

# PDX COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING #24

Wednesday, October 18, 2017

## Portland International Airport St Helens Room B

Name	Interest Represented	Attendance
VOTING MEMBERS		•
Erwin Bergman	Central Northeast Neighbors	Present
Tina Burke	Airport Employee	Present
Tony DeFalco	Environmental Justice	Present
Vacant	Business Organization	
Katie Larsell	Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission	Present
	East Multnomah County Neighborhood (City of Fairview,	
Dick Goldie	Gresham, Maywood Park, Troutdale, and Wood Village)	Absent
Maryhelen Kincaid	Citywide Land Use Committee	Present
Vacant	Passenger Airline	
Micah Meskel	Environment/Wildlife/Natural Resources	Present
Jeff Owen	Multi-modal transportation representative	Present
Col. Chris Lantagne	Military	Present
Joey Quitugua	General Aviation	Present
Ahmed Abed-Rabuh	Air Cargo	Absent
Ron Glanville	East Portland Neighborhood Office	Present
	Clark County neighborhood representative	
Dr. Steven Sachs	(Camas/Washougal)	Present
Martin Slapikas	North Portland Neighborhood Services	Present
Mike Sloan	Vancouver neighborhood	Present
Joe Smith	PDX Citizen Noise Advisory Committee	Present
Adam Lyons	Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods	Present
Corrina Chase	Columbia Slough Watershed Council	Absent
NON-VOTING MEMBI	ERS	
Nick Atwell	PDX Wildlife Committee staff	Present
Barbara Cartmill	Clackamas County	Present
Chris Deffenbach	Washington County	Present
	Vancouver Community Development Director (or	
Chad Eiken	designee)	Present
Vacant	Federal Aviation Administration	
Vince Granato	Chief Operating Officer (or designee)	Present
Dan Moeller	Metro	Present



	Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability Director	
Tom Armstrong	(or designee)	Present
Matt Herman	Clark County	Present
John Wasiutynski	Multnomah County	Absent

#### Port Staff and Consultants Present: Sam Imperati, Devin Howington, Chris White,

Sean Loughran, Mike Coleman, Dionna Hickox, Dan Pippenger, Aaron Ray, Phil Ralston, Maureen Minister, Devon Webster

#### Public and Invited Guests Present: Cm. Sgt. Dan Conner, ORANG

## **Introductory Comments**

Mr. Sam Imperati offered greetings and welcome to everyone to the 24<sup>th</sup> quarterly meeting of the PDX CAC. Mr. Imperati offered appreciation to Kenny and Zukes Deli, who provided the food for the meeting.

#### PDX CAC Member information and updates:

- Two members are retiring at the end of the year:
  - Ms. Barbara Cartmill from Clackamas County is retiring and Mr. Dan Johnson will be stepping in for her. Mr. Dan Johnson is the Assistant Director of Transportation and Development for Clackamas County.
  - Mr. Gordy Euler is retiring and today Mr. Matt Herman is stepping in for him. Mr. Matt Herman said he has been a planner for the last 12 years (four years in Clark County), and he served on the transportation unit. Mr. Herman said he is excited to be part of the committee.
- Mr. Imperati reported that a few people would not be joining us for the tour later in the meeting; 13 total members and staff will be joining the tour.

## Meeting Agenda Review

Mr. Imperati noted that the CAC will have a different type of meeting today because the group will be taking a tour of the airport, related to their previous work, later in the meeting. This format is based on feedback we received from CAC members and recommendations of the Coordinating Committee. Mr. Imperati noted today's agenda:

- Housekeeping
- Vote for a new Vice Chair for the committee. Ms. Tina Burke and Mr. Ron Glanville will say a few words about their candidacy prior to the vote.
- Discuss the Airport Futures Natural Resource Program Update and vote on new grants.
- Hear any public comment.
- Leave at 1:45 pm for a brief educational tour of PDX facilities, related to previous work of the CAC.



