



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (short form)

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Meeting Date: 7/12/12
 Agenda Item #: R.1
 Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
 Date Submitted: 7/2/12

Agenda Title: **Resolution to Endorse the East Metro Connections Plan.**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.

Requested Meeting Date: July 12, 2012 **Amount of Time Needed:** 20 minutes
Department: Non-departmental **Division:** District 4
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Presenter(s): Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick, Brian Monberg, Metro Sr. Transportation Planner

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

A vote to endorse the resolution for transportation and other investments identified in the East Metro Connections Plan.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue.

The East Metro Connections Plan (EMCP) has been an 18-month corridor refinement plan that seeks to identify connections between I-84 and US 26 from 181st Ave and 257th Avenue. The final report before the Board of County Commissioners is a Plan with recommended investment packages of projects to enhance transportation, mobility, safety, and economic development in the East Metro area between now and the year 2035. The Board received project briefings on November 8th, 2011, and March 15, 2012.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

Multnomah County's portion of the local match for this study was \$14,212.

No funding has been identified for the projects in the Plan. The amount of future local match for projects identified in the EMCP will be determined by available funding sources.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

The EMCP will be recommending refinements to the Regional Transportation Plan policies and projects. JPACT and Metro Council will adopt an amended Regional Transportation Plan. Local jurisdictions will amend their Transportation System Plans to reflect the decisions in the EMCP.

The plan recommends an amendment to the freight network map to reflect the proposed East Metro Connections Plan “freight grid”, including main roadway routes and road connectors. Within the many improvements identified, there is an improvement to 238th Ave between Glisan St and Halsey St. This project and other improvements will eliminate the need for the County to preserve the 242nd Ave right-of-way north of Glisan St..

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

Steering Committee members included: Councilor Shirley Craddick, Metro; Mayor Mike Weatherby, City of Fairview; Mayor Jim Kight, City of Troutdale; Mayor Patricia Smith, City of Wood Village; Mayor Shane Bemis, City of Gresham; Commissioner Diane McKeel, Multnomah County; Rian Windsheimer, ODOT; Steve Entenman, East Metro Economic Alliance; Mark Garber, East Metro Economic Alliance; Carol Rulla, Coalition of Gresham Neighborhoods; Greg Olson, Multnomah County Bicycle and Pedestrian Citizen Advisory Committee; Councilor Diana Helm, City of Damascus; Commissioner Paul Savas, Clackamas County; Alan Lehto, TriMet; Susie Lahsene, Port of Portland; Hector Osuna, El Programa Hispano; Dwight Unti, Tokola Properties; Ron Cazares, FedEx; and Jane Van Dyke, Columbia Slough Watershed. Steering Committee meetings were open to the public and one meeting was followed by a community open house.

The Steering Committee endorsed the Plan on June 6, 2012. EMCTC endorsed the Plan on June 11, 2012.

The EMCP action plan will go to local elected councils for endorsement, including Troutdale, Wood Village, Multnomah County, Gresham, Fairview, and the Metro Council. Troutdale’s City Council unanimously endorsed the plan on June 26, 2012.

Required Signature

**Elected Official or
Department/
Agency Director:**

Diane McKeel

Date: 6/28/2012
