

December 2, 2004

To: Metropolitan Policy Committee

From: Kathi Wiederhold

Subject: Item 4d - Appointment of MPO Citizen Advisory Committee

Action Recommended: Approve Subcommittee recommendations for appointment of MPC Citizen Advisory Committee.

Background

At the September 9, 2004 meeting, MPC approved the bylaws for the MPO Citizen Advisory Committee. The initial recruitment process began immediately after that and closed on October 31, 2004. The Public Involvement Subcommittee reviewed the 17 applications received and decided to extend the recruitment to target interest groups not represented in the initial applicant pool. Five additional applications were submitted during the extended recruitment which closed on November 21, 2004. The Subcommittee met November 30, 2004, and agreed upon a 14-person membership slate to recommend to MPC for appointment.

The subcommittee has 8 members: one MPC member each from Lane Transit District, Eugene, Springfield, and Lane County; and one citizen member appointed by each of the MPC members of the subcommittee. Commissioner Bobby Green is the chair.

Selection of the Membership Slate

The Subcommittee carefully reviewed the applications to select a membership slate to represent the array of targeted interests listed in the bylaws. As directed by the bylaws, the Subcommittee recommendations strive for diversity and “make an effort to seek out and consider the needs of those traditionally underserved by existing transportation systems.”

The attached table lists all 22 applicants in alphabetical order with Xs in the columns indicating which interests they represent. The applicant names in bold are those recommended for appointment. The table includes two applicants who the Subcommittee eliminated from consideration because they live outside the MPO boundary. The bylaws specify that members must live within the MPO area. Copies of the 22 applications are attached.

The applicant pool and thus the recommended membership slate does not represent the freight interest although the Subcommittee targeted recruitment of applicants representing the freight interest—the application was emailed to a list of over 40 freight

contacts. Although the interest area column for “schools or parent” does not have any Xs, several applicants are parents and can likely represent that interest.

The Public Involvement Subcommittee recommends that MPC appoint the following 14 citizens as members of the MPO Citizen Advisory Committee:

- Don Anderson
- Kristin Anderson
- Barbara Berger
- Dan Egan
- Melissa Girard
- Peter Leung
- Steve Mital
- Jeanne-Marie Moore
- Rex Redmon
- David Roth
- Sylvia Shaw
- Jan Spencer
- Webb Sussman
- Larry Williams

Next Steps

The next steps are to work with the Committee to schedule an orientation and first meeting. Staff has been compiling orientation materials. MPC members may wish to attend the orientation, which will include a field trip by bus. We'll email invitations as soon as the date is set. Subcommittee members will meet with the Committee to help set the context for their work, such as talking about expectations and work load.

Attachment

Table of Citizen Advisory Committee Applicants and Interest Areas
Applications package—copies of all 22 received