#### Mr. Sam Imperati went over the handouts in the packet:

- Today's Meeting Agenda
- Draft Meeting Notes from June 21
- PDX Business Update
- PowerPoint presentation on Airport Futures Natural Resources Program Update
- Fact sheet describing Columbia Slough Watershed Council's projects
- Flyer on Friends of Trees plantings sponsored by the Port. Please join Port staff at any of these plantings.
- Flyer on Port volunteer event at the Sandy River Delta on Nov. 4. Please join Port staff if you are interested.

#### June Meeting Notes Approval

Following the June Meeting, Mr. Erwin Bergman called Mr. Imperati to correct a statement in the June Meeting notes on Page 12, middle of first bullet.

It said, "Mr. Imperati stated that he wanted to allow other members to comment, but reminded everyone that CNAC is the main body that deals with noise and <u>is the forum in which actual decisions are made</u>." (Emphasis added.)

It now reads, "Mr. Imperati stated that he wanted to allow other members to comment, but reminded everyone that CNAC is the main body that deals with noise and <u>is the appropriate forum for this</u> <u>discussion</u>. (Emphasis added.)

Mr. Sam Imperati asked if there were any additions, retractions, or objections to the June meeting notes. There were none and they were deemed approved.

## Announcements:

<u>Hillsboro Airshow:</u> Mr. Imperati asked if any CAC members attended the Hillsboro Airshow with the complimentary tickets provided by the Port. Mr. Joe Smith said he took his two grandsons (aged 11 and 12) and said it was as wonderful a day as they have ever had. Mr. Smith reported they went early and spent a lot of time in all the exhibits, which he reported were the best part of the show for them. Dr. Steven Sachs said he had the privilege of touching a triggering mechanism for a Howitzer and he appreciates the Port for giving out the tickets. Mr. Erwin Bergman found the historic flight interesting and emotional and said it really showed how times have changed. Col. Chris Lantagne said that ORANG has had a long-standing relationship with the Hillsboro Airshow and he said it is a great opportunity to see what ORANG has going on.



<u>New Group Member</u>: Mr. Sam Imperati announced a new member of the group. The Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber will be a new voting member; they have yet to designate a delegate. Mr. Imperati said he is pleased to have them on the group, but he lamented that they will know all his jokes because of his previous work with the group.

<u>Trimet News</u>: Mr. Jeff Owen had some news about Trimet goings-on. Mr. Owen said that morning the general manager announced his retirement and is aiming to step down in February of next year. Mr. Owen said a big search is underway.

Mr. Jeff Owen also announced Trimet has released their proposals for bus service improvements, which includes a 24-hour bus service to PDX Airport, to the applause of the committee. Mr. Owen said they have a round of open houses between November  $1^{st} - 15^{th}$  and are also taking feedback on their website. In general, the new bus services may start at lower frequency and ramp up if successful. Mr. Owen said they hope to serve the employees and customers and complement the Red Line for those hours when the Red Line is closed. Mr. Joe Smith asked where the service would originate, and Mr. Owen said they are still working on that. He said it may serve a few nodes or may serve each of the Red Line stops.

## New Committee Vice Chair Vote

Mr. Imperati expressed regrets that our previous Vice Chair, Col. Jennifer Pardy, had left the CAC recently. Mr. Imperati said that in keeping with past practice, the Coordinating Committee has considered a variety of factors and discussed candidates for this position. They have received two interested candidates: Ms. Tina Burke with the TSA and Mr. Ron Glanville with the East Portland Neighborhood Office. Mr. Imperati said they both have amazing talents and gifts to offer but we can only pick one.

Each candidate gave a short introduction. Ms. Tina Burke introduced herself as the Assistant Federal Security Director of Mission Support, which is the administrative piece of TSA Oregon. She oversees over 700 employees throughout the state. Ms. Burke said she has an opportunity to share with the 500 TSA agents here and she would look forward to continuing that in role of Vice Chair. She mentioned she was a native Oregonian and that she worked on Capitol Hill but returned home 13 years ago.

