

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

March 19, 2003
8:00 AM

Hearing Room C
Tapes 61-62

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Sen. Rick Metsger, Chair**
 Sen. Bruce Starr, Vice-Chair
 Sen. Ryan Deckert
 Sen. David Nelson

HOUSE MEMBERS: **Rep. Patti Smith, Chair**
 Rep. Vicki Berger, Vice Chair
 Rep. March
 Rep. Monnes Anderson

GUEST MEMBERS: **Speaker Sen. Minnis**

STAFF PRESENT: **Amy Joyce, Committee Administrator**
 Kim Medford, Committee Administrator
 Annastasia Suess, Committee Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: SB 441 – Public Hearing
 Informational - Joint Meeting with House - Invited Testimony

These minutes are in compliance with Senate and House Rules. Only text enclosed in quotation marks reports a speaker's exact words. For complete contents, please refer to the tapes.

TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 61, A		
005	Chair Metsger	Calls the committee to order at 8:05 a.m. and opens a public hearing on SB 441.
<u>SB 441 –PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
010	Ed Glad	Pacific Northwest Regional Council of Carpenters. Begins testimony in support of SB 441.
	Glad	Continues testimony: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boise Cascade• Prison Industries• Creation of a Quality Jobs Board• Proposed amendments to section two• Concludes presentation
180	Sen. Ted Ferrioli	District John Day. Provides a summary of SB 441 and elaborates on the definition of sustainability.
260	Ferrioli	Continues testimony: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Innovative Contracts• Coordination of research investment• Concludes testimony
280	Sen. Tony Corcoran	District 4. Provides testimony in support of SB 441.

310 Sen. Nelson States that the Governor prefers boards of 5 at the most 7 members, and wonders if there will be an issue with a nine person board.

320 Sen. Ferrioli Says that there will be discussion with the Governor about restructuring the board to meet his preferences.

325 Sen. Nelson Asks how this will work with federal agencies since 52 percent of the land is federal lands.

330 Corcoran Comments on the changes in the Bush administration, will allow for more partnerships and innovations coming from the state level.

340 Sen. Ferrioli States that the goal is aimed at demonstration projects on smaller scale that will not typically attract large scale bidders.

360 Sen. Deckert Comments on the creation of the board, and its coordination with the governor's office.

370 Sen. Ferrioli States that there will be coordination with the governor's office as well as many state agencies.

390 Sen. Corcoran Comments on the community solutions teams.

420 Vice Chair B. Starr Asks for the definition of "the living wage".

440 Sen. Corcoran Defines the definition as 'a net tax payer'. Offers an example of a family of four with an income below 33 thousand a year were basically beneficiary's of the tax system and not contributors to the tax system. States that the definition is not minimum wage but rather living wage.

TAPE 62, A

020 Vice Chair B. Starr Asks if it is possible for the living wage to vary depending on the area a person lives.

035 Sen. Corcoran States there will need to be a very strong economic evaluation to determine the distinctions versus the variations for the living wage.

045 Sen. Ferrioli Comments on the sustainability of jobs in Oregon.

065 Charles Spencer Labor Co-Chair of the Restoration Jobs Working group of the Alliance for Sustainable Jobs and Environment, Lane County. Provides testimony in favor of SB 441.

125 Spencer Concludes testimony.

148 Danny Scott Western Council of Industrial Workers. Provides testimony in support of SB 441.

200 Scott Concludes testimony.

205 Sen. Nelson Asks how the infrastructure is going to blend together with the demonstration projects.

210 Glad States that one of the amendments being proposed to SB 441 will create an action plan to be able to market the model contract templates as well as identify the work forces' ability.

240 Sen. Nelson Comments on previous infrastructures that are no longer operable and asks where the people will come from.

245 Scott States that SB 441 will not put the people back to work, but rather test some models to do the work in restoration differently.

260 Spencer States that the essence of the bill is innovation.

300 Jess McKinley Oregon Economic and Community Development Department. Provides testimony in support of SB 441. States there are several components of the bill that are unclear. Encourages further dialogue of SB 441.

345 Chair Metsger Asks if Mr. McKinley would be available to work with the proponents on the amendments to the bill.

350 Vice Chair B. Starr Asks if there have been conversations with the governor's staff on this issue and if the testimony today was a reflection of the governor's staff.

360 McKinley States there have been informal conversations and that the testimony

375 Chair Metsger was not a reflection of the governor's staff's standpoints.
Closes the public hearing on SB 441 and welcomes House Economic Development Committee. Opens an informational hearing.

**JOINT MEETING WITH HOUSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE -
INFORMATIONAL HEARING**

420 Chair Metsger Introduces the Gresham Springwater Community Industrial Land Project as an example on a community that moving forward rapidly in economic development.

