

### MEMORANDUM CITY OF TUALATIN

TO:	Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
FROM:	Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager
DATE:	February 25, 2019
SUBJECT:	Work Session for February 25, 2019

**5:00 p.m. (45 min) – Tualatin Moving Forward Update.** In May 2018, Tualatin voters approved a \$20 million transportation bond to construct congestion relief and neighborhood safety projects throughout the city. Tonight's presentation will focus on the significant achievements made since that time. The Council will also review the project list and identify other potential projects that should be considered in putting together the work program.

**5:45 p.m. (30 min) – Tualatin Service Center Update.** The City is planning an expansion of the Operations Center at Herman Rd and SW 108<sup>th</sup>. The new building will complete the next phase of the Operations master plan and will bring together several functions within the city, creating an accessible one-stop-shop permit center and counter. The Council will hear an update on the design process to date and look ahead to the next steps for the project.

**6:15 p.m. (30 min) – 2018 Economic Development Annual Report.** The 2018 City of Tualatin Economic Development Annual Report highlights targeted accomplishments and programs that meet the Tualatin City Council's 2030 Vision of "an expanded tax base built on attracting targeted business clusters that enhance our community, provide family wage jobs, and sustain our financial stability."

**6:45 p.m. (5 min) – I-205 Funding | Request for Letters of Support.** Clackamas County is organizing a letter of support for I-205 funding to the State Legislature and is asking Tualatin to sign on to the letter; in addition, ODOT is applying for federal funds to replace the Abernethy Bridge and is requesting a letter of support from Tualatin. Draft letters are attached.

6:50 p.m. (10 min) – Council Meeting Agenda Review, Communications & Roundtable. Council will review the agenda for the February 25<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting and brief the Council on issues of mutual interest.



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TO:	Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
THROUGH:	Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager
FROM:	Tanya Williams, Assistant to the City Manager
DATE:	02/25/2019
SUBJECT:	Update on the Tualatin Moving Forward Transportation Funding Program

#### **ISSUE BEFORE THE COUNCIL:**

The City Council will hear a quarterly update on the transportation bond program Tualatin Moving Forward

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

In May 2018, Tualatin voters approved a \$20 million transportation bond to construct congestion relief and neighborhood safety projects throughout the city. Since that time, the City has made considerable progress towards meeting our commitments to the community. The first five projects will be completed by early 2019 and five other projects have moved into the planning phase. This presentation will focus on the significant achievements made over the last 6 months, including bringing on a program delivery team to lead the implementation of the program over the next 3-4 years. The Council will also review the project list and identify other potential projects that should be considered in putting together the work program.

Attachments: PowerPoint



# **Quarterly Report**

City Council Work Session February 25, 2019

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- Review progress
- Introduce projects moving forward
- Review list of future projects



# Looking Back – Let's Get Moving!

- May 15Election Night Measure 34-282 approved by voters
- July 27 Tualatin's strong Aa1 rating reaffirmed
- August 8Bond sales yield savings

## Program "ready to go" just 90 days post-election!

- September Fast-Track projects underway
- **September** First project completed
- **December** Second project completed
- January Program Manager on-board
- **February** Third, fourth projects completed



## What was Promised

### **Issues people care about:**

congestion relief, neighborhood safety, access to schools

- A defined universe of projects
- Invest in 3 project types
- **Complete projects in 3-5 years**

**Geographic distribution** 







- 1. 115th Ave: Tualatin Rd to Hazelbrook Rd: Bike lanes serving Hazelbrook Middle School
- 2. Avery St: Boones Ferry Rd to Martinazzi Ave: Driver feedback signs
- 3. Ibach St: at Ibach Park: Midblock crosswalk with pedestrian activated flashing beacons
- 4. Sagert St: at Atfalati Park: Midblock crosswalk with pedestrian activated flashing beacons
- 5. Boones Ferry Rd at Siletz Dr: Intersection improvements and pedestrian crossing
- ✓ Work began on the first projects in 2018
- ✓ All will be completed by early 2019!





Re-stripe the road to add buffered bike lanes on 115<sup>th</sup> Ave. (No auto lane/ parking removals required.)

Completion: September 2018

Cost: \$15,100

Project Type: Safe Access to Schools





### 4. Sagert St at Atfal midblock cros

- The many with a pedestrianac completed in December and most immediately.
- Successful engagement with the Stoneridge neighborhood.
- People helped decide the best location for the crossing.