Mr. Ron Glanville said he is a retired chef, culinary school instructor, and restaurateur. Mr. Glanville said he participated in the selection process for the restaurants in the airport and was greatly impressed by the whole process. Mr. Glanville said he is retired, but keeps up with activities to keep him busy and does a lot of volunteer work. He explained East Portland Neighbors is one of those volunteer jobs and explained a little bit about what they do. Mr. Glanville said he has a diverse background with diverse interests and involvements in church, community gardening, bee-keeping, and more. Mr. Glanville said



he believes he will be a voice of community in this group and that he hopes he can serve well in this position.

Mr. Sam Imperati asked if there were any other members that who like to be considered, and there were none.

Voting proceeded with ballots for all the voting members. The ballots were passed out, collected and counted during the later presentations. It was announced later in the meeting that Mr. Glanville won, and then moments after that another ballot was received with a vote for Ms. Tina Burke, which created a tie. Mr. Imperati announced the tie, and Ms. Maryhelen Kincaid asked why the group could not have two Vice Chairs and pointed out other committees had done that.

Ms. Tina Burke said she is happy to defer to Mr. Ron Glanville, and pointed out that we'd get a good meal from him and that he is retired and has more time for volunteering. Ms. Burke said she will be happy to continue with the committee and will look for future opportunities to contribute. Mr. Ron Glanville said he is open to both options. Ms. Burke indicated that Mr. Glanville should be the Vice Chair.

## Natural Resource Program Update

Mr. Sean Loughran introduced Mr. Aaron Ray as a new Aviation Planner, who joins them from the City of Hillsboro. Mr. Sean Loughran said Mr. Ray has been with them for 14 weeks. Mr. Loughran encouraged everyone to get to know Mr. Ray. Mr. Loughran reminded the group that at the end of every year they do a presentation on the Natural Resource Program investments that are associated with Airport Futures, and Mr. Loughran gave a presentation with an accompanying handout, which he suggested that everyone study as he gave a brief overview of the program.

- Mr. Loughran gave background info and mentioned previous projects. He said now it is starting to really look like a program and they have now made a significant contribution. The handout has details about funds and number of people involved, etc.
- Mr. Loughran focused discussion on 2017 Natural Resource Program recommendations.
- Every year they solicit projects and work with an ad hoc committee of people to evaluate those projects. The Natural Resources Ad Hoc Committee members are: Corinna Chase (CAC), Tony DeFalco (CAC), Micah Meskel (CAC), Jennifer Devlin (City of Portland), Yoko Silk (City of Portland), Matthew Lee (Columbia Slough Watershed Council), and Sunny Simpkins (Multnomah Co. Drainage District).
- Mr. Loughran gave credit to Ms. Maureen Minister of the Port for her work as well. He also mentioned that the ad hoc committee has considerable natural resource expertise and they have done a great job reviewing projects.
- There is no change in the criteria that they have for the program (see slide 20 in the handout). Mr. Loughran said they want projects that speak to the intent of the program when set up in



2010. They also want to support projects that are long term commitments and consistent with the Wildlife Hazard Management Plan and are compatible with interests of public and private priorities.

