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MEETING SUMMARY ODOT/ACEC Liaison Committee

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2775 - 19th ST SE,
Salem, Conference A

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1.0 Welcome/Introductions (Marc Butorac /Tom Lauer)

The meeting opened with a welcome from Tom Lauer and Marc Butorac, who then invited attendees to introduce themselves. There were 38 attendees in total.

2.0 ACEC Steering Committee (Cathy Nelson/Kay Van Sickle)

Cathy:

- The Steering Committee has gone to a shorter schedule and will be meeting right after this meeting;
- Continuing to have conversations with OPO to improve process;
- Opened up discussions to update the ACEC partnering agreement: what the purpose is, how we operate, how we communicate, and any changes that need to be made; and
- Looking for input from ACEC on what smaller departments should look like as ODOT continues to right size.

Kay:

- Also having discussions with the local program regarding some of the solicitation issues.

3.0 Procurement & Contracts Standing Committee (Michelle Remmy, Dan Oven, Dave Simmons)

Dan:

- OPO is talking with partners and looking at documents and are reviewing language that might need to change b/c of recent House Bill 3316 (ups our direct appointment limit from \$50k to \$100k.) Local governments will have to adjust to a wider spread QVS solicitation. Will expand into the EIS program as well.)

- Looking at replacing architect price agreement in the next 6 months
- Region 1: Public Involvement RFP—more to come as Dan gets details
- Procurement office is taking on Aviation’s procurements—working right now with Department of Aviation and DAS facilities as far what that will look like

Michelle:

- Haven’t had an opportunity to meet with Dave Simmons, so the plan is just to get together with him to get perspective on membership and work done by the committee in the past few years.

Donnell:

- Major projects: Into the design enhancements on the Willamette River Bridge; ordering equipment for OWIN project.

Tom:

- Beginning close-out on contracts—will take about 18 months to 2 years to do them all. Process will take time. Many of consultants will find ODOT coming to them with small bits of paperwork as ODOT goes through all of the contracts methodically.
 - Kay (Q) How did the conversation go with the legislation on the OWIN project?
 - Tom (A): Project has been downsized and re-scoped. # of sites that will see new towers has drastically been reduced from 300 to 30. \$120 million through 2011 expenditure; about \$43 million budgeted for the next couple of years. What is being built in the first two phases is fully expandable statewide. Process is moving quickly.

4.0 Technology Transfer Standing Committee (Holly Winston, Steve Litchfield, Aaron Isenhardt)

Holly:

- The Technology Transfer Standing Committee is working on several things to make consultant work easier and information available right away. ODOT has scanned all of their as-builts and ROWs and they are now available. Tom Lauer suggested giving a demonstration of the website at the next meeting in September.) The committee is working on a password for outsiders.
- Committee is also working on the STIP to make it easier to navigate by creating a ‘flat’ file in Excel. By show of hands there was great interest from ACEC members to have access to such a file.

5.0 Environmental & Planning Standing Committee Update (Marc Butorac)

Marc:

- Environmental conference went well in April.
- On-going discussions regarding the ‘cone of silence’ and when it comes down on projects.
- Conflict of Interest clarifications have been requested on Newberg Dundee and CRC projects.
- ODOT has a new draft conflict of interest policy that will be working its way through the review and comment process.

- Transportation Planning Rule (TPR) amendments will go before the LCDC for adoption in December. The amendments will address how performance standards will be applied in Urban Center and how TPR should apply.
- There's a group working on travel demand modeling that's leading to some training for ODOT and ACEC. Scheduled to meet 3 more times then will shift towards outreach.

6.0 Local Agency (No representation from the Local Agency)

Holly: Bridge Scoping RFP is out.

Dan: ODOT Local Government section is still working internally on this scoping RFP. The RFP will not be ready to release to the industry for approximately 45 days.

7.0 ODOT Updates–Tom Lauer

- Legislation is over and the budget has been decided, though not yet signed by the Governor. ODOT is relieved to have process done.
- Chris Strickland has been hired to be the new lead for the Columbia River Crossing.
- Jim Cox is now leading out of Tom's office on CRC.
- Marty Anderson, ODOT Local Agency Program Manager, is retiring at the end of the month.
- Local Program unit will be moving
- TDT: Erik Havig is now the program manager.
- Still have a lot of major recruitments going on.
- Secretary of State has requested that agencies drill down into their procurement practices. (Wondering how it will work as retired ODOT employees enter the consultant arena.)
- There will be follow-up on some internal ODOT audits regarding OWEN project, procurement process. All are going well. Tom encourages audits of all of the programs.
- There is the potential for a strike by some ODOT employees later this summer. It is advised that consultants contact the local ODOT office during strike activities to get a determination on how to best access the buildings.

Not on Agenda (NOA's) – All

None

8.0 Meeting Adjourned