

**CANBY CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MINUTES
October 26, 2005**

Presiding: Council President Teresa Blackwell. Mayor Melody Thompson was absent.

Council Present: Roger Harris, Walt Daniels, Georgia Newton, Wayne Oliver, and Randy Carson.

Staff Present: Mark Adcock, City Administrator; John Williams, Community Development & Planning Director; Margaret Yochem, Transit & General Services Director; and Melissa York, Office Specialist.

Others Present: Lynn Peterson, Clackamas County Representative on JPACT.

Council President Blackwell called the workshop to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at City Hall.

Ms. Lynn Peterson, Clackamas County Representative on JPACT gave an overview of how the Portland region is doing with transportation funding and explained how counties, cities and states fund transportation. There is a transportation deficit in terms of funding projects and keeping communities livable.

Councilor Daniels asked why the gas tax had not been raised. Ms. Peterson said the State Legislature can increase it without going to the voters. It had been increased in 1999 and was put on the ballot by initiative and failed.

Discussions took place regarding the best ways to get small town transportation issues addressed at regional and state levels.

John Williams, Community Development and Planning Director stated that 60-65% of Canby residents commute out of Canby.

Ms. Peterson said Clackamas County had missed opportunities by not being coordinated. Washington County and Multnomah County had found ways to help their cities achieve their goals. Cities such as Canby, Estacada, and Lake Oswego were going to their state and federal representatives requesting money. Washington County cities did not do that as they had a county taking care of them. It would be helpful to start thinking and coordinating as a county.

Mr. Harris said it seemed like a good proposal to work in coordination since 65% commuted out of Canby.

Ms. Peterson talked about the long term planning for light rail and a transit system. There was very little money to operate any more service in the Portland region today. They would barely be able to get the I-205 light rail up and running. Every community outside

the urban area wanted higher levels of service.

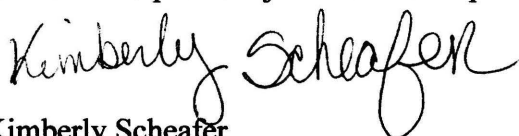
Ms. Peterson said no matter how much the gas tax is increased, it has to go to roads, but the vehicle registration fee was not dedicated. She was worried about continuing to bond against small increases in vehicle registration.

Mark Adcock, City Administrator said if there was going to be any city coordination with the county, the elected officials at the Clackamas County Coordinating Commission would need to make it happen.

Mr. Adcock talked about what would happen if the cities could not get together with the county to coordinate. This was the first regional government environment that he had worked in.

Ms. Peterson said so far the cities had not been able to articulate what the county would look like in twenty years and articulate that vision to Metro.

The workshop was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.


Kimberly Scheafer
City Recorder Pro Tem


Teresa Blackwell
Council President

Assisted with preparation of Minutes – Melissa York