- Four projects were selected this year. There is a short summary of the projects plus the amount requested in the packet.
- They have available \$62,505 for funds in this fiscal year and about \$80,000 in requests.
- Mr. Loughran briefly gave an overview of each of the projects before the vote:
  - <u>Columbia Slough Watershed Council NE 33<sup>rd</sup> Riparian Corridor Enhancement Project</u>: Project would replace invasive plants and put in native species and improve overall habitat, including shade and water quality and temperature. Oregon Food Bank is adjacent and would also be improved and they are partnering with them to get volunteers for the project. They are also looking for other businesses along the slough to adopt a part of the future and continue the restoration. The map of the project area is in the packet. Project cost: \$17,105
  - <u>Multnomah County Drainage District Columbia Slough Island Restoration</u>: Project would manage invasives, conduct weed control and establish natives shrubs and trees on islands within the Middle Columbia Slough. This area is subject to a lot of invasives and erosion and hopefully this project will plant some larger trees. This project would also help to control water temperature. Sources of weed seed are propagules. A map of this project is in the handout. Project cost: \$21,430.
  - <u>Portland Audubon Backyard Habitat Certification Program</u>: Audubon wants to bring the Backyard Habitat Certification Program at no coast into the neighborhoods within the watershed and most affected by the airport: Woodlawn, Concordia, and Cully. This would be an introductory version of the program and then they would build upon it as time continues. This project has an equity component in the outreach to households that might not typically participate. The aims are listed on slide 26 in the handout. Project cost: \$5,000.
  - <u>Verde Cully Park's North Slope Habitat Restoration Project</u>: Mr. Loughran mentioned the first project they funded with this program was with Cully Park, for \$30,000. Mr. Loughran said that the other organizers have raised millions of dollars and have a lot of resources to make this project work. Mr. Loughran also mentioned that this is the project that is the most time-sensitive because they are closing the final gaps in funding as they bring this project to completion. This project is further from the Slough than the others, but again focuses on habitat improvements and water quality improvements by converting a 3.6-acre North Slope into a native Columbia Gorge meadow landscape. Mr. Loughran mentioned that community engagement is part of this project. Project cost: \$40,000.



- The ad hoc committee had a lot of questions about each of the projects and went through a lot of refinement of the projects and checked all of them against the criteria. They concluded that all the projects have merit and could be good improvements. Mr. Loughran said they wanted to find a way to fund all the projects if they could.
- Mr. Loughran said Ms. Maureen Minister had a proposal that could potentially fund all four projects. They could fund the MCDD Island Restoration Project and the CSWC NE 33rd Project over the next two years, which makes sense for them because they occur over a longer period of time than the other two projects. That recommendation commits the full \$62,505 in the current fiscal year and commits \$21,030 in the 2018-2019 fiscal year (see slide 28 in the packet for details).
- Mr. Loughran asked Mr. Micah Meskel (Audubon) and Mr. Tony DeFalco (Verde) to say some words about the recommendations. Mr. Meskel said this is a great package of projects and the committee has had a great conversation around them to figure out how they fit within the purview of these grants. Mr. Meskel said the Portland Audubon project was drafted to create tangible benefits to underserved communities (like the Cully project). Those are tangible community benefits that would come with these projects while also providing the ecosystem benefits.
- Mr. Tony DeFalco said the conversation was really robust and they understand the benefits of each project. He mentioned it was nice to see the equity pieces of those projects which represents an advance in how to more holistically treat natural resources for both critters and people, and he is proud of that. He said the Cully Park project has been a long gestation but is truly a labor of love. That project totals 11.3 million dollars, much of that from small sources like this, so every dollar really counts. Mr. DeFalco said the 25-acre landfill is being converted to a park and will serve many low-income families and the neighborhood.
- Dr. Steven Sachs asked if water temperature was an issue, since many of the projects addressed that. Mr. Sean Loughran said it is a problem unique to the Slough. The Slough does not flow very much and the water heats up because it is sitting still and this causes problems. Mr. Loughran said the City's and the Port's regulatory obligations are to take care of the water temperature. Issues including fish kills, algae blooms, and slime are issues that can arise with higher temperature water. There was general discussion about water temperature and the nature of the Slough, explaining how the water flow and temperature contribute to problems.
- Dr. Sachs asked why the Cully Park project occupies around 80% of the money and why it was so much more expensive than the other requests. Mr. Sean Loughran said it is worth talking about the total scope of the project and leverage is one thing they consider. Mr. Tony DeFalco pointed out it is a 25-acre plot on which 4 acres will be restored to natural native habitat. Mr. DeFalco said the total project cost is about 11.5 million dollars and this contribution would leverage a huge amount of resources.
- Mr. Sean Loughran also pointed out these projects are harder to do than they thought. There are land ownership issues, etc. Also, they have to be multi-year because of site prep, planting,



monitoring, and maintenance. When they started this program, they hoped projects would be funded one year and then be done, but that is not possible with these kinds of multi-year projects. He gave credit to the organizations that are doing these smaller projects for being able to do a lot with little money.

