

BPCAC Meeting Minutes
Zoom Meeting
Wednesday, October 8, 2025
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

✓ = Attended
 e = Excused Absence
 u = Unexcused Absence

	Name	Representing
✓	Dean Derek	Committee Member
u	Art Graves	Committee Member
e	Andrew Holtz	Committee Member
✓	Joel Huffman	Committee Member
e	Megan Moser	Committee Member
✓	Greg Olson	Committee Member
e	Michael Rubenstein	Committee Member
✓	John Russell	Committee Member
✓	Valerie Schiller	Committee Member
u	Robert Thomas	Committee Member
e	AJ Zelada	Committee Member
✓	MaryJo Andersen	Multnomah County Staff
✓	Summer Cook	Multnomah County Staff
✓	Princess Kannah	Multnomah County Staff
✓	Allison Boyd	Multnomah County Staff
✓	Katie Selin	Speaker
✓	Sarah Iannarone	Guest
✓	Frank Stevens	Guest

Presentations and Materials are located at this [Dropbox link](#).

1. Welcome and Introductions

Zoom Meeting Guidelines

Land Acknowledgement

Introductions

(10 minutes)6:00 pm

Summer Cook provided Zoom meeting guidelines, emphasizing that closed captioning was activated and that questions/comments should wait until the end of presentations unless otherwise directed. Summer also provided her email for Zoom assistance. MaryJo Andersen gave the **Land Acknowledgement**, recognizing the lands of the Multnomah, Cathlamet, and Clackamas bands of the Chinook Indian Nation, and others.

2. Opportunity for Public Comment

(10 minutes if submitted)6:10 pm

Public comment was opened. Frank Stevens, spoke on Sharon Nesbit Heritage Park and the Ch'ak Ch'ak Trail ribbon cutting, which will occur on **Wednesday, October 29th, at 1:30 pm**. He shared more information, including his email, in the chat.

3. Chair Report – Andrew Holtz, BPCAC

(5 minutes)6:20 pm

The Chair, Andrew Holtz, was **not in attendance**.

4. Safety Update - MaryJo Andersen, Multnomah County

(5 minutes)6:25 pm

MaryJo Andersen noted the Safety Update would be brief. She announced that the report on **fatality reports would be postponed to the next month's meeting**, where she would present two reports. The Safe Routes to School information was moved into the Staff Updates portion of

the meeting.

5. **Transportation Safety Action Plan Workshop, Alta Planning and Design**

(60 minutes)6:30 pm

Katie Selin from Alta Planning and Design gave updates on the draft plan and strategies, which is now in **Phase 3**. EMCTC voted on a **Vision Zero goal**: to eliminate all traffic fatalities and serious injuries by **2035**. Public engagement for **Phase 2** (summer) showed that the top supported actions were **completing gaps in sidewalks and bike lanes**, seeking long-term funding for Safe Routes to School, high-visibility crosswalks, enforcing speeds with safety cameras, and street lighting. The draft plan would be out for public review the following week (mid to late October) through early November, with the final plan wrapping up in late November. The committee was asked to **help promote the draft plan review** and consider submitting a **letter of support** for the plan's adoption to the East Multnomah County Transportation Committee (EMCTC). Members were supportive of the letter of support concept.

6. **Staff Updates - MaryJo Andersen, Multnomah County**

(10 minutes)7:30 pm

MaryJo Andersen gave staff updates including: a push for input on a **Safer Sandy survey** regarding separated bike paths or a two-way path on one side; information on the Ch'ak Ch'ak Trail ribbon cutting; and **Safe Routes to School** updates, including working with fewer, more focused schools and Gresham Barlow's potential interest in applying for a Safe Routes to School coordinator grant. An update on the East County Tour was also provided, noting improvements on SE 257th near Reynolds High School, curb ramps on Troutdale Road, and discussion of upcoming improvements on 223rd near Fairview Elementary School.

7. **Open Share/Project Updates/Other Business - All**

(5 minutes)7:40 pm

John Russell presented photos and details from the **Policymaker Ride** (a nearly 20-mile loop through NE Portland and East County) that took place on the last Friday in September, which included over 120 people. The ride showcased existing infrastructure and areas for

improvement, including the new Ch'ak Ch'ak Trail and Sharon Nesbitt Park Trail. Attendees included local elected officials, developers, and Multnomah County commissioners and councilors. The committee also acknowledged the **volunteer appreciation event**.

The next meeting date was confirmed. MaryJo Andersen and Allison Boyd will likely give an update on the draft TSAP plan review and discuss the letter of support idea with the committee

Next BPCAC meeting: November 11, 2025