Completion: December 2018

### Cost: \$98,500

Project Type: Neighborhood Safety (Safe Access to Parks)





## **More Built Projects**

2. Avery St: Boones Ferry Rd to Martinazzi Ave: driver feedback signs Cost: \$31,000

3. Ibach St at Ibach Park: midblock crosswalk with pedestrian activated flashing beacon Cost: \$84,000





# We Are Keeping Score

TUALATIN MOVING FORWARD – REPORT CARD February 2019

	CONGESTION RELIEF	PLAN	DESIGN	CONSTRUCT	BUILT!	соят
	Tualatin Rd and Teton Ave					
	New traffic signal					
	Myslony St: 124 <sup>th</sup> Ave to 112 <sup>th</sup> Ave					
	Upgrade street and sidewalks					
	Tualatin-Sherwood Rd: Martinazzi Ave to I-5	•				\$2,339,000
	Add eastbound lane; upgrade Fred Meyer intersection	-				\$2,559,000
	Martinazzi Ave and Sagert St	•				CO 407 000
	New traffic signal	-				\$2,407,000
	118 <sup>th</sup> Ave and Herman Rd					
	Upgrade intersection					
	124 <sup>th</sup> Ave and Future Blake St					
	New traffic signal for future road construction					
	NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC SAFETY	PLAN	DESIGN	CONSTRUCT	BUILT!	COST
	Tualatin Rd: Sweek Dr to Community Park					
	Upgrade sidewalk and midblock crosswalk					
	Garden Corner Curves: Morotoc Dr to Willow St					
	Pedestrian, bike and roadway improvements to reduce speed and improve safety.	•	•			\$3,577,000
	Boones Ferry Rd: Norwood Rd to South City limits					
	Upgrade sidewalk and fill in missing segments					
<u> (1)</u>	SAFE ACCESS TO SCHOOLS	PLAN	DESIGN	CONSTRUCT	BUILT!	COST
	115 <sup>th</sup> Ave: Tualatin Rd to Hazelbrook Rd					
	Buffered bike lanes and crosswalk serving Hazelbrook School	•	•	•		\$15,100
	Hwy 99W: Pony Ridge Neighborhood to 124 <sup>th</sup> Ave	•				\$558,000
	Add new sidewalks	-				\$556,000
	95 <sup>th</sup> Ave and Avery St (Tualatin Elementary School)					
	Upgrade road and sidewalk to reduce speed and improve					
	pedestrian safety					

### TUALATIN MOVING FORWARD – REPORT CARD February 2019

×.	DRIVER FEEDBACK SIGNS		DESIGN	CONSTRUCT	BUILT!	COST
	1. Avery St: Boones Ferry Rd to Martinazzi Ave Driver feedback signs	•	•	•		\$31,000

CROSSWALKS WITH PEDESTRIAN-ACTIVATED SIGNALS		PLAN	DESIGN	CONSTRUCT	BUILT!	COST
1.	Ibach St: at Ibach Park Midblock crosswalk with pedestrian activated flashing beacons	٠	•	•	•	\$84,000
2.	Sagert St: at Atfalati Park Midblock crosswalk with pedestrian activated flashing beacons	•	•	•		\$98,500
3.	Boones Ferry Rd at Siletz Dr Upgrade intersection and add pedestrian activated flashing beacons	٠	•			\$426,000
4.	65 <sup>th</sup> Ave: near Meridian Park Hospital Midblock crosswalk with pedestrian activated flashing beacons					
5.	Grahams Ferry Rd at Dogwood St Midblock crosswalk with pedestrian activated flashing beacons					
6.	Boones Ferry Rd: at Alabama St Midblock crosswalk with pedestrian activated flashing beacons	•				\$310,000



## **Project-Specific Outreach...**

#### **Boones Ferry Rd and Siletz Dr Project**

#### **Project Description:**

At the intersection of Boones Ferry Rd and Siletz Dr, the City will install a pedestrian activated signal at the crosswalk on the north side of the intersection. The project will close the south crosswalk and install high-visibility crosswalks on the west and east sides, in order to guide pedestrians to use the signal activated crossing to the north, which has a safer sight distance for drivers and pedestrians. Sidewalk and curb return upgrades at all corners of the intersection will improve ADA accessibility.



\$426,000

**Project Schedule** 







This project

Tie-in to existing trail Pedestrian activated signal at crosswalk N SILETZ DI stall high visibility osswalk on west and east sides of intersectio Remove crosswalk, xtend left turn lane and add No Crossing signs mprove all corners of intersection with sidewalk and curb ramps

#### Updated: Oct. 5 2018

## ...and Celebrations





## **Project Suggestions**



#### Want to suggest a project in your area?

In May 2018, Tualatin voters approved a \$20 million General Obligation bond measure to pay for local projects that relieve congestion and improve neighborhood traffic safety.

