

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION NO. 09-053

Approving an Agreement with Portland Metropolitan Regional Partners and the State of Oregon Establishing a Coordinated Effort and Request for Federal Stimulus Funds for the Deployment of Electric Vehicles and Electric Vehicle Infrastructure

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:


- a. Transportation accounts for 39% of greenhouse gas emissions in Multnomah County and is a key contributor to regional air quality issues that adversely affect public health.
- b. Electric vehicles present an opportunity for Oregon and the region to reduce emissions while asserting a leading national role in cutting edge clean energy technology.
- c. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act present a once-in-a-generation opportunity to invest in the infrastructure to make electric vehicles an affordable reality to families and organizations across Oregon.
- d. The Agreement states that Multnomah County and regional partners will:
 1. Participate in the development of a regional electric vehicle strategy, including collaboration on funding applications, charging station roll out, and stake holder engagement.
 2. Fully utilize statewide purchase agreements for acquiring electric vehicle charging equipment to promote consistent facilities and promote public recognition of stations and acceptance of technology.
 3. Look for opportunities within each organization to upgrade internal fleets and eliminate permitting and other barriers to electric vehicle deployment.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

1. The attached Agreement with the City of Portland and other regional partners is approved and the County Chair is directed to sign the agreement.

ADOPTED this 7th day of May, 2009.

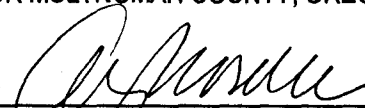
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Ted Wheeler, Chair

REVIEWED:

AGNES SOWLE, COUNTY ATTORNEY
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

By _____
Agnes Sowle, County Attorney

SUBMITTED BY: Commissioner Jeff Cogen

EXHIBIT A

Agreement

A coordinated effort to prepare the Portland region and the State of Oregon for electric vehicle plug-in funding opportunities provided through the Department of Energy's Clean Cities Alternative Fuel and Advanced Technology Vehicle Pilot Program.

The Agreement, effective April ____, 2009, is being executed by the following local governments, agencies, and stakeholders:

Please confirm that your jurisdiction supports the agreement and insert your jurisdiction here and email this document to soppenheim@ci.portland.or.us

I. Purpose and Mission

The undersigned parties seek to establish a coordinated effort to prepare the Portland metropolitan region and the State of Oregon for electric vehicles, and to coordinate a request for federal stimulus funds through the Department of Energy's Clean Cities Alternative Fuel and Advanced Technology Vehicle Pilot Program, with the goal of installing 500 electric vehicle plug-in stations in Oregon by the end of 2010, 75- 100 in the Portland Metro Region, as well as establishing a regional framework for promotion and integration of electric vehicles in Oregon. Funding will also be used to acquire fleet vehicles to help quantify the benefits of electric vehicles both in terms of emission reductions and operational savings.

The parties are committed to:

- reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Oregon; and,
- reducing vehicle miles traveled on our roads; and,
- promoting a balanced transportation system that values all modes of transportation; and,
- reducing our dependence on oil and all petroleum based products.

Whereas individuals, government entities, private businesses and public utilities across the state see the promotion and integration of electric vehicles in Oregon as an opportunity to achieve these goals; and

Whereas establishing the infrastructure for electric vehicles will require a regional approach to meet the needs of the community.

Whereas the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provides a once-in-a-generation opportunity to invest in the infrastructure that can make electric cars an affordable reality to families across Oregon and ensures our stimulus dollars are spent the "Oregon Way;"

II. The Parties Intend To

1. Participate in the development of a regional strategy to ready the region for electric vehicles.
2. Collaborate on funding applications and identify sources to fund regional network.
3. Participate in the electric vehicle fleet and charging station roll out through a process coordinated by the City of Portland, Oregon Department of Energy, Oregon Department of Transportation, PGE and Pacific Power.
4. Create a collaborative stakeholder group to help further regulatory, commercial, and community interests related to electric vehicles.
5. Consider conversions of vehicle to electric plug-in.
6. Construct charging infrastructure in our communities consistent with statewide standards and sufficient to meet regional and statewide demands.
7. Fully utilize statewide purchase agreements for acquiring electric vehicle charging equipment to promote consistent facilities, public recognition of stations and acceptance of technology.
8. Participate in the development of easy-to-follow installation guide for charging stations to help brand the look and feel of the "Oregon network" and local efforts such as "Charge Up Greater Portland."
9. Support both the statewide network and "Charge Greater Up Portland" regional marketing efforts with appropriate incentives.
10. Support state and federal tax rebates for the purchase of electric vehicles.
11. Support the education of drivers on the safe and appropriate use of electric vehicles.
12. Support dealerships that will market and sell electric vehicles by enabling them to integrate the purchase of vehicles, home charging units and necessary permits at one location.
13. Support the importing and manufacturing of electric cars in the region.
14. Support the education and training of technicians who will maintain and repair electric vehicles according to industry safe standards.
15. Fast track permitting for charging stations on private property.
16. Ensure new and reconstruction/renovation building codes and future development standards and incentives support plug-ins.
17. Include electric vehicles in each jurisdiction's commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
18. Develop an evaluation and oversight program.

This AGREEMENT is not a legally binding document; rather it is a statement of the Parties' intent to proceed in a cooperative and collaborative manner to quickly and efficiently move towards preparing the region for electric vehicles.