

# Agenda Item Number 4.

## Report of the Executive Committee

**Presenter:** George Kloeppe

**Action Recommended:** None. Information Only

**Meeting Notes:**

### Meeting of May 19, 2005

The LCOG Executive Committee met on Thursday, May 19. Members present for the meeting were LCOG Board Chair Gary Williams, Vice Chair Patrick Lanning, Commissioner Anna Morrison, Mayor Warren Weathers, and Director Greg James. Staff members attending included Bob Swank, Byron Vanderpool, Ted Stevens, Kay Metzger, Ann Mortenson and George Kloeppe. The Committee considered:

### June 23 Board Agenda

The Committee reviewed a preliminary listing of the topics that staff anticipated for the June Board meeting. Kloeppe noted that the agenda and background materials would not be mailed for another month and that additions would be made. He distributed a listing of the items that were presently on the agenda.

The “special focus” for the meeting had been previously designated as “regional economic development.” It was noted that the topic had emerged from last summer’s planning session and had a number of component parts, including supporting the private sector in creating and preserving stable, “family wage” jobs, recruiting business investment, providing the training necessary for a skilled workforce, and assuring that public infrastructure, such as sewers, water supply, transportation facilities, etc., were available. Kloeppe reported that Bob Warren, Oregon Community and Economic Development Department, had agreed to serve as the “catalyst” for the Board’s discussion. It was noted that it would be constructive if the Board would explore the obstacles to successful economic development in the region. The subject of international trade was offered as one

important for the Board's discussion, as was the proposal (S 71) for multi-modal investments in port and rail facilities. It was also suggested that Bob Warren be asked to give particular attention to stimulating business success "from within," or from existing enterprises. The Committee discussed the possibility of LCOG, collaborating with other organizations, hosting a "summit" of the various players in the area's economic development efforts.

Other issues expected to come before the Board in June were reported and included the adoption of the FY 2005-06 Work Program and Budget, finalization of the biennial Performance Review of the Executive Director, discussion of the plan for the July 2005 Goal Setting Session, and reports on the Senior Meals Program Endowment and the results of the agency's collective bargaining process.

### **Goal-Setting Session in July**

George Kloeppe provided a summary of the plans for the July 28 Board Goal-Setting Session in Cottage Grove. He reported that Stan Biles, president of "Management Solutions," had agreed to facilitate the Session. The general outline that had been discussed with Biles included attention to (1) the accomplishment of previously established goals and priorities, (2) long-range (multi-year) change opportunities and course adjustments, and (3) a plan for the remaining five Board meetings in FY 2005-06. The general outline of the 3-hour time period was discussed by the Committee.

### **Area Plan on Aging and Disability Services, Update**

Ted Stevens, Director of S&DS, reviewed the recommended "update" to the Area Plan (previously distributed to the Committee). He noted that recent developments suggested that minor changes to the Advisory Councils' recommendations would be appropriate. The decision of Peace Health Medical Center to close its Senior Mental Health Counseling Center, coupled with a modest (\$11,515) increase in available Oregon Project Independence (OPI) resources, necessitate the modifications, Stevens explained. In light of this, the Advisory Council had recommended that \$20,567 of the OAA money that would not be granted to Peace Health be retained by S&DS to be used to implement a Medicare Part D (pharmaceutical) outreach and education campaign between November 2005 and May 2006. Further, it was recommended that S&DS be authorized to contract with Cascade Health Solutions for caregiver services, not to exceed the \$13,696 balance of OAA resource available. Finally, Stevens reported that it was recommended (by staff, since there was not a timely meeting of the Advisory Council) that the

additional OPI resource be applied to a two-month extension of OPI support for Meals on Wheels and Money Management services, while the Legislature is deliberating on the State's biennial budget. Otherwise, Stevens reported that the previous recommendation (May 10 memo) of the Advisory Councils that the "Option #1" version of the Plan Update be approved and submitted to the State. It was moved by Greg James, seconded by Warren Weathers to make the recommended modifications and to approve and submit "Option # 1" to the State. Motion carried.

Ted Stevens presented the Committee with a follow-up report on the progress in the Legislature on the adopted Legislative Priorities for 2005. Kloepfel noted that he, along with representatives of several counties and other area agencies, had met with Ray Naff of the Governor's office regarding HB 3303, which would direct a more equitable and fair contractual relationship between the State and its local service providing entities. Kloepfel also noted that a letter had been sent—pursuant to the Board's advocacy authorization—to Sen. Schrader and Rep. Scott, urging their support on the long-standing "funding equity" issue. The problem had been philosophically addressed by the 2003 Legislative Session, but not implemented. Copies of Kloepfel's letter were distributed to the Committee.

### **Metro Area Residential Land Information Update**

Byron Vanderpool, Director of Technology Services, provided a follow-up report on the project, conducted with input from the Home Builders Association of Lane County, to identify available residential land within the MetroPlan area. A copy of the report provided to the Committee.

### **Homeland Security Grant to Jurisdictions and Agencies in Lane County**

Vanderpool provided a summary of all of the Homeland Security (and related) awards made state-wide. The Committee discussed the process by which area recipients were awarded \$773,612.

### **Executive Director Biennial Performance Review**

Ann Mortenson, Administrative Coordinator, provided an update on the use of the "360 Degree Review" process. She noted that on May 20 members of the four identified groups of responders would receive an email from her and then an email from Jeff DeFranco of True North Consulting. Responses will be received via the Internet site for two weeks, after which the subcommittee will review the compiled

results and develop a recommendation for the Executive Committee's consideration on June 16. The Performance Review would then conclude with the Chair's report and recommendation to the Board on June 23.

### **FY 2005-06 LCOG Budget Recommendation**

George Kloeppe reported that the Budget Committee had finalized its work and had approved a fiscal year budget totaling \$23,546,895. He noted that the document will be republished for the Board's consideration and mailed several weeks ahead of the June meeting. On June 23, the Board is scheduled to conduct a public hearing and to adopt the *FY 2005-06 Work Program and Budget*.

### **May 26 LCOG Open House**

The Committee briefly discussed the Open House scheduled for May 26. It was noted that the event, which will feature all of LCOG except the Senior and Disabled Services Division, will provide opportunity for a broad group of stakeholders and interested parties to visit the office and talk with staff.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

George Kloeppe noted that, as in past years, it was not expected that the Executive Committee would meet in July or August. The next meeting is scheduled for June 16, and the following meeting will be on September 15.

It was noted that the Oregon Metropolitan Planning Organization Consortium (OMPOC) would meet in Salem on May 26; that the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) would meet in Monterey California on June 25-28; and that the West Coast Corridor Coalition and Western COGs Group would meet in Tacoma August 10-12.