The City of Tualatin is seeking residents' suggestions for needed traffic safety projects citywide. Do you have a project in mind? Let us know! Tell us about the route/location/situation you want to suggest

Street name and cross street, or closest intersection:

#### Speeding issues: \_\_\_\_\_

Neighborhood pedestrian safety issues: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Tell us about this route/location (check all that apply)

- People use this route to get to school
- school 🗆 ...Or to a park
- People use this route to get to other public services (medical, commercial, public transit).
- People are driving in excess of the posted speed
  ...Or do not yield to people crossing the street
- Location has crashes involving pedestrians, bicyclists and/or motor vehicles (you may provide further details in the comments section)
- There is a signalized intersection that seems unsafe for people walking
- Lack of crosswalks
  Distance to nearest safe crosswalk is too great

Lack of bike lanes

Lack of safe sidewalks

-MORE-



#### ¿Quiere sugerir un proyecto en su área?

En mayo de 2018, los votantes de Tualatin aprobaron una medida de bonos de obligación de \$ 20 millones para pagar los proyectos locales que alivian la congestión y mejoran la seguridad del tráfico en los vecindarios.

La ciudad de Tualatin está buscando sugerencias de los residentes para proyectos de seguridad vial necesarios en toda la ciudad. ¿Tiene un proyecto en mente? Háganos saber

Nombre de la calle y cruce de calle, o intersección más cercana:

- Problemas de exceso de velocidad: \_\_\_\_\_
- Asuntos de seguridad del peatón del vecindario:

#### Díganos sobre esta ruta / ubicación (marque todas las que correspondan)

- La gente usa esta ruta para ir a la escuela
  ...O al parque
- Las personas usan esta ruta para llegar a otros servicios públicos (médicos, tiendas, transporte público).
- □ La gente está conduciendo en exceso de la velocidad publicada □ ... O no ceden a las personas que cruzan la calle.
- □ La ubicación tiene accidentes con peatones, ciclistas y / o vehículos motorizados (puede proporcionar más detalles en la sección de comentarios)
- □ Hay una intersección señalizada que parece insegura para las personas que caminan
- Falta de pasos de peatones
   La distancia al cruce peatonal más cercano es demasiado grande.

Falta de carriles bicicletas

- Falta de aceras seguras
- -MAS-

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## **On Board – Program Manager**

### **Responsible for project delivery: started in January 2019**

Verifies project assumptions and budgets Completes conceptual engineering/final plans Manages construction, schedules, budgets Monitors costs & updates cash flow projections Coordinates with other agencies Obtains permits Monitors and reports on progress





# **Projects Moving Forward**

- Garden Corner Curves: Moratoc Dr. to Willow St. (pedestrian, bike and roadway improvements)
- Hwy 99W: Pony Ridge neighborhood to 124<sup>th</sup> Ave. (new sidewalks)
- **Boones Ferry Rd at Alabama St.** (crosswalk with pedestrian activated signal; new sidewalks along Boones Ferry)
- Martinazzi Ave. and Sagert St. (new traffic signal)
- **Tualatin-Sherwood Rd.: Martinazzi to I-5** (add a third eastbound lane from Martinazzi to I-5; other improvements)



- Engineers are surveying the site, trees and water resources.
- Design work is getting underway for road and pathway.
- Planned community engagement: involve Midwest and Ibach CIOs, update the property owners along the corridor, host events.











Current

**Projects** 



	Congestion Relief					
	Martinazzi Ave. and Sagert St.	\$2	\$ 2,407,000.00			
)	Tualatin-Sherwood Rd.: Martinazzi to I-5	\$2	2,339,000.00			
	Neighborhood Traffic Safety					
	Garden Corner Curves: Mortoc Dr to Willow St	\$3	3,577,000.00			
	Driver Feedback Signs					
	Avery St: Boones Ferry Rd to Martinazzi Ave	\$	31,000.00			
	<b>Crosswalks With Pedestrian Activate</b>	d S	ignals			
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	Boones Ferry Rd and Siletz Dr	\$	426,000.00			
	Safe Access to Schools					
	Boones Ferry Rd at Alabama St	\$	310,000.00			
	115th Ave: Tualatin Rd to Hazelbrook Rd	\$	15,100.00			
SAFE ACCESS TO SCHOOLS						
	Hwy 99W: Pony Ridge neighborhood to 124th Ave	\$	558,000.00			
	Total:		\$9,845,600			





## **Citywide Programs**

CITYWIDE PROGRAMS		
	Pedestrian Crossings	\$1,263,750
	Driver Feedback Signs	\$183,333

Subtotal: \$1,447,083

Identify project locations through new process & with community input

**Construct improvements throughout the next 5 years** 





**Available Funding** 

Current Projects Completed or Underway	\$9,845,600
Citywide Projects	\$1,447,083
Subtotal	\$11,292,683
Remaining	\$8,707,317





### Remaining Projects from The Universe of Projects (\$43m List)

Project	Estimate
Tualatin Rd and Teton Ave	\$743,000.00
Myslony St: 124th Ave to 112th Ave	\$2,957,000.00
118th Ave and Herman Rd	\$550,000.00
124th Ave and Future Blake St	\$750,000.00
Tualatin Rd: Sweek Dr to Community Park	\$314,000.00
Grahams Ferry Rd and Dogwood St	\$226,000.00
65th Ave: near Meridian Park Hospital	\$225,000.00
95th Ave and Avery St (Tualatin Elementary School)	\$901,000.00
Citywide - Pedestrian Safety	\$1,263,750.00
Citywide - Speed Reduction	\$183,333.00

