

Apr 13, 2026 3:00 PM

Meeting Minutes

#	Topic	Lead	Organization	Start Time
1.	Welcome			3:00 PM
	<p>Commissioner Jones-Dixon called the meeting to order at 3:03 pm. Tom Holmes provided Zoom guidelines, noting the session was being recorded. Introductions followed with representatives present from Troutdale, the Port of Portland, Metro, and the City of Gresham. Commissioner Jones-Dixon thanked the group for their participation in the previous month's visioning session.</p>			
2.	Opportunity for Public Comment			3:05 PM
	<p>Sarah Tauer noted that no public comments had been submitted prior to the meeting. The Chair paused to see if any attendees wished to speak using the raise hand function, but no public comments were offered.</p>			
3.	Review and Adoption of March 16, 2026 Meeting Minutes	All		3:10 PM
	<p>The committee reviewed the minutes from the March 16, 2026, meeting. Mayor Stovall moved to adopt the minutes, and Councilor Simpson seconded the motion. The minutes were adopted unanimously.</p>			
4.	Safety Update: SRTS Grants	MaryJo Andersen	Multnomah County	3:15 PM
	<p>MaryJo Andersen presented an update on Safe Routes to School (SRTS), noting that bike and scooter lessons are ongoing. She highlighted upcoming "Walk and Roll" events, including a May 6th walk with Mayor Stovall at Hollydale Elementary. Andersen detailed the current grant season, noting that while construction grants are paused, various education grants are open. Gresham Barlow School District is applying for a new coordinator under Tier 1, Centennial is applying to continue their coordinator under Tier 2, and Bike Works is seeking Tier 3 support for ongoing programs.</p>			
5.	2026 Legislative Session Recap & Discussion	Tom Powers	Multnomah County	3:25 PM

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	Tom Powers summarized the 33-day 2026 state legislative session. Key actions included Senate Bill 1599, which moved the Measure 120 election to the May 2026 primary, and House Bill 4007, which created a framework for local governments to regulate micromobility devices. Powers also discussed "rebalancing" efforts to fill a \$250–\$300 million hole in the ODOT budget caused by revenue delays. Looking toward 2027, a new "Rebuilding Our Transportation Vision" (ROTV) workgroup has been formed to develop a sustainable funding package.			
6.	Building A Better EMCTC March Workshop Follow Up	Sarah Tauer	Multnomah County	3:35 PM
	<p>Sarah Tauer recapped the March in-person workshop, identifying funding, economic development, maintenance, and safety as top priority areas for the committee. Operational changes were discussed, including shortening meetings to 90 minutes and exploring rotating formats such as in-person tours. A live poll was conducted during the meeting to gauge interest in specific work plan topics; results showed strong interest in the county's transportation funding overview and regional land use updates.</p> <p>During the workshop follow-up, eight participants—including both voting members and non-voting partners—took part in a real-time poll to prioritize topics for the upcoming work plan. The results indicated a strong desire to focus on the implementation of regional safety plans and a deeper understanding of how transportation funds are allocated locally. These preferences will be used by staff to schedule presentations and discussion items throughout the remainder of the 2026 calendar year.</p> <p>Poll Results by Topic:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety: TSAP Implementation (75%); Main Streets on Halsey (13%); ODOT Sandy Project (13%); REACH Report (0%). • Funding and Regional Advocacy: Multnomah County Funding Overview & Strategy (50%); TriMet Service Cuts (25%); Salem Field Trip (25%); Other city overviews, Community Connector Study, and Regional Vanpool Strategy (all 0%). • Maintenance/Capital Projects: Annual Construction Update (60%); 2nd Street Bridge Project (20%); Road Stormwater/6PPD-q (20%); County Maintenance Updates and Design Manual Updates (both 0%). • Economic Development: East Metro Connections Plan Implementation (40%); Land Use Updates (40%); Port of Portland's East County Strategy (20%); Metro Future Vision (0%). • Equity: DEI Updates from partners (60%); Metro's Cooling Corridor Project (20%); ADA Transition Plan Implementation (20%). 			
7.	Future Vision Project Engagement Update	Jess Zdeb	Metro	3:50 PM

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Jess Zdeb from Metro provided an update on "Future Vision," a project to develop a 50-year regional vision. The project is currently in a community engagement phase with an online survey open through May 15th. Zdeb introduced the Future Vision Youth Committee and emphasized the use of arts and culture to connect with diverse voices. Committee members participated in a brief "conversation kit" exercise, sharing places they value in the region, such as green spaces and local community hubs.

8. Region 1 ACT Report	Member	4:10 PM
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Sarah Tauer provided a high-level update on the Region 1 Area Commission on Transportation (ACT). The ACT has been focused on ODOT's new 10-year Capital Investment Plan (CIP). Top priorities submitted for the region include the Rose Quarter improvements, TV Highway investments, Sunrise Corridor Phase 2, the historic Columbia River Highway State Trail completion, and arterial safety investments.

9. JPACT Report	Member and/or Alternate	4:15 PM
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Mayor Stovall reported on the March 19th Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) meeting. Significant items included the removal of two bridge projects from the MTIP due to canceled federal grants and an update on the Interstate Bridge Replacement Program. The bridge project cost estimate has risen to approximately \$14 billion due to inflation and the projected nine-year construction timeline.

Members

Member	Alternate	Agency
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon, EMCTC Chair		Multnomah County
<input type="checkbox"/> Councilor E'an Todd, EMCTC Vice Chair	<input type="checkbox"/> Name	City of Fairview
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor Travis Stovall, JPACT Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Name	City of Gresham
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Councilor John Leamy	<input type="checkbox"/> Name	City of Troutdale
<input type="checkbox"/> Mayor Jairo Rios-Campos	<input type="checkbox"/> Name	City of Wood Village

Member	Alternate	Agency
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Bouillion	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Name</i>	Port of Portland
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Councilor Ashton Simpson (non-voting)		Metro

Other Attendees

- Sarah Tauer, Multnomah County
- MaryJo Andersen, Multnomah County
- Allison Boyd, Multnomah County
- Eve Nilenders, Multnomah County
- Jessica Berry, Multnomah County
- Tom Powers, Multnomah County
- Brendan Finn, Multnomah County
- Jonathan Horowitz, ODOT
- Glen Bolen, ODOT
- Paul Scarlett, ODOT
- Jess Zdeb, Metro
- Ramona Perrault, Metro
- Jay Higgins, Gresham
- Sarah Selden, Fairview
- Adam Torres, Clackamas County
- Francesca Jones, PBOT
- John Serra, TriMet
- Tom Holmes, Zan Associates
- Frank Stevens, Public

Action Items

- Members are encouraged to share the Future Vision survey (open through May 15th) with their communities.
- Staff to explore new standing meeting times and communicate a 90-minute meeting format starting in May.
- Port of Portland to provide an East County Strategy update in the fall.

Next EMCTC Meeting

May 18, 2026 3:00 PM