

## **AGENDA**

# Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization

# **Citizens Advisory Committee**

Date: Friday, September 25, 2020

*Time:* 2:00 p.m.

**Location:** Courtyard Conference Room, Grants Pass City Hall

101 NW "A" Street, Grants Pass, OR

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MRMPO website: www.mrmpo.org

1	Call to Order / Introductions / Review Agenda	Chair	
Presentation/Discussion Items			
2	Presentation: Why Are There MPOs?	Karl Welzenbach	
3	Purpose of Citizens Advisory Committee	Valerie Lovelace / Karl Welzenbach	
Action Items			
4	Election of Chair and Vice Chair	Committee Members	
5	Bylaws and Future Meeting Date and Time	Committee Members	
Attachment	#1   <u>Bylaws</u>		
6	Public Comment		
Regular Updates			
7	MPO Planning Update	Karl Welzenbach	

8	Other Business / Local Business Opportunity for MRMPO member jurisdictions to talk about transportation planning projects.	Chair
9	Adjournment	Chair

- The next MRMPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting will be **Thursday**, **October 1, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Courtyard Conference Room at Grants Pass City Hall.
- The next MRMPO Policy Committee meeting will be **September 17, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.** in the Courtyard Conference Room at Grants Pass City Hall.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT RVCOG, 541-664-6674. REASONABLE ADVANCE NOTICE OF THE NEED FOR ACCOMMODATION PRIOR TO THE MEETING (48 HOURS ADVANCE NOTICE IS PREFERABLE) WILL ENABLE US TO MAKE REASONABLE ARRANGEMENTS TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY TO THIS MEETING.

#### **BYLAWS**

# ROGUE VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (RVCOG) METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

#### **ARTICLE I**

#### Name

This committee shall be known as the Citizens Advisory Committee of the Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization (MRMPO).

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### Purpose

The Citizens Advisory Committee serves as a community forum to exchange information, convey input from the public, and ascertain public opinion on transportation planning activities of the MRMPO.

Section 1. Duties of the Citizens Advisory Committee

- a. Represent the interests of citizens within the respective Jurisdictions or topical area of interest, as defined in Article III, Section 1 (d) and (e) of these bylaws.
- b. Serve as a communication link between the public and the MRMPO regarding transportation planning activities.
- c. Provide feedback to MRMPO staff during the development and implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan, the Transportation Improvement Program and air quality conformity activities.
- d. Provide recommendations to the MRMPO Policy Committee.

## ARTICLE III

## Membership - Voting

Section 1. Membership of the Committee

a. Members of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) consist are appointed by the Policy Committee and shall consist of representatives from the member local governments and

special interests representatives as delineated in this section.

- b. Members of the Citizens Advisory Committee may not be an elected official nor an employee of the jurisdiction for which they are appointed to represent.
- c. There are a total of eleven (11) possible seats on the Citizens Advisory Committee: eight (8) seats for representation from the member local governments and three (3) representatives for identified special interests. Appointees representing member local governments must reside, own property or operate a business within the jurisdiction that they represent. Appointees representing special interests must reside, own property or operate a business within the MRMPO's Planning Boundary
- d. The apportionment of jurisdictional representatives are:
  - City of Grants Pass 3 members
  - City of Rogue River 1 member
  - City of Gold Hill 1 member
  - Josephine County 2 members
  - Jackson County 1 member
- e. Three (3) additional seats on the Committee might be considered, one (1) for each of the following special interests: Freight industry, Mass transit, and Active Transportation.

## Section 2. Appointment and Tenure of Committee Membership

- a. Vacancies in an office shall be appointed either by the jurisdictional representative on the MRMPO Policy Committee or by the Committee as a whole with respect to representation of the identified special interests. The Citizens Advisory Committee may make a recommendation to the Policy Committee regarding reappointment and/or removal of a serving member.
- b. Citizens Advisory Committee members will be appointed by the MRMPO Policy Committee. The MRMPO Policy Committee reserves the right to add, reduce or otherwise modify the membership of the Citizens Advisory Committee at its discretion.
- c. The term of office on the Committee shall begin the day the member is appointed and shall continue for two years, except that such term of office shall terminate immediately upon:
  - Relocation outside the MRMPO's Planning Boundary or outside the Jurisdiction which the member represents; or,
  - Unexcused absence from three regularly scheduled, consecutive meetings.

### Section 3. Voting Privileges

a. Each member who is present at regular or special meetings shall be entitled to one vote on all issues presented.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### **Meetings**

# Section 1. Regular Meetings (To Be Determined)

a. The Committee shall hold its regular meeting on the **xth day the week** of alternating months. No meeting shall be held during the month of December.

### Section 2. Special Meetings

- b. Special meetings may be called by MRMPO's Planning Program Manager's designated staff on seven (7) days notice.
- c. The person calling such special meeting shall fix the time and place for holding of such meeting.

### Section 3. Conduct of Meetings

- a. Official action may be taken by the Committee when a quorum is present.
- b. A quorum shall exist when a majority of appointed members are present.
- c. The voting on all questions coming before the MPO Citizens Advisory Committee shall be by voice vote and decided by a simple majority of members present. The ayes and nays shall be entered in the minutes of such meeting. If a motion on question fails to receive a second, deliberation shall continue until a motion or definitive action is offered and passed.

# ARTICLE V

## Officers and Duties

### Section 1. Officers

a. The officers of the Committee shall be a Chair and Vice Chair, to be elected by the Committee at the first meeting of the calendar year.

#### Section 2. Term of Office

a. The officers shall hold office for a period of one (1) year.

#### Section 3. Duties of Officers

- a. The Chair shall preside over the meeting.
- b. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair shall perform all Chair duties.

### Section 4. Ex Officio Members

- a. The RVCOG's Planning Program Manager shall be an ex-officio, non-voting member of the Committee. The program manager shall be responsible for staff support of the Committee, including minute taking and record keeping.
- b. The Oregon Department of Transportation, Region 3 may appoint a representative who shall be responsible for assisting the Citizens Advisory Committee with understanding the State's initiatives and ongoing projects within the MRMPO planning boundary.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

#### Amendments to Bylaws

#### Section 1.

- a. These bylaws may be amended or repealed or new bylaws may be adopted by a supermajority vote of two thirds of the members of the Committee present at any regular or special meeting called for that purpose. Written notice of proposed amendments shall be given to the membership of the Committee at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the meeting at which the bylaws are to be considered. Any objections to the proposed amendments shall be forwarded to MRMPO's Planning Program Manager.
- b. Amendments to the bylaws shall become effective upon approval by the MRMPO Policy Committee.

Approved by the MRMPO Policy Committee:

Valerie Lovelace, Chair

Date