



**TPAC Committee Meeting
Minutes
January 26, 2022**

Attendance: Tina McNerthney, Julie Bennett, Carol Gossett, Juliana Lukasik, Mike Sellinger, Ryan Hashagen, Steve Bozzone, Susan Pearce, Ted Hendryx, Adam Zucker, Janet Grayson

Advisors: Kristan Alldrin, Darin Lund, Chris Armes, Sarah Iannarone*

Staff: Kate Merrill, Nyla Clark

Excused: Andrew Plambeck, Chris Mathieu, Avery Morris

Please note that Sarah Iannarone is currently filling in for Andre Lightsey-Walker as a Street Trust advisor.

Welcome, Meeting Goals, Approval of Minutes

NClark welcomes the group to the meeting. July, October & December 2021 TPAC minutes need to be approved. *JLukasik motions to approve, RHashagen seconds, motion passes unanimously.*

Public Comment

No public comment

Updates

Staffing Updates:

CEIC is currently hiring for a Deputy Director position. KMerrill asks the committee to share with anyone that may be interested in their networks. View the Deputy Director Job Posting [here](#).

Blumenauer Bridge Sub-Committee:

NClark informs the committee that we'll be creating a sub-committee of folks who are interested in helping to plan an opening event for the bridge. This event will be planned with PBOT, Lloyd and The Green Loop. Right now the opening of the bridge is expected to be in Spring / Summer of 2022.

PBOT Update:

CArmes informs the committee that PBOT is looking to make adjustments to permit pricing. As a cost recovery method, they are looking at increasing special permits which would include delivery permits, loading permits, & Area Parking Permits (APP) permits. This would start in 2023 and occur over several years.

PBOT MOU:

RHashagen makes a motion to request that we dedicate 30 minutes to discuss the PBOT MOU each TPAC meeting until a resolution is reached. SPearce seconds the motion, motion passes unanimously.

KMerrill starts the discussion by providing an overview of the history of the TPAC. The full presentation can be viewed [here](#).

This discussion is centered around the 2021 - 2022 PBOT MOU and related negotiations.

After the presentation, the committee then discusses the MOU. Committee members discuss if this is enough step-down funding for the cleaning programs, if the ESD should have more time to use the permit surcharge funds for cleaning due to the unforeseen circumstance of the pandemic and if transportation funds should be spent on cleaning the right of way.

CArmes: Explains that the City / PBOT had allowed the CEIC and the ESD to use permit surcharge funds on cleaning for the first 3 years. The agreement was outlined knowing that the renewal would be the same year. Once the pandemic hit PBOT understood that there would be more trash in the right of way. Because of this, our new proposal allowed the ESD to use 25% of permit surcharge through the fiscal year 2024-2025. After this, we would go back to the adopted city proposals.

CArmes Asks if KMerrill can share the PBOT proposal with the TPAC. KMerrill agrees to send out the proposal to the committee.

The committee continues to discuss the proposal.

Slannarone asks if both PBOT & CEIC could share their main pain points so the TPAC can better understand the issue.

MLarkin (Central Eastside Together Board President) offers to explain the main points from CEIC's perspective. The programs and necessary and needed to help bring a level of services that the City is not currently providing. We don't need to be the people to clean the streets but someone needs to and right now it is us. It's less about what is the conflict. We've identified what needs to happen in our district and we want to make sure that services are getting done we currently need that money in order to offer the cleaning services we need.

KMerrill adds that we also want to keep the Central Eastside as a vital economic area for the City of Portland. The Central Eastside is a major employment hub for median wage jobs. Being able to keep our district clean is an important part of this.

KAlldrin discusses PBOT's perspective. For the past 3 - 5 years this MOU has had policies that are outside of the City's adopted policies. This has allowed permit surcharge funds to be used to fund cleaning. This expires in June of this year. With the new MOU the City wants to work to get back to the adopted policies used across the City. This is standard with how all other parking districts in the City works

This conversation will continue at the February TPAC meeting.

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