Project	Estimate
Citywide bike lane upgrade program	\$387,000.00
Blake St: 115th to 124th	\$16,398,000.00
Boones Ferry - Warm Springs to City Limits sidewalk/bike lane infill	\$1,612,000.00
Herman Road: Tualatin Road to 124th Avenue	\$5,576,000.00
Citywide - Safe Access to Parks Program	\$392,000.00
Sagert St 72nd to Wapanoag	\$354,000.00







- April Council will review prioritization process
- Next quarterly report May 2019







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то:	Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
THROUGH:	Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager
FROM:	Tanya Williams, Assistant to the City Manager
DATE:	02/25/2019
SUBJECT:	Update on Tualatin Service Center Project

#### **ISSUE BEFORE THE COUNCIL:**

The City Council will receive a status report from staff on the Tualatin Service Center,

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City is planning an expansion at the Public Works Department's Operations Building at Herman Rd and SW 108<sup>th</sup>. The new building would complete the next phase of the Operations master plan and would bring together several functions within the city, including community development, public works, and operations. Bringing together internal departments also benefits the development community in creating an accessible one-stop-shop permit center and counter.

In October, the Council reviewed the proposed concept for the building. Since that time the City has taken several steps to move the project forward, including completing preliminary scoping and design work. The City will also be hiring an owner's representative to help staff manage the project. The Council will hear an update on the design process to date and look ahead to the next steps for the project.

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## **Tualatin Service Center Update**

# City Council Work Session February 25, 2019

# Tonight

- Review Project Concept & Benefits
- Learn About Work Completed Since October 2018
- Owner's Rep Team
- Schedule
- Next Steps



# **Services Center Concept**

- Expansion of Public Works operations complex at Herman Rd and SW 108<sup>th</sup>
- Completes Next Phase of Operations Master Plan
- Co-locates like departments on one site:
  - Public Works
  - Maintenance & Operations
  - Development Services & Planning
  - Permit counters





# **Benefits**

- One-stop-shop for permitting
- Easy access for the development community
- Increase in staff efficiency by being co-located
- Enables Finance & Administration to move back to City-owned buildings
- Eliminates rented office space
- Addresses current space needs and requirements



# **Project Budget**

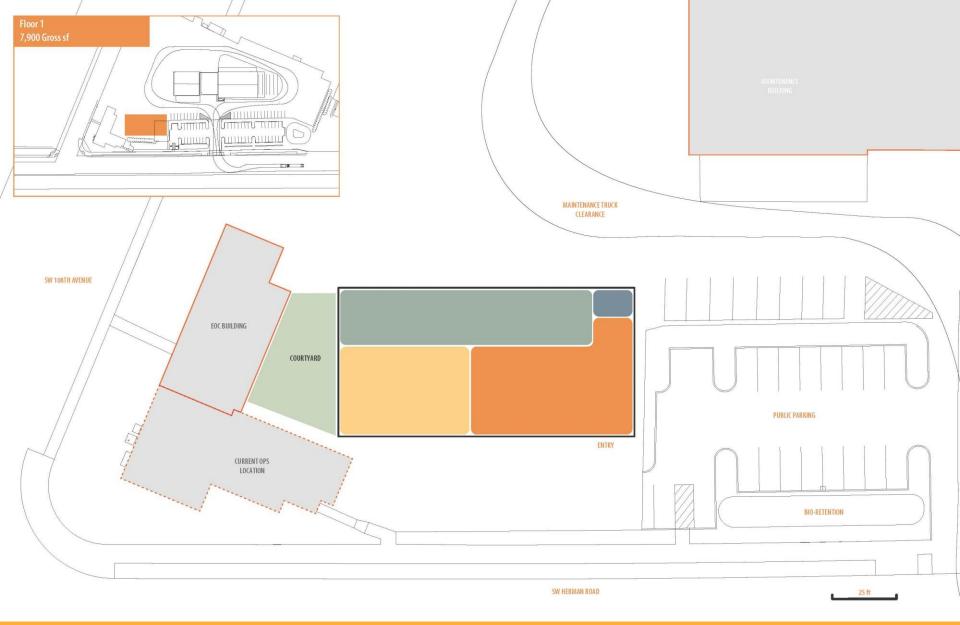
- •\$8 million total funds available
- Funded through existing funds and financing



# **Preliminary Scoping Completed**

- Conceptual Design & Site Plans
- Traffic Analysis
- Preliminary Storm Drainage Report
- Site Work Requirements