- Dr. Sachs asked if the grants for this year were not required to be spent in this year, and Mr. Loughran said that was correct.
- Mr. Ron Glanville asked about funding partnerships and if these projects were getting money
  from other entities. Mr. Sean Loughran said what they put on the slide is the amount of
  contribution that was requested through Airport Futures, and these projects have other funds
  that are brought from other sources. He said Ms. Maureen Minister brought a few copies of
  overall costs of the projects. Mr. Glanville asked if they are partnering with other organizations
  and Mr. Loughran said yes, other groups do a number of outreach events and they are looking at
  engaging youth and other people in the community. He mentioned Friends of Trees as a partner
  with the Watershed Council in one of the projects.
- Ms. Maryhelen Kincaid said Multnomah County Drainage District partners with a lot of community organizations. Ms. Kincaid said she is in East Columbia (District 2) where there is a project to eradicate invasive species. Ms. Kincaid pointed out invasive species are a wide-spread problem and funding these projects would help to combat them. She also said the Drainage District does a good job of coordinating organizations to stop invasive species that benefits the whole area. Ms. Kincaid said the Audubon Backyard Habitat program has done good work in the past and she thinks it is beneficial and thinks it will be a really good program for the community.
- Mr. Sean Loughran said the Airport Futures Program is still involved with several projects including the Grassland Mitigation Project on Government Island, the urban tree canopy projects (\$20k per year), and the Columbia Slough watershed projects (\$30k per year). Mr. Loughran said the tree canopy and the Columbia Slough watershed projects funding have both grown 3 percent per year. Information on those projects is in the packet.
- Mr. Loughran reminded the committee that they did a multi-year deal with Friends of Trees for the tree canopy project last year. Mr. Loughran gave the dates for next year's tree plantings, and said it is always nice to get people from this group to go out for these events:
  - Columbia Children's Arboretum 1/20/18
  - Argay, Parkrose, Parkrose Heights, Russell, Wilkes 2/24/18
  - Columbia Slough Natural Area 3/10/18
  - Beaumont-Wilshire, Cully, Roseway 3/31/18
- After these updates, the committee voted on the funding proposals for the four projects reviewed earlier. Mr. Micah Meskel and Mr. Tony DeFalco recused themselves from the budget vote because they served on the Natural Resource Committee and all have projects recommended for funding (Ms. Corrina Chase was absent).



Mr. Imperati called the vote: Do you support the Natural Resource program to fund the four projects over two years as recommended by the ad hoc committee? The vote proceeded with a 1, 2, 3 voting system in which "1" indicates full support, "2" indicates agreement with the proposal but would prefer some modification to give full support, and "3" indicates refusal to support the proposal as stated. 11 People voted "1"; one member voted "2", no one voted "3". Dr. Steven Sachs stated that his basis for voting "2" was that he did not have enough time or enough detail to vote intelligently on the issue. His vote of two still supports consensus and there was no modification offered, and no one voted "3", so the vote passed.

## **PDX Updates**

Mr. Sean Loughran directed attention to the PDX Business Update handout in the packet, and said that Mr. Vince Granato, COO, would provide the PDX updates after he arrived from Seattle momentarily. Mr. Loughran introduced Mr. Phil Ralston, the Port's Environmental Director, to give an update on Airport Fire Fighting Foam issues.

Mr. Phil Ralston said this would be a brief update and he would be back in January to give a more thorough update. Mr. Ralston said the FAA requires that the Fire Department use Aqueous Film Forming Foam (AFFF) as part of their fire-fighting training and procedures. Mr. Ralston said the Department of Defense historically has used the same materials. Mr. Ralston reported there are two chemicals in the foam (PFOS and PFOA) which are a particular concern to regulators and researchers, particularly if it gets into drinking water. Mr. Ralston said this is an international issue, and the chemicals have been out of production and are not used anymore, but they want to know where these chemicals might be persisting in the environment. Mr. Ralston said they are working with Oregon DEQ on investigation of the airfield to find out where it has been used, where it might have gone into groundwater and to describe the nature and intent of those chemicals. He said he will have results later in the fall and will come back in January to give the report on the results.

