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## Portland Freight Committee

### Announcements and Hot topics

- Marine Drive Safety Project (Providance Nagy) (Two Handouts): Vision Zero & potential federal inspection on design on the levy
- Upcoming Freight 101 Presentation - Coordination of date upcoming
- NAC meeting re-scheduled for next monday
- 30 min estimated delays from drilling on Marine Dr, actual delay 5-10 min, finished on time and on budget - Success!
- New selection of Executive Director at the port
- CRC Project - monday, first look at funding - major congestion project
- Mayor's budget has been released
- Finalize letter of support prior to July council date
- Clean Diesel Initiative Project for a future presentation at PFC

### Transportation & Growth Management Grants

PBOT is considering the following two TGM funding requests for 2017: (1) Freight Master Plan Update (\$150,000), and (2) Columbia Corridor Multimodal Improvement Project (\$200,000). TGM applications are due June 9th and staff provided a summary of the two project proposals. **Action requested:** PFC letter of support.

Comment: TGM will fund one or the other?

Response: It's unknown, but can get one. Two out of three applying for. Neither could be funded. All have a freight element. We could try for other sources of funding/internal

Comment: How would you put together a group to study this, not freight focused?

Response: Careful of the stakeholders; combination of freight, pedestrian, bicycle and transit. Need to get everyone on the same page. Make sense for proportional reps.

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Comment: 1. Sense of urgency; TSP not including freight, big expectations of brownfield redevelopment. 2. Bigger land use planning effort Columbia Corridor but need for end to end

Comment: Green Loop discussion. Express concern bicycle use adjacent to freight. Protect industrial lands and freight routes. Prioritize where emphasize TGM funds.

Response: Experience, needs to be context sensitive. TGM could help. More interested in employment, transit connection. It's about spur more employment and getting people to their jobs. Good partnerships with TriMet, responded with service.

Comment: What about PBOT's last Columbia Blvd Study

Response: Identified good projects, Mostly ITS investment. Bigger projects - study didn't advance them, what's needed is getting them implementation ready.

## Regional Transportation System Plan Update

This was a continued discussion from last month on the 2018 RTP call for projects program. Direction from local leaders indicates that funding is significantly more conservative than in previous studies. Explained overall approach and examples.

**Action requested:** Informational Item.

Comment: City and State?

Response: Portland has a separate. This is local revenue and potential federal funds.

Comment: Transportation model drives most of our needs. Steve Kountz presentation. Leverage last mile connection, Add Hayden Island

Response: SK's presentation - simple, limited. Doesn't get at importance of social equity freight projects.

## Green Loop Update

Gabe Graff (PBOT) provided an overview of the Central City Multimodal Project and an update on the Green Loop planning process and highlights from the April 24th Central Eastside design charrette focused on active transportation, freight, and the Green Loop. (see website: [www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/65670](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/65670))

**Action requested:** Informational Item

Comment: CIAC concerns, identified that will be 6th or 7th. Primary concern impacts freight and safety for multimodes. Support to express need for compromises for solutions.

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Comment: What other alignment on central eastside?

Response: 6th and 7th proposed came out of SE Quad Plan, CCMM Project - green loop has multiple functions, interested in making clear, safe, active transit connection in and through Central Eastside and DT. Green Loop & N/S Connections are all on the same street. Scope will be aided by CH2M, as well as for E/W Connections.

Comment: How do you envision freight would move or will be done?

Response: Key takeaway from Charette will not be easy. Doing nothing is not a solution. Focus area on Central Eastside preserving the freight district. Avoid 11th & 12th because we heard from freight in the past is frequently used. Green Loop goes within the middle of the district.

Comment: Like your criteria and freight concerns on the list. Keep at forefront - examples of similar projects in other cities, also have well planned dedicated freight routes - we don't. Take a look at average bike rider, color, income and average worker rely on freight - big difference, look at that equity.

Response: We put a lot of effort on doing both and identify what's best for everyone. A safe system that works both for freight and bicycle.

Comment: We would like to be part of that analysis and discussion of alignment. Loading and unloading zones, which alignment has that - huge conflict and safety.

Comment: Funding?

Response: CCMM project 3 million in local, 9 million grant. Project forward - part allocated provide a first phase of N/S connection to the new bridge (Sullivan's Crossing). Not all investment in Central Eastside. How PFC and Central Eastside business would like to be involved together. We do have money set aside for additional outreach.

## Farewell Tony

Our friend and PFC colleague Tony Colman will be retiring after a long and distinguished career at ODOT. We will end our May meeting by wishing Tony all the best in his next chapter and thanking him for all his participation and valued insights on the PFC all these years.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 AM.