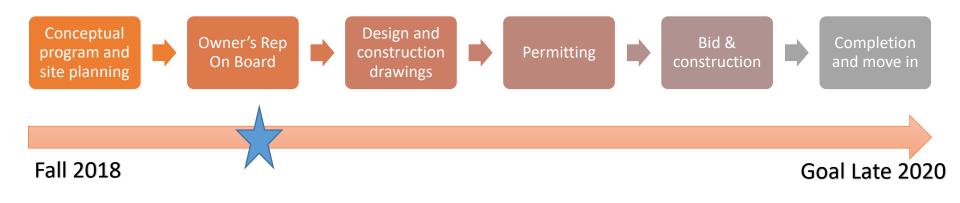
# Project Management



- Owner's Rep: Plan B Consultancy
- Provide project management services including:
  - Project Plan, Budgeting, Communication
  - Design & Construction Management
  - Permitting/Land Use Processes



# Timeline





# **Next Steps**

- Land Use & Plan Text Amendments
- Owner's Rep completes updated schedule
- RFP for Architect Services
- Identify Employee Advisory Group



# **Questions & Discussion**





#### MEMORANDUM CITY OF TUALATIN

TO:	Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
THROUGH:	Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager
FROM:	Jonathan Taylor, Economic Development Manager
DATE:	02/25/2019
SUBJECT:	The 2018 City of Tualatin Economic Development Annual Report

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The 2018 City of Tualatin Economic Development Annual Report highlights targeted accomplishments and programs that meet the Tualatin City Council's 2030 Vision of "an expanded tax base built on attracting targeted business clusters that enhance our community, provide family wage jobs, and sustain out financial stability."

As the primary face of the City of Tualatin to our business community, the program's work is to promote, develop, and assist with opportunities for business and entrepreneurial development. The program's work and investment is guided by the Economic Development Action Plan. This plan was last updated in 2014 and is the third update (1989, 2001, 2014) of the Economic Development Strategic Plan of 1984 and an added strategy in implementing Tualatin Tomorrow's Vision Plan of facilitating economic opportunities. The 2014 Update focuses the economic development program on two strategies: 1.) business retention, expansion, and recruitment; and, 2.) business climate and competitive positioning.

The first strategy, **business retention**, **expansion**, **and recruitment**, focuses on "retaining and cultivating growth of existing businesses, as well as attracting new employers." Key components of strategy 1 include: a business visitation program, assist with site readiness, focus on filling existing buildings, targeting key industries, and marketing Tualatin's Assets. The second strategy, **business climate and competitive positioning**, focuses on "creating and maintaining a positive climate for businesses." Key components of strategy 2 include: Identifying code changes, collaborating regionally, and assisting business startups.

The plan concludes with the importance of economic development by recognizing that a fundamental element to overall quality of life is the health of the local economy. Businesses provide jobs, strong tax base to support high quality services, and bring prosperity to the community. Furthermore, businesses contribute significantly to local charities and sponsor community events.

The program currently has one-full time employee dedicated to economic development and is located within the Community Development Department.

#### 2018 Highlights: Strategy 1: Business Retention, Expansion & Recruitment

- Eight Site Visits (Nortek, Brew Dr. Kombuca, Zincfive, Lam Research, Legacy Meridian, Pacific Foods, Clubsport, CenterCal.)
- CoStar Implementation
- Ground Breaking (Franklin Business Park III)
- New Industry Cluster Update
- 4 Requests for Information (Advanced Manufacturing, Information Technology, Food Processing, and Distribution.)
- Opportunity Zone Designation

#### Strategy 2:Business Climate/ Competitive Positioning

- Code Modernization Tualatin Development Code Improvement Project Phase 1
- Greater Portland Technology Challenge
- Greater Portland Inc. Certified Ambassador
- Two Occupational Analysis
- Numerous Business Interactions (Westside Economic Alliance, Tualatin Chamber of Commerce, Business Oregon)

Our regional and state partners have also contributed to Tualatin's economic development success. In 2018, Greater Portland Inc (GPI), the regional economic development recruitment agency, convened 12 Small Cities Consortium meetings in Tualatin, 26 of the 41 business recruitment projects considered Tualatin, and between 2014-2017 GPI helped recruit three companies to Tualatin. Business Oregon, the state's economic development agency, awarded over \$70,000 in state trade, export, and capital access financing and grant programs to Tualatin businesses.

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### **2018 ANNUAL REPORT**

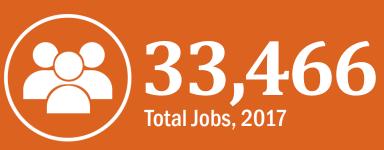
### COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT



44.9% Bachelor's Degree or higher



\$72,580 Household Income







Source: 2012-2017 American Community Survey, US Census, Oregon Employment Department

# BUILDING BLOCKS





### FACILITATING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

Goal 15: Identify and accelerate business development within targeted industry clusters

Goal 16: Prioritize economic development that catalyzes community events.



Tualatin is guided by a community-driven vision plan called Tualatin Tomorrow. In part, the purpose of the Economic Development Strategic Plan is to add additional detail and strategy towards implementing part of the Tualatin Tomorrow Vision Plan.