Mr. Micah Meskel asked if they are also investigating the Hillsboro airport for the chemicals. Mr. Phil Ralston said they were only looking at PDX because the chemicals were used by firefighters and there are no Port firefighter based at the Hillsboro airport.

Mr. Dan Moeller asked what prompted the search. Mr. Phil Ralston said there is growing understanding that these chemicals are harmful. Mr. Ralston said there is no regulation here yet, but they have asked municipalities to check drinking water. Mr. Ralston said they have already checked the well three miles from PDX and those chemicals are not present in that well. Mr. Ralston said most airports are starting to investigate these chemicals voluntarily, including PDX. Mr. Ralston pointed out these chemicals are everywhere due to their widespread use (Teflon, fire-resistant substances, etc.) and have been found in our blood stream as well.



Col. Chris Lantagne said the Oregon Air National Guard is concerned as well and is sharing data with PDX in this investigation. Col. Lantagne said the military used the foam from the early '70's – late '80's in the past, and they are going through and checking ten different sites on base and working with DEQ and their headquarters to look for the chemicals on the ground there as well.

Mr. Erwin Bergman said they used the foam in the northwest area for fire drills and that he used to see the black smoke from those. Mr. Phil Ralston said that was the primary place of investigation. Mr. Bergman asked about other potential sites, and Mr. Ralston said there were not many others but they are looking at historical records to try to find those places where the foam might have been used.

Mr. Vince Granato arrived, and he and Mr. Sean Loughran gave some brief updates in order to make the tour on time. Mr. Loughran said anyone can ask more questions during the tour.

Mr. Loughran directed the committee's attention to the business report handout in the packet. He pointed out the continued growth; this year passenger growth is 5.7%, and they continue to see strong growth. Mr. Loughran reported the eclipse was a big event at PDX with passenger numbers and rental car numbers, and things went well for that event.

Mr. Loughran pointed out cargo volume is up 7.7%. He reported Cathay Pacific has added a third weekly flight to Hong Kong in September. Due to a couple of factors in the industry, some commercial services have changed. Mr. Loughran said he had previously talked about PenAir service to Klamath Falls. Mr. Loughran reported that despite everyone working hard to make sure the service continued, PenAir has discontinued commercial air service in the Pacific Northwest, which included Klamath Falls and other smaller airports. Mr. Loughran said this is a big blow to those rural communities. Mr. Loughran said the Port continues to work to make that service happen and expressed concern about the TSA employees in Klamath Falls.

Ms. Tina Burke said the TSA employees are not out of work in Klamath Falls yet, but they are commuting back and forth to Medford. Ms. Burke said that they have 90 days to get another carrier for service there, but that seems unlikely to happen within that timeline, and so most employees will transfer to Medford.

Mr. Sean Loughran said pilot shortages have been a serious issue and they are worse now. He reported the shortages hit Alaska Airlines, particularly the Horizon Air unit, very hard. Mr. Loughran said the impacts are greatest for the smaller planes in the fleet and they have seen changes in some commuter flights because of that. Mr. Loughran said there was no easy solution and it will take a lot of work to make that issue more manageable for the airlines.

## **Public Comment**



Mr. Imperati asked if there was any public comment, and Mr. Smith wanted to make a comment.

Mr. Joe Smith stated Alaska Airlines gave a bonus to virtually all their employees earlier this year, and wants to compliment Alaska Airlines for doing that.

Mr. Joe Smith also said he likes the sign indicating if the long-term parking lot was closed or open, but the issue is that someone would be beyond the economy lot if they came from 82<sup>nd</sup>. Mr. Smith said an easy fix would be if the sign that says, "Airport Exit" also said "Economy Parking" then it could make someone's life easier to get back to the airport economy lot.

