

Planning Commission Recommendations and Proposed Changes to Metro Plan Chapter IV Amendments

The Planning Commissions of Eugene, Springfield, and Lane County deliberated and voted to recommend that their respective elected officials approve the Metro Plan Chapter IV amendments with certain changes. Each Commission listed their changes as reflected in the notes shown below. The themes immediately below are those expressed by more than one Commission:

1. Recommendations to clarify elements of Policy 7 were listed by Eugene and Lane County. The recommendations are minor text insertions to establish that “any one” of the governing bodies or “any governing body” may...
2. Eugene and Springfield recommended some form of time line be added back into Chapter IV.
3. Recommendations to require “notice” or “referral” of all Metro Plan amendments to the other governing bodies were listed by Eugene and Lane County.

Eugene Planning Commission:

The Eugene Planning Commission voted 7-0 to recommend to the Eugene City Council the adoption of the proposed Amendments to the Metro Plan Chapter IV with the following changes:

- At 7a, add "by **any one** of the three governing bodies..."
- At 7b and 7c, Staff to correct wording to clarify.
- At 7e, change wording to "Metro Plan, although ~~the~~ **any governing bodies body** may initiate..."
- At 8, add wording that timelines in Type I and Type II amendments be established, at one to two years, and all participating governing bodies must agree to any extension. *(Passed 4-3 in concept and 5-2 as worded. The 4-3 vote reflects reluctance by 3 commissioners to have any timelines.)*
- At 8 generally, add a requirement that in all proposed Metro Plan Amendments, the governing body or bodies initiating an amendment shall notify all other governing bodies of the intended amendment and Type of amendment proposed. In the event there is not consensus regarding such Type determination, the same referral process outlined in 8c through 8e shall be undertaken.
- At 11, change wording to "Refinement plans ~~developed~~ **adopted** by one..."
- **General:** recommend changing Type I to mean only requiring one governing body Type II, two governing bodies and Type III all three governing bodies.

Lane County Planning Commission:

The Lane County Planning Commission recommended Approval of Ordinance No. PA 1300 with the following changes:

- Modify Policy 7 (a) “A Type I amendment may be initiated by **any of** the three governing bodies.
- Modify Policy 7 (e) “Metro Plan updates shall be initiated no less frequently than during the state required Periodic Review of the Metro Plan, although **any of** the governing bodies may initiate an update of the Metro Plan.
- Replace policy 11 with new notification language something like this: “The initiating body of any Type 1, II, or III metro plan amendment shall send notice to the other two governing bodies.”
- Add more detail to the findings (10, 11, and 12) associated with Criterion #1, Goal 1 Citizen Involvement.

Springfield Planning Commission

The Springfield Planning Commission recommended that the City Council approve with the following specific recommendations:

- Keep some form of a timeline for the process in place;
- Revisit the conflict resolution to include not only the Mayor and the Chair of the BCC, or a designee by the Mayor and Chair of the BCC; or, that they as a body, vote on who to send to resolve the conflict.