

Agenda Item Number 12.

Advisory Council Reports

Presenter: George Kloeppel

Action Recommended: None. Information Only

Background:

Senior Services Advisory Council (SSAC)

met July 9, 2002

The new members of the council were welcomed.

Advocacy Committee Recommendation: Plan for a Legislative Candidates' Forum.

The council approved the recommendation of the Advocacy Committee to hold three candidates' forums, jointly with the Disability Services Advisory Council, prior to the November election. The dates, times, and locations of the forums are as follows:

August 13, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. – Hilyard Center (Eugene) with Candidates from House Districts 8, 13, and 14; Senate Districts 4 and 7.

September 10, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. – Willamalane Senior Center (Springfield) with candidates from House Districts 7, 11, and 12; Senate Districts 4 and 6.

October 8, 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. – Siuslaw Public Library (Florence) with candidates from House Districts 9 and 10.

Council Appointments for Fiscal Year 2002-03

The council approved appointments to the following standing committees: Planning and Budget, Procurement and Monitoring, Long Term Care, Advocacy,

and Nominating. It also approved appointments of liaisons to the Disability Services Advisory Council.

Chair's Report

Herb Ball announced he would attend one committee meeting each month as an *ex-officio* member.

Standing Committee Reports

Representatives of the committees reported on the following:

Procurement and Monitoring Committee – production of a 30-minute video on caregiver abuse and plans for the Caregivers Forum to be held in September;

Advocacy Committee – presentation of the Lane County Emergency Warning System and progress report of the Visitability Work Group meetings;

Long Term Care Committee – site visit to River Kourt, a specialized care facility for individuals with acquired brain injuries.

Staff Reports

Ted Stevens reported on the following:

- the third Special Session of the Oregon State Legislature to resolve the State's \$860 million shortfall;
- the restoration of OPI funds, in the amount of \$400,000, to State agencies and the announcement that the 2002-03 Update to the Area Plan on Aging and Disability Services from July 1, 1999 – June 30, 2003 will require amendment due to this restoration;
- the elimination of pending pharmacy co-pays for Oregon Health Plan clients receiving home and community-based services under Oregon's long-term care or Developmental Disabled waivers, or in licensed long-term care facilities.

Jane Aggers presented an overview of the Customer Service Report for the period July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002. She noted that 167 reports were received and

99 percent of the responses indicated clients were treated courteously, assisted by knowledgeable people, and served within a reasonable amount of time.

Next Meeting

The chair announced there would be no official council business held during the months of August, September, and October, due to the candidate forums.

Disability Services Advisory Council

The council cancelled its regular meeting scheduled for July 9.

The Executive Committee of the council met on June 21, and approved the recommendation of the Advocacy Committee to hold three candidate forums in August, September, and October, jointly with the Senior Services Advisory Council. It further agreed that all council business would be suspended during this period.

Metropolitan Policy Committee (MPC)

Met July 11, 2002

The MPC met on Thursday, July 11, with Lane County, Eugene, Springfield, LTD and ODOT represented.

The Committee heard a report from Tom Schwetz of LCOG recommending amending MPC's bylaws to include an ODOT representative as a voting member of MPC when the MPC is deliberating Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) issues. The Committee directed some wording changes be made to clarify the ODOT representative would be appointed by the Director of ODOT. Per the MPC's bylaws, the updated language will be distributed and brought to the MPC for formal adoption at their August 15 meeting.

Councilor Hatfield and Commissioner Green requested MPC direction concerning an upcoming July 18 ODOT Region 2 All-Area meeting on FY04-07 STIP priorities and distribution of OTIA II funds. The Committee agreed to Councilor Hatfield's request to maintain maximum flexibility, including pooling the OTIA and STIP monies, to obtain funding for local transportation projects.

The MPC, acting as the Metropolitan Cable Television Commission, considered a recommendation presented by Milo Mecham of LCOG to initiate a limited

franchise review of the franchise held by AT&T Broadband. The Committee is not willing to initiate a franchise review at this time, but does want to proceed with an audit. To that end, the Committee wants a subcommittee established to review and develop options and strategies with respect to an audit of the franchise agreement. Eugene, Springfield, Lane County and LCOG staff will present a process recommendation to MPC at its August meeting. It was suggested the final subcommittee include Commissioner Dwyer, Councilor Nancy Nathanson, and Councilor Hatfield in addition to agency staff.

The MPC agreed to move its August meeting from the 8th to the 15th to allow a full 30 day review of the suggested bylaw amendments.

Lane Economic Committee (LEC)

met July 15, 2002

- Discussed and recommended a ranking of economic development projects to the Economic Development Standing Committee of the Board of County Commissioners.