



June 16, 2021

To: Metropolitan Policy Committee

From: Brenda Wilson

Subject: MPC 6.a: Proposed Amendments to MPC Bylaws

**Action Recommended:** Provide feedback and direction to staff

### **Background and Discussion**

The City of Coburg has requested consideration of amendments to the MPC Bylaws that would allow the City to appoint either an elected or appointed City official to serve on MPC. Coburg has indicated that this would ensure a more manageable workload among their elected and appointed officials, and better ensure full attendance of the Coburg member at MPC meetings.

The MPC Bylaws state that “the City of Coburg shall appoint an elected official from that jurisdiction to serve as a voting member” and that “Councils ... may appoint an elected official alternate.”

When considering certain topics, MPC currently has non-elected appointed officials and staff serving as voting members, such as LTD and ODOT members.

To amend the MPC Bylaws, the current Bylaws state:

These bylaws may be amended or repealed, or new bylaws may be adopted, by an affirmative vote of the majority of the members of the Committee present at any meeting called for that purpose at which a quorum is present. Written notice of such proposed amendment and the nature thereof shall have been given to the membership of the Committee and the Councils and Board of Commissioners at least 30 days prior to the date of the meeting at which the amendments are to be considered. Distribution of proposed bylaw changes to the Chief Administrative Officers of members [sic] agencies shall be in addition to notice to Councils and Boards. Any Council or Board objections to the proposed amendments shall be forwarded to MPC within 30 days of receipt.

For the purposes of considering and voting on amendments to the Bylaws, only the MPC members from Eugene, Springfield, and Lane County constitute the MPC membership.

Staff is proposing two simple amendments to the Bylaws (included with this memo as Attachment 1), as shown here:

- *Under Article III, Section 3.C* “The City of Coburg shall appoint an elected or appointed official from that jurisdiction to serve as a voting member.”
- Under Article III, Section 4 “The City of Coburg may appoint an elected or appointed official alternate.”

As noted earlier, amending the MPC Bylaws requires advance notice. This agenda item is intended to elicit feedback and direction from MPC members on the proposed amendments. If so directed, staff will then issue the required written notices to “the membership of the Committee and the Councils and Board of Commissioners” and to “the Chief Administrative Officers of members agencies,” and formal consideration of the proposed amendments will be scheduled for the August, 2021 MPC meeting.

### **Requested Actions**

- Provide feedback and direction to staff

### **Attachments**

1. MPC Bylaws