East Multnomah County Transportation Committee

Meeting Minutes

Jul 13, 2026 3:00 PM

Meeting Minutes

#	Topic, Lead, Organization	Start Time
1.	**Welcome - Commissioner Jones-Dixon, Multnomah County** Commissioner Jones-Dixon called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Member introductions were conducted with representatives present from Multnomah County, Port of Portland, City of Gresham, and City of Fairview.	**3:00 PM**
2.	**Opportunity for Public Comment** Commissioner Jones-Dixon opened the floor for public comment. Sarah Tauer confirmed that no public comments were submitted prior to the meeting, and no attendees raised their hands.	**3:05 PM**
3.	**Review and Adoption of May 18, 2026 Meeting Minutes - All** Commissioner Jones-Dixon called for a motion to approve the May 18, 2026 meeting minutes. Mayor Stovall moved to approve the minutes, and Tom Bouillion seconded the motion. The committee voted unanimously in favor, and the minutes were officially adopted.	**3:10 PM**
4.	**Safety Update - MaryJo Andersen, Multnomah County** MaryJo Andersen presented the monthly fatality reports for May and June across the three-county region, acknowledging traffic crash fatalities to emphasize the Vision Zero commitment. In May, there were 6 regional fatalities (including one crash in Troutdale at Marine Drive and Sundial), and June saw 14 regional fatalities (including two in East County: one in Wood Village and one in Gresham). Year-to-date data shows an overall downward trend compared to previous years. Andersen also outlined outreach for the Safety Action Plan happening over the summer, including interactive poster boards at community events, a walk audit with youth in the Centennial School District, and Safe Routes to School programming through Bike Works.	**3:15 PM**
5.	**2028 Regional Transportation Plan Update Overview - André Lightsey-Walker and Alfredo Haro, Metro**	**3:20 PM**

André Lightsey-Walker presented the overview for the 2028 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) draft work plan and engagement plan. He outlined the five phases of the planning process, highlighting key milestones through final legislative adoption in 2028. He reviewed early engagement feedback focusing on safety, affordability, equity, reliability, and climate-conscious transport systems. Committee members discussed economic development opportunities (including freight mobility and workforce connections), aligning outreach with existing local plans to prevent public survey fatigue, and addressing concerns around long-term project funding and implementation timelines.

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6. Multnomah County Rural Shopping Shuttles - Eve Nilenders, Multnomah County **3:40 PM**

Eve Nilenders presented an update on the county's new Rural Shopping Shuttle program funded through Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) rural funds. Designed based on community outreach and surveys, the free, wheelchair-accessible shuttles operate on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month. They connect rural residents (such as those in Corbett) to shopping hubs in East County including Wood Village (Walmart/Fred Meyer) and Gresham (Safeway/Home Depot).

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7. JPACT Report - Mayor Stovall, JPACT Member **3:55 PM**

Mayor Stovall provided an update on the June 18 JPACT meeting. He highlighted the discussion on Resolution 265599 regarding the I-5 Interstate Bridge Replacement (IBR) project, which amended the MTIP to include near-term phases such as tolling signage, bridge planning, design and construction activities, previous bridge removal, and transit design. He also shared details about a JPACT subcommittee evaluating rural transit service expansions and STIF funding across Clackamas, Washington, and Multnomah counties.

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8. Upcoming JPACT Agenda - Ramona Perrault, Metro **4:00 PM**

Eliot Rose previewed the upcoming virtual JPACT meeting agenda. Highlights include announcing $341k in Traffic System Management and Operations (TSMO) awards for Multnomah County and Gresham signal system technology, MTIP amendments for 181st Avenue Safety Projects and Stark Washington ATC, formal voting on the I-5 Rose Quarter amendment, federal advocacy priorities, and a presentation on the RTP work and engagement plan.

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9. Agency Updates - All **4:05 PM**

ODOT: Paul Scarlett reported on summer construction projects including I-84 safety upgrades, near-completion of the 42-mile Jordan Trail multi-use path in Troutdale, I-205 ramp improvements, upcoming 5-week lane closures at Rose Quarter in September, and introduced new interim director Chris Warner.

Gresham & Fairview: Mayor Stovall, Jay Higgins, and Sarah Selden confirmed work is actively progressing on the Marine Drive Trail extension led by Metro.

Fairview: Sarah Selden noted the county's Safe Routes to School project on NE 223rd between Halsey and Sandy is underway.

Troutdale & Multnomah County: Councillor Leamy inquired about the Beaver Creek culvert project timeline; Jessica Berry clarified design phase grant funding from FHWA has been delayed pending a formal notice to proceed, so work will not occur this summer.

Multnomah County Staffing: Jessica Berry announced the retirement of Transportation DirectorJon Henrichsen; Berry is serving as Interim Director and Lance Calvert as Interim County Engineer during recruitment.

TriMet: John Serra shared that August 23, 2026 service reductions are approaching, with trip planning data already populated on TriMet.org. He noted improvements integrating local shuttle providers into the online transit planner and warned of potential further service cuts in Fall 2027 if ongoing funding is not secured.

10. Other Business, All **4:20 PM**

Sarah Tauer noted that Multnomah County will send out a follow-up scheduling survey to committee members to explore alternative meeting times outside of Monday afternoons.

Members

Member	Alternate	Agency
☑ Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon, EMCTC Chair		Multnomah County
☐ Councilor E'an Todd, EMCTC Vice Chair	☐ *Name*	City of Fairview
☑ Mayor Travis Stovall, JPACT Member	☐ *Name*	City of Gresham
☑ Councilor John Leamy	☐ *Name*	City of Troutdale
☐ Mayor Jairo Rios-Campos	☐ *Name*	City of Wood Village

Member	Alternate	Agency
☑ Tom Bouillion	☐ *Name*	Port of Portland
☐ Councilor Ashton Simpson (non-voting)		Metro

Other Attendees

- Sarah Tauer, Multnomah County
- MaryJo Andersen, Multnomah County
- Eve Nilenders, Multnomah County
- Travis Spencer, Multnomah County
- Emma Knutson, Zan Associates
- Jay Higgins, Gresham
- Tom Bouillion, Port of Portland
- Adam Torres, Clackamas County DTD
- Frank Stevens
- John Serra, TriMet
- André Lightsey-Walker, Metro
- Eliot Rose, Metro
- Paul Scarlett, ODOT
- Francesca Jones, PBOT
- Brendan Finn, Multnomah County
- Sarah Selden, City of Fairview
- Jessica Berry, Multnomah County

Action Items

- **Port of Portland / Metro**: Tom Bouillion to share a link in the chat/follow up with André Lightsey-Walker regarding the Governor's Prosperity Council recommendations to inform economic development themes in the RTP.

- **Metro / JPACT Staff**: Eliot Rose to share the JPACT packet memo regarding the $341,000 TSMO signal grant for Multnomah County and Gresham.

- **Multnomah County Staff**: Sarah Tauer to send out a survey to EMCTC members proposing alternative meeting days/times to replace the Monday afternoon slot.

- **TriMet**: John Serra to share the link to the August 23rd TriMet service changes in the chat/meeting record for members to distribute to constituents.

Next EMCTC Meeting

Sep 14, 2026 3:00 PM