#### WHY IS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IMPORTANT?

The City of Tualatin recognizes that a fundamental element to the overall quality of life is the health of the local economy. Businesses provide jobs, a strong tax base to support high quality services, and bring prosperity to the community. Furthermore, businesses contribute significantly to local charities and sponsor community events.



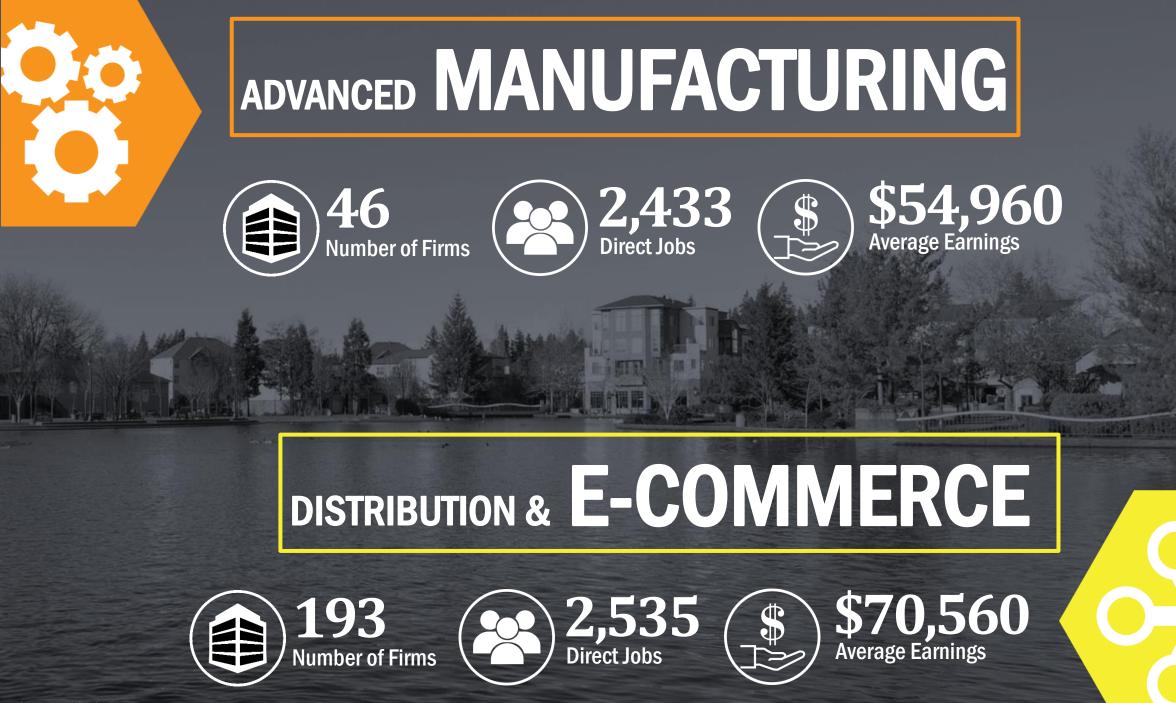
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN City of Tualatin | 2014 Update



"Continue a leadership role as one of the premier economic activity centers in the greater Portland metropolitan region. Focus on growing family wage jobs in targeted business clusters while encouraging high standards and excellence in urban design."

2014 Economic Action Plan Update

# INDUSTRY CLUSTERS



# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY





**109,832** Average Earnings \$

# CORPORATION & BUSINESS SERVICES







Source: EMSI, Oregon Employment Department

# FOOD & BEVERAGE PRODUCTION







**\$53,218** Average Earnings

# HEALTH SERVICES







Source: EMSI, Oregon Employment Department

### TUALATIN'S ECONOMY

Economic Output

ClusterJobs









Source: EMSI, Oregon Employment Department

# INFRASTRUCTURE

# QUALITY OF LIFE

#### **KEY ASSUMPTIONS**

## INFRASTRUCTURE

Continuing to prioritize key infrastructure investments for business growth and community livability.

**Tualatin Moving Forward** 

**Expansion of Bus Service** 



Build on past successes to continue to create an attractive place to live, work, play, and visit.



