



March 6, 2008

To: Metropolitan Policy Committee

From: Kathi Wiederhold

Subject: Item 5.a – Report from the Citizen Advisory Committee

**Action Recommended: None. Information only.**

### **Report**

The committee held their regular meeting on February 20, 2008, with ten of the eleven voting members in attendance. The main agenda items were continued evaluation of the Public Participation Plan and continuing the primer on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. The committee also received information on two items they will be dealing with on future agendas: early comment on ODOT's Draft Public Involvement Policy and Title VI Training.

#### *Public Participation Plan*

The committee continued their evaluation of the *Public Participation Plan*, which was adopted by the Metropolitan Policy Committee in January 2007. The item was continued from the December 5, 2007 and January 16, 2008 meetings. The committee asked the officers to meet with Mayor Piercy, the liaison to the Metropolitan Policy Committee, to request her assistance in framing their recommendations prior to presenting them to the Metropolitan Policy Committee.

#### *Primer on Transportation Improvement Program*

The primer began at the November 7, 2007, meeting with a presentation by Susan Payne, LCOG Senior Planner. It was part of the continuing education to give committee members a broad grounding in the elements of the MPO's regional transportation planning. The primer gave an overview of the statewide and metropolitan transportation improvement program (STIP & MTIP) documents, their purpose, and the interrelationships between various products of the MPO's regional transportation planning. Ms Payne fielded questions as the committee continued their discussion. They found the flow chart Susan had created to show the various products and their inter-relationships to be very useful.