, Lovejoy Room (City Hall), 1220 SW 5th Avenue.

Upcoming Meetings and Events
Portland Freight Committee
January 3, 2013

- **January 8th** from 12:00- 1:00 p.m. Portland Business Alliance Transportation Committee. Bob Hillier will discuss the candidate 2016-18 MTIP freight projects.
- **January 9th** from 6:30-8:30 p.m. North Portland Greenway Trail Open House at the University of Portland, Chiles Center, 5000 N. Willamette Blvd.
- **January 9th** at 9:00 a.m. Draft Port Transportation Improvement Plan (PTIP) public review hearing at the Port Commission meeting at the Port headquarters building (The draft 2013 PTIP can be found near the bottom of the following web page: http://www.portofportland.com/Trade_Trans_Studies.aspx)
- **January 16th** from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Economic Development PEG, Portland Comprehensive Plan, 1900 SW 4th, 7th Floor, Room 7A.
- **January 16th** from 6-8 p.m. Final Stakeholder Advisory Committee for the St. Johns Truck Strategy Phase II project St. Johns Community Center, 8427 north Central Street.