

September 27, 2023

To: Metropolitan Policy Committee

From: Paul Thompson

Subject: MPC 6.a: Amendment to MPC Bylaws to Include Coburg in CFEC Governance

Structure

Action Recommended: Approve amendment to MPC Bylaws

Background and Discussion

As presented and discussed at the June 2023 MPC meeting, the Oregon Land Conservation and Development Commission's Climate-Friendly and Equitable Communities (CFEC) rules require jurisdictions in the Eugene-Springfield metropolitan area to implement the existing Central Lane Scenario Plan (CLSP) developed in 2015 by the Central Lane MPO, and jointly develop regional performance measures and targets to measure and track progress towards implementation of the preferred scenario and meeting the region's Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reduction target that is in the state's Administrative Rules. CFEC rulemaking required this metropolitan area to submit a work program for implementing the preferred scenario, including a proposed Governance Structure, Scope of Work, Community Engagement Plan, Funding Estimate, and Schedule.

MPC unanimously approved a motion "to approve MPC as the proposed governance structure for the Scenario Planning Work Program and direct staff to include Coburg in the governance structure via amendments to the MPC bylaws."

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These bylaws may be amended or repealed, or new bylaws may be adopted, by an affirmative vote of the majority of the members of the Committee present at any meeting called for that purpose at which a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.

Note that 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 one simple amendment to the Bylaws (included with the redlined amendment as Attachment 1) to add the same sentence currently in the Bylaws that adds Coburg to the MPO function of MPC:

 "The City of Coburg shall appoint an elected or appointed official from that jurisdiction to serve as a voting member."

Under the proposed amendment, that sentence would be added to Section 3.B of the Bylaws governing membership on MPC "for consideration of metropolitan transportation matters."

The MPC's advisory Transportation Planning Committee unanimously recommends approval of this amendment.

Requested Action

Approve amendment to MPC Bylaws

Attachments

1. MPC Bylaws, Redlined with proposed amendment