

# East Multnomah County Transportation Committee

City of Fairview

City of Gresham

City of Troutdale

City of Wood Village

Multnomah County

Port of Portland

## Meeting Minutes - Monday, August 14, 2023 - 3:00pm - 5:00pm

| <b>Members</b>                | <b>Representing</b> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| ✓ Lori Stegmann               | Multnomah County    |
| ✓ Wendy Lawton                | Fairview            |
| Philip Morley (Alternate)     | Fairview            |
| ✓ Travis Stovall              | Gresham             |
| Vince Jones-Dixon (Alternate) | Gresham             |
| ✓ Tom Bouillion               | Port of Portland    |
| Lem Lewis (Alternate)         | Port of Portland    |
| ✓ Sandy Glantz                | Troutdale           |
| ✓ Mark Clark                  | Wood Village        |

| <b>EMCTC Staff</b> | <b>Representing</b> |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| ✓ MaryJo Andersen  | Multnomah County    |
| ✓ Jessica Berry    | Multnomah County    |
| ✓ Allison Boyd     | Multnomah County    |
| Eve Nilenders      | Multnomah County    |
| ✓ Sarah Paulus     | Multnomah County    |
| ✓ Oscar Rincones   | Multnomah County    |

| <b>Guests</b>        | <b>Representing</b>  |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| ✓ Jay Higgins        | Gresham              |
| ✓ Eliot Rose         | Metro                |
| ✓ Ashton Simpson     | Metro                |
| ✓ Sarah Hurwitz      | Multnomah County     |
| ✓ Stephen McWilliams | Multnomah County     |
| ✓ Emily Miletich     | Multnomah County     |
| ✓ Megan Neill        | Multnomah County     |
| ✓ Taylor Steenblock  | Multnomah County     |
| ✓ Glen Bolen         | ODOT                 |
| ✓ Stephanie Millar   | ODOT                 |
| ✓ Kenny Werth        | ODOT                 |
| ✓ Eric Hesse         | PBOT                 |
| ✓ John Serra         | TriMet               |
| ✓ John Miner         | City of Wood Village |

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These minutes, and any presentations and any documents submitted for the meeting will be available in Dropbox [at this link](#) and on the [EMCTC website](#).

Time indicators (00:00:00) reference meeting recordings which are located at this [Dropbox link](#).

### 1. **Welcome and Introductions (00:00:00)**

Zoom Meeting Guidelines

(10 minutes) ..... 3:00 pm

Oscar provided the meeting group with the Zoom meeting guidelines followed by introductions. .

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### 2. **Opportunity for Public Comment (00:02:55)**

(10 minutes if submitted) ..... 3:10 pm

No public comment was submitted.

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### 3. **Review and Adoption of July 17, 2023 Meeting Minutes - All (00:03:05)**

Action Item

(5 minutes) ..... 3:10 pm

Commissioner Stegmann entertained a motion to approve the June 12, 2023 meeting minutes.

Councilor Glantz made a motion to approve and Mayor Stovall seconded the motion. The motion to approve the minutes was approved by the committee.

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### 4. **Fatalities Report - MaryJo Andersen (00:03:45)**

Information/Discussion Item

(5 minutes) ..... 3:15 pm

MaryJo Andersen provided the meeting with the fatalities report for July.

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### 5. **Region 1 ACT - Vote for City Official, Sarah Paulus, Multnomah County (00:08:16)**

Action Item

(5 minutes) ..... 3:20 pm

Sarah Paulus provided an informational presentation for the committee on approving the re-nomination of Sumi Malik and Zack Culver to continue to serve as community member representatives on the R1ACT.

Following the presentation, Mayor Travis Stovall moved for the reappointment of Sumi Malik and Zack Culver to continue to serve as community member representatives on the R1ACT. The motion was seconded by Councilor Lawton. The motion passed unanimously.

Jessica Berry then provided the committee with information about the appointment for the city representative that will sit on the R1ACT (00:13:26).

Mayor Stovall motioned to nominate Councilor Glantz as the city elected official to R1ACT. Councilor Lawton seconded the motion and the motion was carried with no opposition (00:14:37).