The meeting evaluations were passed around and there was a ten-minute break before everyone met at the Clock Tower for the tour.

## **Planning and Development Project Review Tour**

The group met at the Clock Tower on the first stop of the tour. Mr. Devon Webster went over the scope of the Terminal Core (TCORE) Project, saying that the project scope included all of the Clock Tower Plaza from the north windows to the south windows, from the hallway to the back of the ticket lobby, and from the floor up to the ceiling in that area.

Mr. Loughran said there are four main goals for the Terminal Balancing Project: Increase Capacity; Asset Renewal; Seismic Resiliency, and Flexibility.

The second stop on the tour was the South Security Checkpoint. Mr. Loughran pointed out that checkpoint capacity was the key issue here, and the current brace framing has constricted the amount of space and flexibility in that checkpoint area.

Ms. Tina Burke pointed out that the lines in the security areas are a point of stress for travelers and they hope to relieve some of that with new plans in the TCORE Project with more capacity, more pre-check lines, and some dedicated officers to deal with customer service and line length.

Mr. Loughran pointed out the key issue would be having flexibility in the core and in the security checkpoint areas to allow for changing technologies and new set-ups in the future.

The third stop was the South Ticket Lobby. The group discussed a previous project that added the windows to the front 20 years ago, and discussed the importance of vertical circulation in that area. The group also discussed the ticket counters and how they will remain at the request of the airlines, though some will move around slightly in part of the Terminal Balancing project.



The fourth stop was the South Baggage Claim. The group discussed the light rail system and passenger arrivals experience there. It was noted how nice it was to have the train come so close to the terminal. Mr. Loughran said that 7% of passengers use the light rail. Mr. Joe Smith noted that it would be nicer if the light rail passengers did not have to walk near the outdoor smoking section.

The group discussed the bike parking available to passengers at the airport, and mentioned many people also ride their bike to the airport. PDX has many services for bikers.

Mr. Devon Webster discussed cosmetic improvements to the baggage claim area that he believes will improve the passenger experience.

The fifth stop was the baggage system corridor tour, which was a highlight for many in the group. The committee was broken into smaller groups with a Port employee or two with each group for the walk-through behind security. The group discussed the complexity of the system and the constraints of keeping a system this complex running during the Terminal Balancing Project and Terminal Core Projects.

The sixth stop on the tour was the International Arrivals area, which will be improved. The current challenge is the number of columns in that area that constrain what can be done there.

The seventh stop on the tour was the North Ticket Lobby, where the group received an overview of the Terminal Balancing Project. Moving some of the airlines will get the baggage system equalized, though the TCORE Project will help with that as well.

The final stop on the tour was the top of the parking garage, where the group could overlook the Terminal Balancing Project construction site. Mr. Dan Gilkison, the project manager for the Terminal Balancing Project, met the group there and provided some updates on the project. Mr. Gilkison said they started construction in July and the project will be completed in May of 2020. He said Southwest Airlines will be on the new extension of Terminal E. The project has a goal of 20% small business participation.

The group took some group photos, and the meeting adjourned on the top of the parking garage.

## **Meeting Evaluations**

We received 14 evaluations.

Too Slow			Just Right			Too Fast		
1. Pacing			13			1		
				Very		No		
	Poor	Fair	Good	Good	Excellent	Answer	Average	
2. Overall Mtg Quality			1	8	3	2	4.17	

# PDX COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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3. Presentations		2*	8	2	1	3.96
4. Documents	1	3*	6	3		3.82
5. Discussion		3	10	1		3.86

\*One person circled both "Good" and "Very Good". Those were not included in the frequency count but are included in the averages (coded as 3.5).

## 6. Most Useful?

- All
- Probably the tour- meeting a little rushed but not a problem.
- Conversation regarding natural resources.
- Update on PFOS/PFOA issue.

## 7. Least Useful

None

## 8. Comments, suggestions or questions:

- Could use larger slide images even if in B & W instead of color other when color is vital.
- Vegetarian food option.
- Need more general diversity on committee.