



I-5 ROSE QUARTER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT COMMUNITY OVERSIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (COAC)

Meeting Summary

MEETING DATE: May 19, 2022

MEETING TIME: 4:00 PM TO 6:00 PM

LOCATION: Zoom online meeting

This document is a summary of the I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project Community Oversight Advisory Committee meeting. The meeting presentation and recording provide additional documentation of this meeting.

COAC Members in Attendance

- Bob Carroll, IBEW Local-48
- Felicia Tripp Folsom, Community Member
- James Posey, Coalition of Black Men
- Joe McFerrin II, Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center, Inc (POIC)
- Katrina Cloud, Northwest College of Construction
- Michael Burch, Community Member
- Pastor Matt Hennessee, Ministerial Alliance
- Twana Hennessee, NW Carpenters

COAC Members Not in Attendance

- Art Cortez, LatinoBuilt
 - Kenechi Onyeagusi, Professional Business Development Group (PBDG)
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Staff Members

- Bill Bruce, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project CM/GC Team
- Briana De Kalb, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project CM/GC Team
- DeAngelo Moaning, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project CM/GC Team
- Dr. Steven Holt, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project Facilitator
- Ericka Warren, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project Facilitator
- Johnell Bell, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project COAC Facilitator
- Josh Holt, Try Excellence
- Juline Bajada, Captioner, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project Owner's Representative Team
- Natalie Warner, technical support, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project Owner's Representative Team
- Matt O'Connell, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project, CM/GC Team
- Monica Blanchard, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project, Deputy Director
- Monika Johnson, technical support, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project Owner's Representative Team
- Radona Peterson, ODOT, Office of Civil Rights
- Rodney King, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project CM/GC Team
- Shelli Romero, ODOT, Region 1
- Tempest Blanchard, technical support, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project Owner's Representative Team
- Webb Moreland, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project, CM/GC Team

Agenda

- Welcome, Meeting Platform and Ground Rules
- Overview COAC March 17, 2022, Meeting Notes
- Project Update
- Committee Update
- JV Update
- Discussion
- Public Comments
- Next Steps and Conclusion
- Adjourn

Welcome, Meeting Platform and Ground Rules

Johnell Bell, the Community Oversight Advisory Committee (COAC) facilitator, welcomed the public and provided an overview of the agenda topics, Zoom access information, and ground rules guiding the COAC's participation for today's meeting. The focus of the meeting will be Project Update, Committee Update, Joint Venture (JV) Update, and Discussion.

Overview COAC March 17, 2022, Meeting Summary

The Committee had no comments about the March meeting notes.

Project Update

I-5 Rose Quarter Project Deputy Director Monica Blanchard thanked the COAC and provided the following updates:

1. Status update on the City of Portland inter-governmental agreement (IGA) with ODOT – the IGA is set to go to Portland City Council early to mid-June. Project staff is working with Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) staff on final steps to get information onto the council agenda. The draft IGA letter was shared with the COAC, and the COAC was encouraged to submit feedback. Project staff is working on coordinating opportunities for those who may want to provide testimony at the Portland city council meetings. Several months ago, a discussion regarding sending a letter of support to the federal delegation was proposed. This proposition will be followed up on later this year to prioritize the City of Portland IGA letter of support.
2. ODOT DBE office has announced a draft statewide DBE goal. There will be six upcoming town halls over the next weeks and months to provide input and/or attend. More information to come on how to provide feedback.
3. Field work at Rose Quarter is starting in May 2022 and continuing through June 2022. Design and pre-development work will involve contractor crews performing geotechnical sampling

of the soil to prepare for construction next year. There are efforts to minimize impacts to Rose Quarter by combining similar work in the area.

Feedback:

COAC Member expressed appreciation for former project staff and suggested sharing a letter and/or form of acknowledgment.

Committee Update

Dr. Steven Holt provided an update on the Historic Albina Advisory Board meeting on Tuesday, May 17.

1. Dr. Holt echoed Monica's update on the City of Portland IGA and the importance of having the voices represented from the HAAB and COAC. Dr Holt encouraged submitting edits and feedback to the COAC.
2. Youth Design Forum just happened last weekend. The forum brought together 50 young people for Experience Living Science Outside (ELSO) at Emmanuel Church. The young people had an opportunity to weigh in and share thoughts on all aspects of the I-5 Rose Quarter project. Successful engagement and feedback were received.
3. The urban design team gave updates on the next phase of urban design as plans are laid out for early work packages.

