

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-08

DELEGATING LANE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT'S TRANSPORTATION PLANNING RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE METROPOLITAN POLICY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, each urbanized area, as a condition to the receipt of federal capital or operating assistance, is required to have a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process that results in plans and programs consistent with the comprehensively planned development of the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, a metropolitan planning organization is designated for each urbanized area and has certain planning responsibilities specified in 23 U.S.C 134 and Section 8 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Lane Council of Governments (LCOG) was designated by the Governor of the State of Oregon as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Eugene urbanized area on April 8, 1974; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the United States 2000 Census, the Eugene metropolitan planning organization has been designated a Transportation Management Area by the Federal Highway Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Lane Council of Governments may seek assistance from other participants in the transportation planning process and may delegate those responsibilities it so chooses; and

WHEREAS, Lane County, the City of Eugene and the City of Springfield have created the Metropolitan Policy Committee to serve as a forum for cooperative decision-making on issues of metropolitan significance; and

WHEREAS, the Lane Council of Governments provides staff support to the Metropolitan Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Lane Council of Governments has previously delegated certain of its transportation planning responsibilities to the Metropolitan Policy Committee via LCOG Resolution 87-4.

Now, therefore, be it RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Lane Council of Governments:

1. That the Board of Directors delegates to the Metropolitan Policy Committee responsibility for the discharge of responsibilities of the Eugene Metropolitan Planning Organization, including, but not limited to:
 - 1.1. Providing policy guidance related to the conduct of the transportation planning process,
 - 1.2. Adoption of the Regional Transportation Plan meeting federal requirements,
 - 1.3. Adoption of the annual Unified Planning Work Program,
 - 1.4. Adoption of the Transportation Improvement Program meeting federal requirements,
 - 1.5. Conducting the Air Quality Conformity determination,
 - 1.6. Adoption of a Congestion Management Plan,
 - 1.7. Other responsibilities of a Metropolitan Planning Organization/Transportation Management Area as set forth by federal or State statute or rule; and

2. That to ensure that it can carry out the duties of a Metropolitan Planning Organization/Transportation Management Area, the Metropolitan Policy Committee shall take any necessary steps, including amendment of its bylaws, so that its voting membership shall include, at a minimum, elected representatives of the local governments within the Eugene urbanized area as determined by the most recent United States Census; officials of agencies that administer or operate major modes or systems of transportation within the Eugene urbanized area; and the Oregon Department of Transportation; and
3. That the Metropolitan Policy Committee shall provide a report to the Board of Directors at least annually on performance of its Metropolitan Planning Organization duties, including the results of any federal certification review; and
4. That the Board of Directors continues to delegate to its Transportation Planning Committee responsibility for providing technical review and guidance to the Metropolitan Policy Committee on technical transportation issues; and
5. That the Lane Council of Governments shall continue to provide staff support for the Metropolitan Policy Committee; and
6. That the Board of Directors and the Metropolitan Policy Committee may separately or jointly reverse this delegation with not less than 30 days written notice to the other party; and
7. Should the Board of Directors determine that the responsibilities of the Eugene Metropolitan Planning Organization are not being carried out, it may, at its sole discretion, reverse this delegation; and
8. That this resolution shall supercede and replace LCOG Resolution 87-4; and
9. That this resolution shall take effect when signed by both the Chair of the Board of Directors and the Chair of the Metropolitan Policy Committee.

ATTEST:

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Executive Director
Lane Council of Governments

Winn Wendell, Chair
Board of Directors
Lane Council of Governments

Lyle Hatfield, Chair
Metropolitan Policy Committee