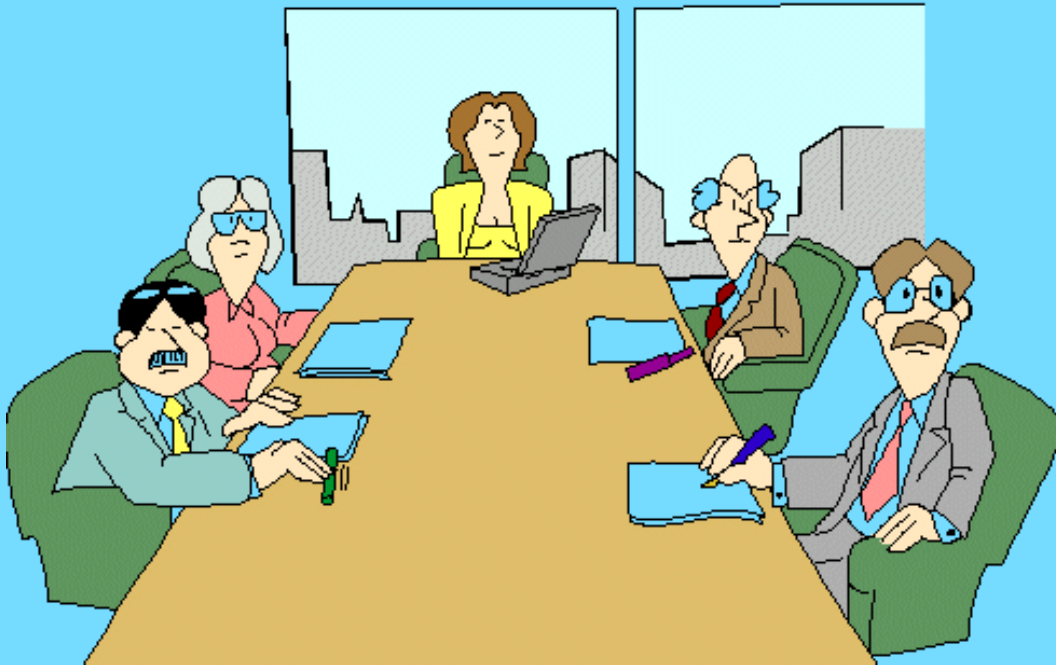


# Transportation & Modernization Committee

## **Accountability Team**



**Senator Betsy Johnson**  
**Senator Fred Girod**  
**Senator Kathleen Taylor**  
**Rep. John Lively**  
**Rep. Andy Olson**



**The Team**

# Meetings & Interviews

**1<sup>st</sup> ..... Contractors**

**2<sup>nd</sup> ..... Former OTC Chairs**

**3<sup>rd</sup> ..... Bob Russell & Craig Campbell**

**4<sup>th</sup> ..... Katy Coba & George Naughton**

BUT...  
WHAT HAPPENED  
TO THE HIGHWAY  
TRUST FUND  
MONEY?

WE SPENT IT.  
ON BIKE PATHS,  
ON SIDEWALKS  
and on  
THESE NIFTY  
SMILEY STICKERS.







# Return Appointment Authority to the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC)

- The Director is appointed by the OTC
- Director Powers and Duties:
  1. Construct, coordinate & promote an integrated transportation system
  2. Exercise general supervisory control over the Department
  3. Organize the Department with OTC approval
  4. Ensure continuity of governance



# Governance

1. Governor...Continues to appoint the Commission
2. Legislature...Joint Committee (Washington model)
3. OTC
4. Counties and Cities
5. ODOT Director
6. ODOT Management Structure
7. Management Contracts
8. IT Governance
9. Organization chart for divisions and projects over a certain size





# OTC Governance & Authority

- Independent budget & Staff
- **Internal Auditor**
- DAS provides Human Resources
- **Efficiency/Accountability Committee**
  - 1...member from OTC
  - 1...ODOT Director or designee
  - 7...Division Directors
  - 2...Citizen appointees
- Seeking Continuous Improvement
- Reports to OTC who reports to the Legislature



# Breaking it down...

## OTC Powers and Duties:

1. Formulate general policy
2. Develop studies
3. Prescribe administrative practices
4. Require the Director to furnish information
5. Promulgate and adopt all ODOT budgets
6. Enter into agreements with other states





# Continued...

## OTC Powers and Duties

9. Enter into agreements with local governments for efficiency
10. Direct 20-year plans for each mode and multi-modal plans for the movement of people and freight:
  - Plans to identify recommended projects
  - Plans constrained by reasonable expected resources.



# #3

## Declaration of Legislative Policy

- Obtain greatest benefit from expenditures
- Provide statewide strategic planning for transportation
- Promote coordination between transportation modes
- Integrate functions to reduce costs
- Enhance prospects to obtain federal funds
- Ensure resiliency from natural disasters to the extent practicable



# Set Goals for the Main Objectives for the Package

- Safety
- Congestion
- New Infrastructure
- Repairing/Investing in existing Infrastructure
- Operations/Maintenance
- Bridge Maintenance
- Seismic Investments
- New & Enhanced Transit Services
- Bike & Ped expansion/improvements
- Safe Routes to School



# Selection of Projects

## Planning for Projects

- Criteria
  - Management of RFP's
  - Transparency
  - Public Process
  - Timelines
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- Approval of budgets for planning
  - Approval of hiring consultants
  - Management of RFP's
  - Approval of timelines & reporting back to governing bodies on progress of projects



# Implementation & Execution of Projects

1. Management of RFP's
2. Project Management (Manager & key team members)
3. Budget for each project
4. Management of change orders
5. Approval process for overages of all types
6. Timeline Management for each project and all projects statewide



# Revenue & Budget

- Revenue estimates from each source & projections for future biennium
- Budget estimate for each phase of each project
- Require built-in contingency funds in budget estimate
- Distribution of revenue (per source) to counties and cities
- Require counties and cities to report to ODOT, OTC and Legislature on projects (including meeting timelines and budget)





# Accountability

- Hotline/whistleblower protects
- Clawback provisions
- ODOT/OTC Internal Auditor roles & responsibilities
- Random audits of selection, planning & Implementation of projects by SoS Audits Division based on project size & cost
- Metrics for average price per of commodities/supplies/standards
- Website with Map



# Accountability -- continued

- Reporting back to OTC & Legislature on timelines and budgets
- ODOT—report back to Legislature on excessive regulations/reporting requirements
- ODOT—report to OTC & Legislature on existing projects
- Clarification of contract law accountability & transparency
  - Positive coalition discussions on-going between construction industry, Counties, Cities and State (*HB3203 & SB1045*)



# #4

## Project Information Website

- Includes all STIP projects
- Dashboard Includes:
  1. Estimated cost
  2. Estimated completion date
  3. Total cost
  4. Current spending
  5. Over/under budget and over/under completion date
- Internal & External expenditures
- Includes funds disbursed amongst local governments describing significant projects



# STIP Project Selection Criteria

## *Statewide Transportation Improvement Program*

- Improves the State highway system
- Enhances safety
- Supports the economy
- Benefits are greater than the costs
- Fosters livable communities
- Environmental stewardship and community sensitivity
- Consistent with greenhouse gas goals
- Ensures resiliency from natural disaster





“I urge them to come and come many, many times to enjoy the beauty of Oregon. But I also ask them, for heaven’s sake, don’t move here to live.” Tom McCall, 1971