



Present Mayor Frank Bubenik, Council President Joelle Davis, Councilor Paul Morrison, Councilor Robert Kellogg, Councilor Maria Reyes, Councilor Bridget Brooks

Absent Councilor Nancy Grimes

Staff City Manager Sherilyn Lombos; City Attorney Sean Brady, Police Chief Bill Steele,
Present Planning Manager Aquilla Hurd-Ravich, Deputy City Recorder Nicole Morris, Assistant to the City Manager Tanya Williams, City Engineer Jeff Fuchs; IS Director Bates Russell, Management Analyst II Gareth Prior

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bubenik called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m

1. ***Southwest Corridor Plan Update & Discussion.***

Management Analyst Gareth Prior, Metro Staff Malu Wilkinson, and Tri-Met Staff Dave Unsworth presented an update on the SW Corridor Light Rail Project. Mrs. Wilkinson stated in 2009 the region identified the SW Corridor as a transit need. The effort started with land use to connect to places and define a Shared Investment Strategy to support development. Over 60 High Capacity Transit (HCT) routes and two modes (light rail transit and bus rapid transit) were considered. The options were narrowed and are currently going through the federal Draft Environmental Impact Study (DEIS) process. Mrs. Wilkinson stated to date there has been significant public involvement that has led to a locally preferred alternative (LPA) that extends the current green line from Portland State University to Bridgeport Village. The LPA was endorsed by all the partners and adopted by Metro on November 15, 2018. The LPA will offer a 30 minute congestion-proof commute and is projected to be a high ridership line. She stated because this project is a large public investment there will be impacts to local communities so Metro has created the SW Equitable Development Strategy (SWEDS). This will help to ensure opportunities for all current and future SW Corridor residents in housing, workforce development, and business stabilization. Mr. Unsworth shared the timeline for the project noting they will be ready to go to voters for funding in 2020.

Mr. Unsworth spoke to near-term design topics which include decisions at routes including Crossroads, Bonita to Bridgeport, the Marquam Hill Connector, Park and Rides, and Station areas. He spoke directly to Crossroads, noting the five options have now been narrowed to two. Staff will continue to conduct community engagement on the route alternatives.

Councilor Kellogg asked how considering alternatives outside of the DEIS process would impact the study. Mr. Unsworth stated a supplemental environmental study

could be added to the draft or simply added to the final environmental study. He noted he doesn't have any concerns with studying those alternatives and will continue to work closely with federal partners.

Mr. Unsworth spoke to the Bonita to Bridgeport route and the impacts to the Village Inn. Three options have been produced for consideration regarding the displacement of the Village Inn. Mr. Unsworth spoke to the design exploration with options including an elevated route, a route along 74th Ave, and moving the Bridgeport station east of 72nd Ave. He stated there will be several upcoming meetings to discuss design options in February.

Councilor Kellogg stated there is a desire to connect the MAX to the WES system. He believes the benefit of doing this is improved ridership and will relieve pressure off the Bridgeport station.

Councilor Morrison asked if the park and ride along Lower Boones Ferry Road would be moved. Mr. Unsworth stated the Line 96 will not be replaced and will continue until the LRT station is complete. Councilor Morrison asked if the lot would be shared with ODOT. Mr. Unsworth stated ODOT owns the right-of-way.

Council President Davis stated the proposed station location is unique because of its proximity to Bridgeport Village. She would like to see TriMet partner with CenterCal and work towards building a parking garage that could mutually benefit both parties.

Council President Davis stated a pedestrian crossing at 72nd Ave poses many traffic and safety issues and she would like to see an elevated crosswalk used at that location. Her preference for all locations is to have a dedicated right-of-way or elevated path so all modes of travel are not impeded. She also encouraged TriMet to work with the SMART Bus out of Wilsonville to increase the frequency of the route to Bridgeport Village.

Council President Davis stated she would like to see the WES hours expanded to allow citizens the opportunity to join up with the MAX to make connections.

Councilor Reyes agreed with Council President Davis on increasing the frequency of the WES Hours. Mr. Unsworth highlighted service on Line 76 as it offers a high frequency of service to the area.