430 Rob Fussell Community Economic Development Director. Introduces the staff that will testify and provides written materials (**EXHIBIT A**).

440 Charles J. Becker Mayor of Gresham. Provides a summary of the Springwater Urban Growth Boundary Proposal.

460 Terry Vanderkooy New communities and Annexation Manager. Begins discussion on the Springwater Industrial Land Project.

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030 Vanderkooy Continues discussion:

- Springwater Phase 1
- State Impact
- Making Springwater Happen

075 Shelly Parini Economic Development Manager. Begins discussion on Springwater's economic potential.

125 Parini Continues testimony:

- Oregon Science and Technology Partnership (OSTP)
- OSTP Site opportunities
- Proposed OSTP Alliances
- OSTP Education Alliances
- Gresham's Economic Tools
- Gresham's success stories

158 John Dorst Transportation Manager. Begins discussion on Springwater's transportation and infrastructure preparedness.

200 Dorst Continues testimony:

- 185th Project
- 262nd & Orient Project
- Civic Neighborhood
- Gresham's "green development" goal
- Wastewater
- Water reservoirs

270 Fussell Begins discussion on Springwater partnerships and next steps.

320 Chair Smith Asks how the agriculture lands to the east of Gresham will be protected.

330 Fussell States that Gresham partners with Multnomah to create an IGA with the county.

333 Chair P. Smith Asks if there will be partnership with Clackamas county

335 Fussell Confirms.

340 Dorst States that transportation design will assist in the protection of the lands.

350 Chair P. Smith Asks how Gresham will expediate the permitting process.

360	Fussell	States there is a Rapid Response team that is in place to handle the expeditation of the process.
370	Speaker Karen Minnis	Commends the Rapid Response team's ability to outreach to the community.
400	Vice Chair B. Starr	Asks if the Oregon Department of Land Conservation will be funding the 600 thousand dollars.
406	Fussell	States that currently the ground work is being laid with the state during the concept planning, and that there have not been any signs that the LCD will be funding the project.
425	Vice Chair B. Starr	Asks if the 600 hundred thousand dollars would be for a period of three to four years.
430	Fussell	States that the Phase 1 will be completed in another three to four months and that 50 thousand dollars are earmarked for this Phase. States that all three phases will be completed by the end of 2004. The 600 hundred thousand will be needed in approximately 6 months from now.
450	Vice Chair B. Starr	Asks for clarification that the money would be needed this year.
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005	Fussell	Confirms.
015	Vice Chair B. Starr	Asks if the implementation dates of January through December 2004 to complete major infrastructure include the interchange as well.
028	Fussell	Confirms. States that the interchange will be needed to complete the Springwater project.
035	Vice Chair B. Starr	States that it is hard to believe that moving an interchange through the process in less than a year could be possible.
040	Dorst	States that the commitment needs to be made, while the construction is in process.
050	Vice Chair B. Starr	Asks if this area is served by rail.
053	Dorst	States there is no heavy rail in this area.
055	Robin Roberts	Community Solutions Office. Elaborates on the time line and funding. States that the entire 17 million in funds will not be set prior to construction, but alternative solutions are being looked into.
060	Rep. Monnes Anderson	Commends the proponents of the bill on the hard work and effort put into this bill.
065	Sen. Nelson	Asks for clarification on the amount of acreage in the project.
070	Fussell	States that amount is 1,400, not 14,000 acres as stated in the testimony.
075	Sen. Nelson	Asks for clarification on the urban growth boundary, and if the project is in the boundary.
085	Fussell	Clarifies and states yes, the phases are in the urban growth areas.
090	Sen. Nelson	Asks if the vision is for campus type industries.
095	Fussell	States the vision is a technology campus.
120	Dorst	Elaborates on the area and states that Phase 1 is 1,400 acres and Phase 2 is 2,200 additional acres.
125	Fussell	States that a partnership with Clackamas is in process as well.
130	Rep. March	Inquires about the Johnson Creek Watershed and the 210 acres that have been set aside, and asks what sort of a buffer along the creeks and trail will be provided.
140	Dorst	Comments on the Johnson Creek Watershed buffer planning.
145	Rep. March	Inquires about whether there is future consideration for moderate to low income housing in the Village.
150	Fussell	States there is the vision of urban housing elements that will deal with affordability.
155	Rep. Monnes	States that Gresham does not have a multitude of high end housing,

	Anderson	and that with the growth of industry, the need for higher end housing will be necessary to keep higher salary workers from commuting from West Linn or Lake Oswego.
180	Chair Metsger	Comments on the hard, aggressive actions taken by Gresham and commends the coordination of the project.
185	Chair Metsger	Closes the informational hearing and adjourns the committee at 9:45 a.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A – Informational, written materials, Rob Fussell, 37 pp