Parks Master Plan



**Tourist Attraction** 

#### **KEY ASSUMPTIONS**

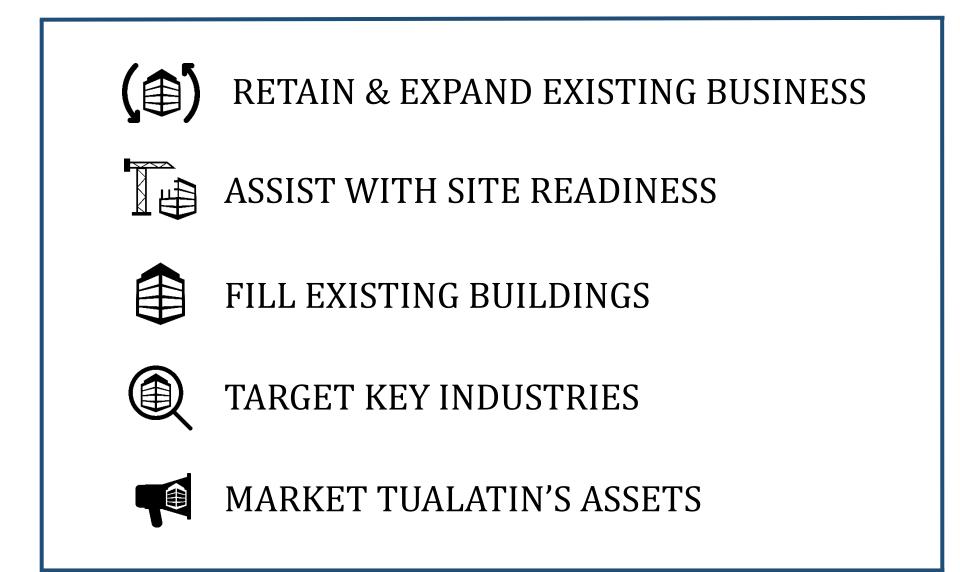
# QUALITY OF LIFE



# **STRATEGY 1**

**Business Retention, Expansion, & Recruitment** 

Retaining and cultivating the growth of existing businesses, as well as attracting new employers, is central to the health of Tualatin.



## HIGHLIGHTS —



8 Site Visits



**CoStar Implementation** 



1 Ground Breaking



New Industry Cluster Update



4 Request for Information



**Opportunity Zone Designation** 







# 153

WORKERS ADDED

### **1,330 1**5%

Source: City of Tualatin Finance, New Business License Applications, 2018

Source: State of Oregon, 2016 v 2017



### **OFFICE MARKET**

**1.2M\*** SF TOTAL INVENTORY **O**\* SF UNDER CONSTR.



\$24.88 MARKET RENT/SF



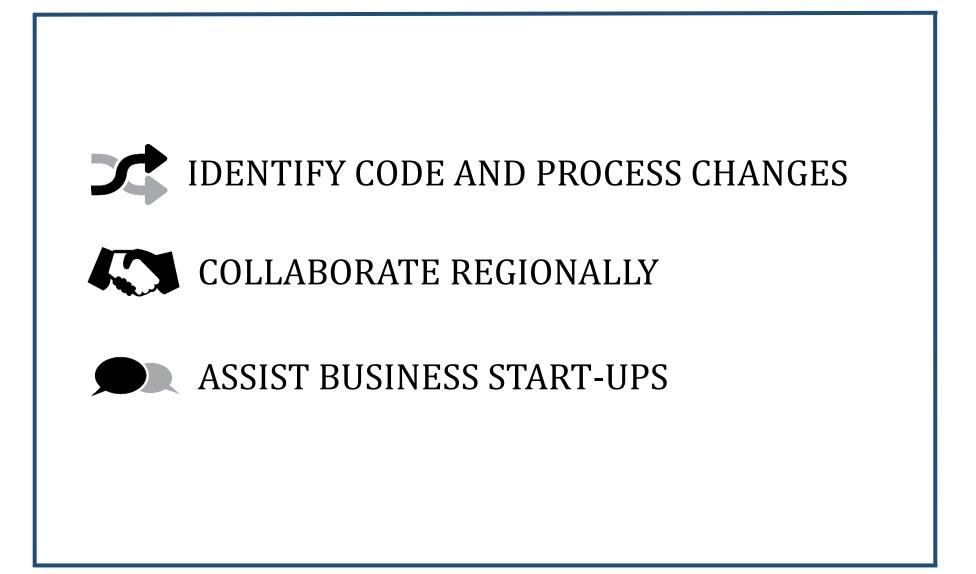
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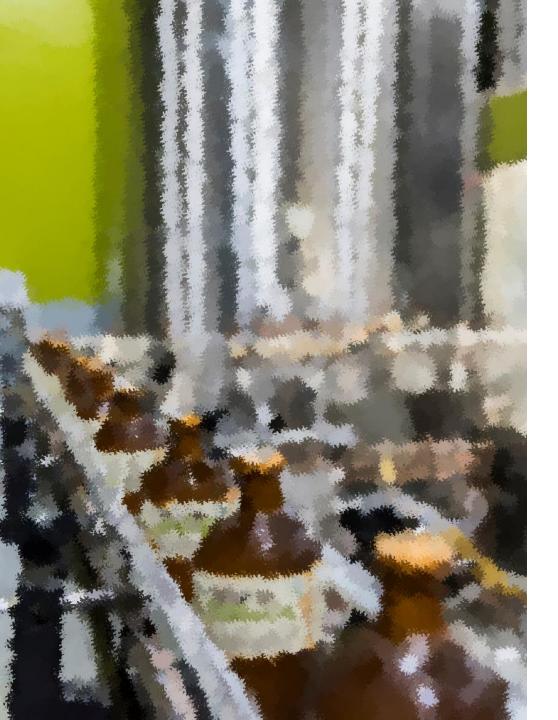
Source: CoStar 2018

# **STRATEGY 2**

**Business Climate and Competitive Positioning** 

### Creating and maintaining <u>a positive climate</u> for business.





### 2018 HIGHLIGHTS -



Code Modernization – TDCIP



Greater Portland Tech Challenge



**Greater Portland Inc. Certified** Ambassador



**Two Occupational Analysis** 



Numerous Business Interactions

"Cultivating a network of regional champions [...] to strengthen our region."