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**6. Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge Updates - Taylor Steenblock and Megan Neill, Multnomah County**

Action Item

(20 minutes) .....3:25 pm

Taylor Steenblock and Megan Neill provided the committee with a presentation and a request for a letter of support from EMCTC for federal grants for the EQRB project, followed by an opportunity for comments and questions (00:30:09).

(00:30:29) Councilor Lawton offered to assist in drafting the letter of support from EMCTC.

Mayor Stoval made a motion to draft and submit a letter of support for funding the Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge project and Councilor Glantz seconded the motion (00:40:31). The motion was carried (00:44:20).

Forward any thoughts or ideas for the letter to Oscar Rincones at Multnomah County for consolidation.

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**7. SW 257th Drive Safety Improvements Project Update - Stephen McWilliams and Sarah Hurwitz, Multnomah County (00:45:11)**

Information/Discussion Item

(20 minutes) .....3:45 pm

Stephen and Sarah provided the group with a presentation followed by an opportunity for comments and questions (01:00:22).

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**8. State Legislative Report - Taylor Steenblock, Multnomah County (01:12:46)**

Information/Discussion Item

(20 minutes) .....4:05 pm

Taylor Steenblock provided the committee with a state legislative update followed by an opportunity for comments and questions (01:21:47).

Commissioner Stegmann discussed creating a future conversation about what the policy areas are, legislative priorities, what EMCTC would like to support, opportunities for improvement or to become more active (01:22:17). In addition, the discussion would involve member ideas about meeting format, topics or any other ideas.

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**9. Region 1 ACT Report - Member, EMCTC (01:22:00)**

Information/Discussion Item

(5 minutes) .....4:25 pm

Mayor Stovall discussed the topics focused on at the R1ACT meeting:

- Updates on the Columbia River Gorge trail system
  - Discussion on Hood River
  - Hood River White Salmon Bridge Authority Project updates
  - Region 1 manager update
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**10. JPACT Report - Member and/or Alternate, EMCTC (01:28:00)**

Information/Discussion Item

(5 minutes) .....4:30 pm

Mayor Stovall gave the committee an update on topics discussed at JPACT:

- Resolution for the purpose of adopting the 2024 - 2027 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP)

- Legislative Update from Taylor Steenblock and other participants (Metro, Washington and Clackamas counties, TriMet, Port of Portland and city of Portland)
  - Regional Freight Delay Commodities Movement Study overview
  - Transit Oriented Development updates
  - Construction Career Pathways discussion
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**11. JPACT Agenda and Metro Updates (01:33:26)**

(report on next JPACT meeting agenda items) – Eliot Rose, Metro  
Information/Discussion Item

(10 minutes) .....4:35 pm

Eliot Rose shared the upcoming agenda for JPACT and Metro updates:

- JPACT is off for August; still accepting public comments on the Regional Transportation Plan through August 25th.
  - Agreement for a regional climate action planning grant from EPA (1 million dollar grant for planning funds) forthcoming in September
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**12. Agency Updates**

Information

(10 minutes) .....4:45 pm

- Metro  
No updates
- ODOT  
Introduced Kenny Worth, Associate Planner with ODOT
- Port of Portland  
May 2024 substantial completion of the terminal core project
- TriMet  
No updates
- Fairview  
Councilor Simpson working with Councilor Lawton on Halsey Street Project

- Gresham  
Received some community paths grants (Columbia View Park and North Gresham Park)  
Applied and approved for 3 speed reductions (Burnside 45 to 35, Halsey 40 to 35, Gleason 40 to 35 and Powell from 40 to 35)
- Portland  
Melissa Williams named new Director of PBOT
- Troutdale  
Renamed 257th to be consistent as 257th Drive
- Wood Village  
Application submitted for a small city allotment grant from ODOT to design, install and replace a flashing beacon
- Multnomah County  
Allison Boyd has been named as the new Transportation Planning Manager

Other Business - All

(5 minutes) .....4:55 pm

Next EMCTC meeting: September 18, 2023