Councilor Brooks expressed concerns with what goes underneath elevated lines and potential impacts they have. Mr. Unsworth stated design will happen more in depth further in the process but there are lots of ways to mitigate issues. Analyst Prior stated the conceptual design report will be coming out towards the middle of the year and he will be back to Council to discuss options.

Councilor Morrison asked what the timeframe is for an expansion of WES. Mrs. Wilkinson stated it is on a list of regional priorities but no timeframe has been assigned.

Council President Davis asked if the new station could be designed in a way that requires a paid ticket before entering the train. Mr. Unsworth stated people have to buy a ticket to enter the train currently and TriMet is working on enforcement.

Council President Davis would like to see safety and security increased as a priority

Mayor Bubenik asked what the potential hours of service to the Bridgeport Station would be. Mr. Unsworth stated 5am-1am.

Mayor Bubenik wants to ensure there is funding to the Bridgeport Station and that it is equally as valued as the Marquam Station

Mayor Bubenik asked if there has been a traffic study done for the buses at the Lower Boones Ferry area Mr Unsworth stated there has been some traffic analysis done and they are exploring the area further

Mayor Bubenik stated if LRT comes to the area citizens don't want Line 96 rerouted as it is a popular route.

Council President Davis thanked Metro and TriMet for hearing all the concerns in relation to the Village Inn and thanked them for their further evaluations.

Mayor Bubenik reminded citizens to attend the February 21st Open House to express any concerns they may have

2. *City Council Budget Discussion.*

Assistant to the City Manager Tanya Williams presented budget information for the Council to consider in relation to current funding levels and training She presented upcoming training opportunities

Council President Davis asked if there is a list of trainings available Manager Williams stated there is a list available on the League of Oregon Cities website

Mayor Bubenik stated he will be attending the National League of Cities conference this year

City Manager Lombos stated she would like the council to provide staff with a general idea of trainings they wish to receive so staff can budget appropriately

Councilor Brooks stated she is open to attending all opportunities.

Councilor Kellogg asked if there is money in the budget for a Councilor to go and represent the city to lobby for transportation funding in Washington DC with JPACT City Manager Lombos stated there are funds available

3. *Proclamation Request.*

Mayor Bubenik presented the request He noted the proclamation would not be dedicated until September. Council consensus was reached to approve the request.

4. *Council Meeting Agenda Review, Communications & Roundtable.*

Councilor Kellogg announced there will be an open house on the SW Corridor project to be held on March 11. They will be making a decision on the Bonita portion at that time. He stated he will work with the group to push the decision further down the road so that all variables can be considered.

Councilor Morrison attended the Clackamas County Coordinating Committee where they discussed letters of support for funding of the I-205 project. He encouraged all the Councilors to touch base with our representatives and let them know how important funding for the project is.

Councilor Brooks stated she attended the Tualatin Neighborhood Ready meeting, Council Committee on Advisory Appointments meeting, and the Regional Water Providers Consortium. She stated she would like the Council to work on marketing for emergency preparedness.

Council President Davis attended the Washington County Coordinating Committee where they discussed the MSTIP opportunity funds, other grant funding opportunities, the Cornelius Pass shutdown, and the TriMet Redline extension. She stated she will be attending the JPAC trip April 29-May 2 to lobby for transportation funding.

Mayor Bubenik stated he attended the City of Hillsboro State of the City event, the Tualatin Police Department banquet, the Metro's Mayors press conference in Salem, the Policy Advisory Board where the Community Development Block Grant award were approved, and the Tualatin Aging Task Force meeting.

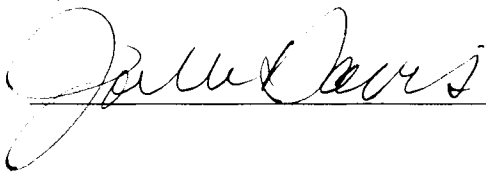
ADJOURNMENT

The work session adjourned at 6.48 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager



/ Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary



/ Frank Bubenik, Mayor