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### **OUR PARTNERS**

### **GREATER PORTLAND INC**

### **12 Regional Meetings**

### 26

**Tualatin Project Considerations** 

**Companies Recruited 2014-2017** 

### **BUSINESS OREGON**

### **1** Business Visit

### \$45,830

**State Trade and Export Grant Program** 

\$25,000

Capital Access Program



# **QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION?**



### STAFF REPORT CITY OF TUALATIN

#### City Council Work Session

Meeting Date: 02/25/2019

Subject: I-205 Funding- Request for Letters of Support

Through: Sherilyn Lombos, Administration

Attachment A- Letter of Support Attachment B- I-205 Support Letter March 4, 2019

The Honorable Elaine Chao Secretary of Transportation United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590 Dear Secretary Chao:

The City of Tualatin supports the Oregon Department of Transportation's (ODOT) INFRA grant application to improve the Abernethy Bridge on Interstate 205 (I-205), an important link on the regional interstate system providing a wide variety of economic benefits to Clackamas County, the State of Oregon, and the nation as a whole.

Tualatin is home to 27,000 residents and 32,000 jobs. Our thriving community relies on a functioning transportation system to serve our residents and many businesses. The city is located at the intersection of I-205 and I-5 which allows for excellent access, but also puts the City in the middle of major traffic jams. The congestion on I-205 makes it difficult for our residents to travel to work, services, and activities. The congestion also increases the challenge of moving freight. The congestion continues to get worse. Without improvements, the problems will continue and worsen due to the forecasted growth in households and businesses over the next five, ten, and twenty years.

Improved mobility is essential for businesses to prosper and residents to have safe, reliable access to services and activities. The City of Tualatin firmly believes the I-205 Abernethy Bridge project will provide significant benefits to our economic development and to our local residents who rely on this vital corridor. We urge your support for this project, and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Frank Bubenik, Mayor

March X, 2019

Legislative Leadership Oregon State Capitol Salem, OR 97301

Re: I-205 Widening and Seismic Improvements Project

Dear Ways and Means Co-Chairs Johnson, Steiner Hayward & Rayfield, and Joint Transportation Committee Co-Chairs McKeown & Beyer,

As officials elected by and/or representing the residents of the Portland metropolitan region, we share an obligation to protect their safety and promote a healthy economy that is accessible to all. The health and safety of our region and our state are inextricably linked to the infrastructure that connects them. In our region, millions depend on Interstate 205 for that connection.

Thanks to HB 2017, the Legislature identified the I-205 bottleneck between Stafford Road and OR 213 as a signature congestion relief project for the state. With ODOT's subsequent investment of \$53.7 million for planning and design, the project is expected to be shovel ready in early 2020 at a cost of \$460 million. Unfortunately, under current plans, construction will be delayed until 2026 at the earliest due to a lack of funding. And each year that we wait, the estimated project cost increases by \$15 million. We believe it's our duty to act now to protect this important lifeline by funding these essential upgrades to I-205 in the 2019 legislative session.

This project reflects several important values that Oregonians expect from their transportation system:

**Safety** – As a designated statewide north-south lifeline route, I-205 will be called upon to provide supplies and services to the region shortly after a disaster. Immediate action is needed to seismically upgrade the Abernethy Bridge and replace or retrofit eight additional bridges in the project area to withstand a major earthquake.

**Economic opportunity** – The federal government has designated I-205 as a High Priority Corridor in the Portland metropolitan area. It connects employers, the traveling public, and businesses to the Portland International Airport, the State of Washington, and numerous local jurisdictions. This corridor serves as vital infrastructure for the economic health of both the region and the entire State of Oregon.

**Quality of life** – When the Governor's Transportation Vision Panel met with communities statewide in 2016 seeking input on a transportation package, the public and businesses from all corners of Oregon sent a clear message on the need to address highway congestion in the Portland region, including the I-205 bottleneck.

We can't let these critical capacity and seismic upgrades languish while waiting at least seven more years for new revenues. We must begin right away. Resources and opportunities are available this biennium to address this need.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue and we urge your support for a funding solution in the 2019 legislative session to ensure that I-205 improves the quality of life of all Oregonians.

Sincerely,

CC: Governor Brown, Speaker Kotek, President Courtney