

Washington County Reserves Coordinating Committee

June 9, 2008 Meeting

General Meeting Notes / Action Items

(1) Committee Chairman Tom Brian opened meeting at approximately 1:34 pm.

Attendance:

Committee: Aaron Johnson, city of North Plains; Jef Dalin, city of Cornelius; Kathryn Harrington, Metro; Carl Hosticka, Metro; Chris Barhyte, city of Tualatin; Gretchen Buener, city of Tigard; Clark Balfour, TVF&R / Special Districts; Richard Kidd, city of Forest Grove; Andy Duyck, BCC / CWS; Tom Brian, BCC / Committee Chairman; Desari Strader, BCC / Unincorporated Washington County; Keith Mays, city of Sherwood; Lou Ogden, city of Tualatin; Larry Duyck, Washington County Farm Bureau; Dave Vanasche, Washington County Farm Bureau (alternate)

Staff & Public: Brent Curtis, Steve Kelley, Mike Dahlstrom - Washington County staff; Dave Wells, King City; Steven Sparks, city of Beaverton; Julia Hajduk, city of Sherwood; Jim Hough, city of Banks; Susie Anthony, CPO-8; Henry Oberhelman, CPO-8; Art Lutz, Sarah Nashif; Bob Peterkort; Carol Chesarek, Forest Park Neighborhood; Ken Ray, Metro; Anne Madden, Washington County – LUT; John O'Neil; Ric Stephens, ULI; Thane Tienson; Jon Holan, city of Forest Grove; Dave Waffle, city of Cornelius; Adelle Jenike, Fred Von Domelen; Jeff Johnson, TVF&R, Nora Curtis, CWS; Mark Ottenad, city of Wilsonville; Ron Bunch, city of Tigard.

(2) Public Comments: Approximately 12 members of the general public were in attendance – no comments were offered.

(3) **ACTION ITEM(s):** By-laws:

Tom Brian noted prior discussions by the Committee of need for representation from agriculture. Tom introduced recommendation for the addition of ag representative from the Washington County Farm Bureau.

Motion: Andy Duyck moved to amend By-laws and add an agriculture representative and alternate to Committee membership.

2nd: Mr. Duyck's motion was seconded by Richard Kidd.

Discussion: Keith Mays noted he had previously recommended that special districts not have voting rights on the Committee.

Motion: Keith Mays moved to amend the motion on the table to make the new position for the agricultural representative a non-voting position.

2nd: Gretchen Buener seconded Mr. Mays motion.

Discussion: Andy Duyck stated that the Committee should be "inclusive" since special districts continue to play an important role in provision of urban services.

Tom Brian: stated that he does not understand the value of making these positions "non-voting"

Clark Balfor: agreed with Andy Duyck – noted that everyone having a seat on the Committee should have a vote.

Gretchen B.: stated that it appeared the Committee has two representatives from special districts: (CWS & all others).

Tom B.: noted that this Committee structure was based upon the successful process for Goal 5 under the TBNRCC.

Tom B.: reminded Committee of motion to amend;

Vote: Aye – 2; Nay – 9 – Motion Fails;

Motion to **add agricultural representative and alternate:**

Vote: Aye – Unanimous;

Washington County Farm Bureau nominates: Larry Duyck as representative and Dave VanAsche as alternate.

Jeff Dalin provided two comments:

1. Reminded Committee of discussion at the previous meeting regarding a recommendation to allow city officials to be formally recognized as alternates on the Committee.
2. Noted that the April 8 amendment to the bylaws requiring 8 votes to constitute a quorum was not added to the bylaws currently on the website.

Brent Curtis: noted bylaws mandate Action (in this case, recognizing alternates) be put on agenda in advance of the meeting. Therefore Jeff's comments will be taken as advance notice and item will be added to July meeting agenda.

Tom Brian: agreed it should be **added to the July meeting agenda.**

Project Updates: Brent Curtis provided updates on the following project elements:

- o Growth Forecast: '2005 to 2060 Regional Forecast for the Seven-County Portland-Beaverton-Vancouver OR-WA PMSA' – discussion of May 30th release event;
- o Forecast process outlined in February 27th memo: "Framing Growth Forecasts in the Context of Urban & Rural Reserves";
- o Growth Allocations – MetroScope modeling provides "top-down" allocations for large geographic areas of the region – local capacity analysis provides "bottom-up" validation and adjustments to allocations;

Gretchen B.: asked how often the forecast and capacity analysis would be reviewed

Brent C: Metro is required by law to go through Periodic Review every 5 years – RTP process occurs more frequently.

Chris Barhyte: discussed issues related to 'density' noted increases could bring conflict. Asked at what point the density questions would get addressed.

Brent C: noted as an "extreme example", Metro (as part of Functional Planning Authority) could require local jurisdictions to achieve 12 units per acre.

Chris B: noted that earlier meetings have not been addressing the density issues.

Gretchen B: recent UGB additions have much higher densities than older neighborhoods.

Carl Hosticka: asked if 'allocation' was being used as a legal or technical term (legal as in Table-1 of Title 1). Noted that at the end, Metro has option to make it policy.

Brent: Important to understand impacts and alternatives to decisions.

Carl H: prefers to begin discussion with "what do we want our communities to look like"? (for instance, in 2060 do we have single-family units?)

Tom Brian: noted that much change from what we currently have will be unpredictable

Chris B:

Action item: For an upcoming agenda item the committee should consider having a discussion regarding what the region might look like in 50 years; model what we want the region to look like – have a facilitated meeting – give some voice to social side.

Brent: noted that technical group intends to get to that point;

Gretchen B: critical to get forecasting; now we can ask public: how much infill, need to expand UGB? How can we work with the growth?

Larry VanDuyck: Ag is important – one constant that will not change: people will continue to eat!

Keith M: based on actions / policies, how much growth could be diverted to other areas / regions? Was this discussed in forecast?

Brent: short answer is: yes. Modeling process tries to take into account many possibilities.

Jef D: are there examples of historic changes in density?

Brent: example of Bethany history and changes in density.

Lou Ogden: Previously had Regional urban growth aspirations which lead to the Functional Plans for implementation.

Tom B: those original assumptions will be looked at – need to reexamine existing plans.

Lou O: What the region will look like was generally already decided on (RUGGO's, Functional Plan); Is that still viable?

Carl H: Using "Performance based tools", the conversation will continue – politics are difficult for people to interpret. Infill in single-family neighborhoods, some see as "high-density" – these will be the more difficult conversations. Important to discuss issues re: how the 'Growth Concept' gets implemented (for example, mixed-use and increased densities in Centers.)

Kathryn H: provided brief overview of June 9th Steering Committee activities:

- o Range Forecasts;
- o Recommendations for Reserves Study Area

Mike Dahlstrom: provided overview of upcoming Open House activities and information to be taken to public; noted first Open House will be held on Monday, June 16th at 5:00 pm at the Beaverton Resource Center;

Gretchen B: noted concern related to large senior population – may not be able to attend open houses or use computer to access information;

Other concerns: need to address ESL (especially farm workers);

Jef D: Hispanic population – need to accommodate 'families' / include translators;

Mike D: Also looking at coordinating with schools;

Jef D: El Centro Cultural / Virginia Garcia Center in Cornelius;

Jim Hough: asked if we are looking at getting coordination word out through radio & t.v.;

Mike: Press releases; TVCTV.

Tom B: Meeting adjourned at approx. 2:54 pm.

