

# Agenda



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600 NE Grand Ave.  
Portland, OR 97232-2736

Meeting: 2018 Regional Transportation Plan: Transit Work Group - Meeting # 8  
Date: Wednesday, November 2, 2016  
Time: 1-3 p.m.  
Place: Metro Regional Center, Room 370 a/b  
Purpose: Metro is working with partners and transit providers around the Portland region to embark on the next generation of regional transit planning.  
Outcome(s): The transit strategy will include a shared regional transit vision and an investment plan to help local and regional partners prioritize transit and transit-supportive improvements to help realize that vision.

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## Agenda items

<b>1:00</b>	<b>Welcome and introductions</b> <i>Who have you talked to about this work? What have you heard?</i>	Jamie Snook, Metro
<b>1:15</b>	<b>TriMet SEP policy and prioritization process</b> <i>Provide an overview of TriMet's Service Enhancement Plan (SEP) Policy and prioritization process</i>	Eric Hesse, TriMet
<b>1:50</b>	<b>Regional Transit Spectrum</b> <i>Discuss the different types of transit improvements/projects that can comprise the Regional Transit Vision</i>	Chris Myer, Metro
<b>2:25</b>	<b>Capital transit investments and updating the Regional HCT Plan</b> <i>Discuss potential updates to the HCT Plan and incorporating the enhanced transit corridors</i>	Jamie Snook, Metro
<b>2:50</b>	<b>Next steps</b>	Jamie Snook, Metro
<b>3:00</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>	

Meeting Packet	Next Meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Agenda</li><li>• Summary from October 5<sup>th</sup> meeting</li></ul>	<p><b>Wednesday, December 7, 2016</b> Regional Transit Work Group Meeting #9 1-3 p.m., Room 370 a/b, Metro Regional Center</p>

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# Meeting minutes

Meeting: 2018 Regional Transportation Plan  
Transit Work Group Meeting #7

Date/time: Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 1-3 p.m.

Place: Metro Regional Center, Room 307 a/b

Purpose: Metro is working with partners and transit providers around the Portland region to embark on the next generation of regional transit planning.

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## COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Dan Bower	Portland Streetcar Inc
Karen Buehrig	Clackamas County
Stephan Lashbrook	SMART
Teresa Christopherson	Clackamas County
Mike Coleman	Port of Portland
Dyami Valentine	Washington County?
Katie McQuillan	Multnomah County
Roger Hanson	C-Tran
Eric Hesse	TriMet
Andi Howell	City of Sandy
Luke Pelz	City of Beaverton
Mauricio LeClerc	City of Portland
Steve White	Oregon Public Health Institute
Julie Wehling	Canby Area Transit

### *Metro Staff Present*

Lake McTighe  
Chris Myers  
Cindy Pederson  
Jamie Snook  
Yanna Stannick

## I. INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the work group introduced themselves.

## II. Portland streetcar future plans

Dan Bower presented on the Portland Streetcar future plans as well as changes made to the streetcar system during the summer of 2016.

### III. C-TRAN future plans

Mr. Roger Hanson presented C-TRAN's future plans which included The Vine BRT line, potential/planned route changes and expansions, and bus replacement schedule and funding challenges.

### IV. Regional Transit Vision

Ms. Snook recapped the past work group meeting. Three buckets... Capital investments, transit supportive elements (walk, bike, tech, etc...) Points of interest included: Top 10 Transit Lines, TriMet system percent change in MPH for 90<sup>th</sup> percentile relates to success of frequent service issues "bus bunching." Frequent service line Average Speed (losing speed over time), Variability (80<sup>th</sup> percentile/Median), and Percent Late.

Ms. Snook – Expressed the importance of connecting the strategy to regional needs and the existing HCT network. This group is charged with updating the HCT plan. Do we have the correct elements for HCT?

Mr. LeClerc asked – did we define what rapid streetcar is? Yes, defined as connecting to a regional center with exclusive guide way.

Mr. Hesse asked – Are we doing regional prioritization?

Does high capacity have to do with performance rather than vehicle...?

Ms. Snook led discussion on New Starts Versus Small Starts. How do we package HCT priorities?

Ms. McQuillan - Like the New starts/small starts will limit us will there be something new in a few years? 3<sup>rd</sup> priority on map is WES, can we get an update on WES?

Mr. Laschbrook - If the assumption is that WES will be replaced by light rail. Heavy rail not included on the list. Ms. Snook expressed that commuter rail is on the HCT list.

Mr. Hesse – We should continue discussing WES improvements including right of way next to current heavy rail.

Mr. LeClerc – Expressed that we need to define rapid streetcar figure out what it could be. Need a new definition that fits the needs of the region.

Mr. Bower asked – How do we prioritize core capacity. Ms. Snook explained that we will have to go through the same process as the HCT.

Mr. LeClerc expressed – Core capacity is important. Hard to fund fixing what we have. Great opportunity with federal funding for core capacity. Should create a new category to identify fixes that need to happen.

Ms. Beurhig – There is a hole on the map near happy valley that doesn't have Trimet service. What are the groups' thoughts on the process?

Ms. Snook – I don't see the work being as detailed as the corridor planning process. Identifying a general corridor is the best we can do. More specific discussion comes in project dev. Need to address the 172<sup>nd</sup> area as it's developing rapidly.

Ms. Snook further commented that we need to discuss what the correct need is for that area.

Mr. Hesse– That is a good question and we no more now than we did when map was made.

Mr. Hansen – BRT and Bus on Shoulder, need to be updated on the map.

Ms. Buehrig – How do we use the HCT map? Is it the map for the current regional transit strategy?

Ms. Snook – might be time to take the priority ranking off of the map and focus on what is actually needed now. What are the other needs in the enhanced transit world. It is important for city of Portland to continue to have Powell on the HCT network.

## V. ENHANCED TRANSIT CORRIDORS

What is an Enhanced Transit Corridor – PowerPoint presented.

Ms. Snook went through the presentation regarding Enhanced Transit Corridors.

Mr. Lashbrook – Double decker buses, adding amenities on buses (Wi-Fi), adding bike facilities at transit stops are all amenities that would improve transit.

Ms. McTighe – Additional capacity for bikes on buses would also help

Mr. Coleman – Foundation category, operational strategy regarding express bus service, include bus on shoulder.

Mr. Bower - How are we defining High Capacity Transit?

Ms. Snook – Preliminary recommendations for accessibility slide show presented.

Ms. Snook – Asked whether or not the group could agree on performance measures to move forward with.

Ms. Buehrig - Asked for help understanding how these measures will be applied in the Spring of 2017.

## VI. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

### Attachments to the Record:

Item	Topic	Document Date	Description
1	Agenda		
2	Meeting summary		
3	Memo		