

Southwest Corridor Plan – Portland Working Group (PWG) Meeting # 3 Summary

February 3, 2014 - 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Multnomah Arts Center, Room 30

Meeting Materials: PWG Meeting #2 Summary
ID SW Meeting #1 – Draft Meeting Notes
Initial list of project phasing ideas (with Map)

Introductions and housekeeping items

Joan Frederiksen with the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS) opened the meeting at 6:05pm, welcomed attendees and led off the introductions.

Joan reviewed the ground rules and agenda, provided a brief recap of the SW Service Enhancement Plan event on January 23rd and invited updates related to the recent ID SW kick-off meeting. Joan noted that there were participants who had requested edits to the meeting #2 summary and noted that those changes would be considered and a revised summary would be issued in the next week or so. Joan also provided information on future SW Corridor community events planned for March, noting that the March 3rd PWG would likely be cancelled.

Barbur Concept Plan overview

As an introduction to the station location planning presentation **Joan** with **BPS** provided a brief overview of the Barbur Concept Plan completed last year including its emphasis on land uses and the resulting seven focus areas identified.

Southwest Corridor Plan – Station Location Planning 101

TriMet's Dave Unsworth presented an introduction to station location planning explaining some of the considerations that go into locating stations. Among the key SW Corridor considerations from a transit perspective Dave noted that the corridor lacks key sidewalk connections, needs safe highway crossings and will need good transfer connections to serve a large area with one alignment. Dave also fielded questions on a variety of topics including funding, the Interstate Avenue example, noise and whether there are examples of successful bus rapid transit station areas.

Denver Igarta with the **Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT)** reintroduced the Southwest Corridor Plan recommended roadway and active transportation projects by noting that these projects are critical to the success of any HCT proposal. Denver noted that part of the goal of working with the PWG on this list was to look at opportunities for phasing and to work towards a broader community event where community members could share their priorities amongst the listed projects. Where feasible the city would like to be able to consider improvements that might serve future station areas in advance of the HCT investment. Community input on project priorities would not only feed into the SW Corridor process but would also give the city guidance that would be applicable to other planning and investment decisions including the update of the Transportation System Plan.

The intent of the evening’s agenda item was to discuss potential criteria by which the broader community could evaluate the current Portland project list. The community will be asked at a future public meeting to give input on their priorities. It would also serve as another opportunity to get input on any additional project phasing ideas. After Denver introduced the topic a number of interjections led the conversation towards a discussion of whether the project list we are working with should be the basis for the community evaluation or whether additional projects should be added. Some participants felt strongly that there are projects missing from the list that it would be valuable to include now. Staff acknowledged that there may be other projects that could be identified as meriting more attention but that this is the list that has been brought forward to this point through the SW Corridor Plan process. One participant added that these projects should be seen as place holders in a sense because the list was likely to evolve as the alignments and station areas firmed up. Another participant noted concern that the very preliminary, potentially inaccurate, cost estimates and incomplete descriptions could make projects vulnerable to elimination.

Denver had an opportunity to hand out the draft criteria and noted input could also be provided to him via email.

Meeting Wrap-up and Next Steps

Joan wrapped up and adjourned the meeting a little before 8:00 pm.

PWG Participants February 3, 2014

Name	Organization or Interest	
Roger Averbeck	SWNI	
Michelle Anderson	PSU student	
Don Baack	SW Trails	
Glen Bridger	Hillsdale	
Martha Campbell	Far Southwest	
Bill Dant	West Portland Park	
Kay Durtschi	Corridor/Multnomah	
Bob Emerigh	Mass transit	
Marianne Fitzgerald	SWNI/Ashcreek	
Bill Garyfallou	Barbur business owner	
Jim Gardner	South Portland NA	
Mark Gorman	PCC – TDM manager	
Maripat Hensel	Arnold Creek NA/ Aging populations	
Joan and Tim Hamilton	SW Trails	
Robert Hamilton	Mass Transit/Hillsdale	
Jim Howell		
Al Iverson	Hayhurst	
Milt Jones	SWNI/Homestead	
Peter Johnson	Far SW NA	
Jim Karlock		
Michael Kisor		
Marcia Leslie	Far SW NA	
Keith Liden		

Jim Mayer	reporter	
Marie McDonough		
Sandy Morgan	South Burlingame	
Linda Niles	Crestwood	
Phil Richman	Markham NA	
Kate Rogers	PSU student	
Sue Stahl		
Anton Vetterlein	Homestead/Friends of Terwilliger	
Erik Vidstrand	SW Portland Post	
George Vranas	Far Southwest	
Melissa Webb	Sidewalk access to transit	
Jan Weston	Marshall Park	

Staff in attendance

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