

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, September 13, 2021 3:00pm-5:00pm, Virtual Meeting/Zoom

Time indicators reference meeting recording which is located at this [Dropbox link](#).

✓ Indicates person attended meeting

✓	<u>Members</u>	<u>Representing</u>
	Lori Stegmann	Multnomah County
	Darren Riordan	Fairview
✓	Nolan Young	Fairview
✓	Travis Stovall	Gresham
	Vince Jones-Dixon	Gresham
✓	Tom Bouillion	Port of Portland
	Lem Lewis	Port of Portland
✓	Jamie Kranz	Troutdale
	Randy Lauer	Troutdale
✓	John Miner	Wood Village
	<u>EMCTC Staff</u>	<u>Representing</u>
✓	MaryJo Andersen	Multnomah County
✓	Jessica Berry	Multnomah County
✓	Rebecca Stavenjord	Multnomah County
✓	Oscar Rincones	Multnomah County
✓	Alison Boyd	Multnomah County
✓	Eve Nilenders	Multnomah County
	<u>Guests</u>	<u>Representing</u>
✓	Shirley Craddick	Metro
✓	Cary Stacey	Multnomah County
✓	Eliot Rose	Metro
✓	Jeff Owen	Trimet
✓	Emily Miletich	Multnomah County
✓	Amber Shackelford	Troutdale
✓	Biran Monberg	Gresham
✓	Chris Strong	Gresham
✓	Jay Higgins	Gresham
✓	John Niiyama	Wood Village
✓	Chad Tucker	HDR
✓	Valerie Egon	ODOT
✓	Terra Lingley	ODOT

1. Welcome and Introductions

Councilor Kranz and Jessica Berry welcomed the group. Councilor Kranz moved forward with introductions asking participants and members to use the chat feature to introduce themselves..

2. Opportunity for Public Comment

There were no public comments submitted ahead of this meeting.

3. Review and Adoption of Prior Meeting Minutes

Action: Approve

Approval of minutes was deferred to the next meeting on October 18, 2021.

4. ODOT'S Proposed Applications to FHWA's Grant Program including the Waterfall Corridor – Hector Rodriguez/Staff, ODOT (00:01:30)

Information/Discussion

Terra Lingley, along with Valerie Egon, ODOT provided the group with Gorge transportation updates affecting the East County community (00:01:30), followed by opportunities for questions and comments (00:17:04).

Topics included in the discussion were:

- 2019 Congestion and Safety Plan Update (00:01:30)
- “Waterfall Corridor” 2021 Operations Update (00:07:56)
- Preparations for 2022 (00:12:39)
- Applications to FHWA Federal Lands Access Program (00:15:19)

Highlights mentioned in comments and question period were (00:17:04):

Both shuttle providers and transit providers will be providing numbers on ridership and operate their own parking lots so they may be able to also provide numbers on how many cars were taken off the roads.

Both are still anticipating continuing to operate in 2022.

Current ODOT lot in Troutdale (south side) will be used for the park and ride.

Councilor Craddick commented on progress and gave kudos on improvements and asked if Troutdale outlet mall had been contacted about participation. Terra and Valerie mentioned that it has been hard to identify who owns/leases that area, how to configure the parking lot and what amenities would be for users. Councilor Craddick mentioned Ray Young, City Manager may have contact information.

5. Transportation Division Funding/Staffing Update - Cary Stacey, Multnomah County (00:25:23)

Information/Discussion

Cary provided the group with updates on funding and staffing. She followed with an opportunity for questions and comments (03:32:28).

Question and comments highlights:

Cary mentioned she may be able to provide a printed update before the end of the month (00:25:23)

John Miner asked if the 238th completion in October is still on target (00:32:14). Emily Miletich with Multnomah County responded and referred back to Mike Pullen PSA's available with updates...worst case scenario is the end of October.

6. Multnomah County Transportation Planning Update - Jessica Berry, Multnomah County (00:35:19)

Information/Discussion

Jessica Berry provided an update about the Transportation Planning Division and information on strategic planning in the next six months within the planning division (00:35:19).

There were no questions or comments from the group (00:39:02)..

7. Transportation Equity Framework - Allison Boyd, Multnomah County (00:39:39)

Information/Discussion

Allison provided the group with an overview on the Transportation Equity Project (00:39:39). Afterward, she provided the space for questions and comments (00:51:54).

Highlights from comments and questions (00:51:54):

Mayor Stovall expressed his appreciation for Title VI as an essential path forward and asked how we might begin to take a deeper look at some of the things that have been done historically to bifurcate communities of color with transportation and transportation infrastructure that caused significant harm, and to begin to bring opportunity and right some of the historical wrongs (00:53:18).

8. JPACT Report – Member Mayor Stovall, City of Gresham and/or Alternate Councilor Kranz, City of Troutdale (00:56:50)

Information/Discussion

Report on the last JPACT meeting

Mayor Stovall provided a JPACT update (00:56:50):

- Regional Congestion Study updates and agreement decisions (00:57:27)
- Draft policy in Spring of 2022 and options for adoption in the Fall of 2022 (00:57:59)
- Equity and Diversion critical issues (00:58:07)
- ODOT coordination with Metro (00:58:32)
- History of SRTS Regional Program (00:58:58)
- Active transportation and return on investment (00:59:59)

There were no questions or comments.

9. EMCTC Strategic Planning Update – Cary Stacy & Jessica Berry, Multnomah County (01:02:20)

Information/Action

Cary suggested laying out a proposed game plan for continuing with the strategic planning conversations. She relayed that Commissioner Stegmann recommended carving out time in the November and December meetings to continue strategic planning conversations (01:02:31) and that other efforts to schedule additional meetings outside of EMCTC were unsuccessful due to scheduling challenges.

Cary and Jessica proposed discussing equity at the November meeting and tolling and funding in December (01:03:00) and bringing the proposed mission statement and bylaws changes to the January meeting.

There were no questions or comments.

10. JPACT Agenda and Metro Updates – Eliot Rose, Metro (01:04:49)

Information/Discussion

Review Upcoming JPACT Meeting Agenda

Eliot Rose provided the group with a summary of the fatal crashes that occurred in Multnomah County in August (01:04:49):

- 10 people were killed by traffic crashes (7 people were motor vehicle crashes, 1 walking and 2 on motorcycles) (01:05:30)
- 82 total for 2021 in the tri-county metro area; 1 person every 3 days (01:05:46)

Upcoming JPACT Agenda (01:07:03)

- Adoption of findings from Regional Congestion Pricing Study (01:07:11)
- Transportation Omnibus Bill
- Comprehensive summary of safety in the region

There were no questions or comments.

Agency Updates

- Metro Update

Metro Council approved regional transit plan for funding with a focus on equity, safety, climate change and congestion

Work for trail projects will be done through Regional Transit Fund process

Meetings have shifted to 10:30am to 1:00pm

- ODOT Update

No updates

- Port of Portland

Ribbon cutting for Rivergate Boulevard overcrossing is scheduled for September 13th

- TriMet Update

Overnight fatality on Blue Line (person was struck while sitting on tracks)

- Fairview

Urban renewal agency has provided funds to do 30% design on 223rd; presentation to City Council will be on Thursday, September 16th at 3:00pm

Halsey corridor branding project work over the next few months

- Gresham

Sandy Boulevard is nearing completion

Hogan asphalt path on east side completed

- Troutdale

First Friday events successful this summer

- Wood Village

No updates

- Multnomah County

Lateral bridge replacement in Corbett

Overlay on Corbett Hill will require 2 days worth of paving

Other Business- All

Links Mentioned in Meeting

None

Next Regular Meeting: October 18, 2021