Question:

1. Rodney King: What was the age range (of the young people)?
 - a. Dr. Holt: Initial intent was high school students, but 6-8th graders showed up. The goal is to expose many people as possible. Information about the event was shared with Tubman (school).

JV Update

Bill Bruce provided a pre-construction update and report out on current progress that is being made consistent with the Diversity Plan. Package A and B updates were presented. Community Engagement Coordinator Deangelo Moaning introduced himself.

- Early Work Package A Status Update – North end of the project area. Three mini-CMCG scopes identified
 - Civil Scope (Budget \$2,000,000)
 - Retaining Walls (Budget \$3,000,000)
 - Sign Structures (Budget \$2,000,000)
 - As part of best value selection process, proposers are asked to submit a 15-page written proposal
 - Pre-construction services phase starting Fall 2022; 90% and 98% cost estimates
 - Outreach Summary and Interested Firms overview was presented
 - Matching expertise and capacity with scope of work was discussed
- Early Work Package B Status Update – Southern end of the project area. Three mini-CMCG scopes identified
 - Civil Scope (Budget \$3,000,000)
 - Retaining Walls (Budget \$9,000,000)
 - Sign Structures (Budget \$3,000,000)

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- Outreach Summary and Interested Firms overview was presented
 - Matching expertise and capacity with scope of work was discussed
 - Early Work Package C – To be discussed in 2023

Questions:

1. Do you have any questions or comments related to the progress on Early Work Packages A and B?
2. Would you like to discuss any of the information presented in further detail?

COAC member: Are the workforces able to meet aggressive goals? What is the current expectation?

Bill Bruce: I think the green sheet analysis in development of the Diversity Plan used the same knowledge in making the assessments. In bringing them into a pre-construction services environment, it allows the opportunity to start improving their workforce ahead of the project. We break ground in 2024 so there is time to prepare and improve.

COAC member: Are COAC members happy with the number of approved applicants?

COAC member: Is Bill happy with the number of participants / applicants?

Bill Bruce: A lot are the same contractors in Portland participate in Public Works projects. Rather than operating off past experiences, we reset. We went back to COBID and took the entire COBID list and went through line by line and manually filtering out 1) contractors that were relevant to these scopes of work and 2) contractors relevant to Portland metro area. We applied those two filters manually and generated a list with 31 names on it. I called and talked to each of 31 firms, and we asked them to express to us if they are interested in the project. From that we got 11 names on package A and 12 names on package B. We then narrowed it down to 8 and 10 names per package. The exclusions when narrowing down were larger businesses (not small businesses).

COAC member: Is there opportunity going forward to bridge the delta of firms that find it difficult to meet these criteria?

COAC member: Has the committee been selected yet?

Bill Bruce: The package A selection committee has been put together and completed their first evaluation for wall scope on package A.

COAC member: How can the COAC help in this process?

Bill Bruce: This is a question a few of us have been discussing as the next phase begins. We look to COAC to bear witness and provide support.

COAC member: Are you planning to invite the LMCOC's?

Bill Bruce: There are four we have identified that we want to work with as a consortium. We have not been actively placing people within the past few months.

COAC member: I want to pick up the discussion on our current COAC role. Is the upcoming meeting with Johnell involving this topic?

Johnell: We want to check in on what is working and what can be improved and your term of service. We want to determine who else we may need to include around the COAC table to strengthen our expertise.

COAC member: The name – Community Oversight Advisory Committee – I take that seriously. Many of us have been on it three years. We have gotten through the Diversity Plan and that mission/goal has been achieved. I have been concerned we do not have full representation for our process. Elks Lodge, PBS school, the Red Cross, a business association on Williams St, and the Albina Vision Trust could be included/reached out to. Regardless of racial composition, these people are in this hood. They should be included in the COAC.

Bill Bruce: We have tripled the number of MCMCG opportunities for DBEs to come and work with us.

Johnell: Could you give an update on next steps relative to the MCMCG work packages?

Bill Bruce: We will decide tomorrow on the walls for package A, which allows onboarding of a contractor. Two weeks from now we will make an award on the additional scopes. At that point there is a likelihood of three contractors being onboarded. We will provide debrief on proposals. Package B will be addressed in July, at which point there may be up to six contractors onboarded.

Public Comments

No Public Comment

Next Steps and Conclusion

The next meeting will be held on September 15, 2022.

Adjourn

Johnell Bell adjourned the meeting at 5:00 pm.