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Lane Area Commission on Transportation
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TO: Lane Area Commission on Transportation

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SUBJECT: Agenda Item 7: Authorize Recruitment Process for Stakeholder Members

Action Recommended: Authorize a Recruitment Process.

Background

The Bylaws (IV.A. Voting Members) set forth the process for the voting members for the Lane Area Commission on Transportation (LaneACT). In addition to the 21 initial members:

“Designated Stakeholders: Following public advertisement, LACT shall appoint four Designated Stakeholder members to represent each of the following designated interests:

- a. Trucking;
- b. Rail;
- c. Bicycle and Pedestrians; and
- d. Environmental Land Use.

Designated Stakeholder members must reside in the Area or represent a business or organization that operates in the Area.

Other Stakeholders: Following public advertisement, LACT shall appoint between four and six Other Stakeholder members to represent other interests. The Other Stakeholder members should be selected, to the greatest extent possible, to represent a diversity of interests, which may include airports, public transit (bus & rail) riders, business, tourism, public safety, public health, schools, neighborhoods, senior citizens, special transportation needs, minorities, environment, parts of Lane County not otherwise well represented on LACT, and other interests. Other Stakeholder members must reside in the Area or represent a business or organization that operates in the Area.

Appointment: The initial members “will ... appoint the four Designated Stakeholder members. Once these four Designated Stakeholder members are seated, LACT will appoint the Other Stakeholder members.”

Discussion

The Bylaws provide for a two step process for making the appointments for the Designated and Other Stakeholder members. Staff recommends a single recruitment process that will result in a

pool of applicants sufficient to complete both rounds of appointments, with the full membership of the ACT being seated by June 2011.

A draft recruitment plan and stakeholder application is attached. The draft plan provides for a public recruitment process that will reach the broadest number of citizens and community organizations as possible, keeping within the financial resources available. With the assistance of the members' agencies and organizations, a diverse group of applicants can be reached.

In order for the LaneACT, to make the Designated Stakeholder members appointments at its April 2011 meeting, the recruitment process will need to begin February 9 and be completed by April 1. That timeframe includes a selection process conducted by a Nominating Subcommittee, if one should be formed, which will present its recommendations for appointments at the April 13th meeting. If appointments are made at the April meeting, the Designated Stakeholder members will be seated at the May 11th meeting of the LaneACT. The Nominating Subcommittee will then make recommendations for the four to six Other Stakeholders from the remaining pool of applicants at the LaneACT's May meeting, with the members being seated at the June 8th meeting. Agenda item 8 includes a draft calendar showing the recruitment and selection process.

At your March meeting, you will be asked to decide on whether you want a Nominating Subcommittee, and if so to appoint one. In addition, the Bylaws require Designated and Other Stakeholders to serve staggered four-year terms; in March, you will be asked to decide on how the positions should be "staggered."

Options

The following options are available for LaneACT consideration.

1. Make any desired changes and approve the Recruitment Plan and timeline.
2. Provide feedback and set the item to the next agenda.

Recommendation

Option 1 – approve a Recruitment Plan and timeline.