


Date: December 13, 2023

To: Board of Directors

From: Sam Desue, Jr. 

Subject: **RESOLUTION NO. 23-12-60 OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE 2024-25 HB 2017 TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

1. Purpose of Item

This Resolution requests that the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) confirm appointments to the HB 2017 Transit Advisory Committee for calendar years 2024 and 2025.

2. Type of Agenda Item

- Initial Contract
- Contract Modification
- Other: Appoint HB 2017 Transit Advisory Committee Members

3. Reason for Board Action

State law requires that the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) create a Transit Advisory Committee and appoint members.

4. Type of Action:

- Resolution
- Ordinance 1st Reading
- Ordinance 2nd Reading
- Other _____

5. Background

During the 2017 legislative session, the legislature dedicated resources for mass transit services through passage of HB 2017, the Keep Oregon Moving Act (Or Laws 2017 Chap. 750, Sec. 122o(1)). HB 2017 requires the Board to establish and appoint members to a Transit Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) to advise and assist TriMet in developing a plan for projects and programs funded from HB 2017 distributions for each two-year funding period.

HB 2017 and its Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) implementing regulations require that the Advisory Committee ensure broad geographical and interest group representation. Therefore, the Advisory Committee includes members who represent older adults, persons with disabilities, minorities and low income communities, employers, educational interests, regional governmental entities, transportation service providers inside and outside of the TriMet district, and other interested parties. Both TriMet’s Transit Equity Advisory Committee (TEAC) and Committee on Accessible Transportation (CAT) are represented on the Advisory Committee. In order to ensure coordination with existing regional land use and transportation strategies, the Committee also includes members of

Metro's regional Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT). In addition, as provided pursuant to Resolution No. 22-08-47, the Advisory Committee now includes one representative from each TriMet Board member district.

The Advisory Committee's HB 2017 plan for each funding period must be approved by the TriMet Board of Directors, and then submitted to the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC). Approval by the OTC is required before HB 2017 funds may be disbursed to TriMet for new or improved projects and programs. In order to receive FY26-27 HB 2017 funds, TriMet must submit the next update to its HB 2017 plan to the OTC in January of 2025. This means that TriMet staff must work with the Advisory Committee during 2024 to modify the plan as needed, and allocate any new funds that may be provided.

Advisory Committee members are appointed for two-year terms, with the opportunity to be re-appointed for three additional terms (eight years total). In Resolution No. 22-08-47, the Board re-appointed some returning Advisory Committee members and added new members to replace those who left the Committee in the summer of 2022. This Resolution requests that the Board confirm the re-appointments of returning Advisory Committee members and the appointments of replacements for departing Advisory Committee members. The proposed 2024-2025 Advisory Committee includes 17 re-appointments and eight new members, and is attached as Exhibit A to this Resolution. Brief member biographies are found in Exhibit B.

6. Diversity

As required by HB 2017 and ODOT regulations, the proposed Advisory Committee membership encompasses a broad range of interests, perspectives, and racial and cultural backgrounds, while also ensuring representation from all the major regional governmental jurisdictions.

7. Financial/Budget Impact

Although approval of this Resolution will have no direct budgetary impact, maintenance of the Advisory Committee is necessary for TriMet to receive funding from the Oregon legislature's HB 2017 programs.

8. Impact if Not Approved

TriMet will not be eligible for HB 2017 funding for FY2026-2027 without the existence of a functioning Advisory Committee and its assistance in developing a plan for review by the OTC. Failure to appoint a full complement of Advisory Committee members and failure to approve the updated Advisory Committee bylaws would make TriMet non-compliant with the requirements of HB 2017, unable to fulfill its role in disbursing HB 2017 funds to other regional transit providers, and ineligible for receipt of substantial HB 2017 funding. This would result in reduced transit service throughout the TriMet service area.

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WHEREAS, the Oregon Legislature passed HB 2017, the Keep Oregon Moving Act (Or Laws 2017 Chap. 750, Sec. 122o(1)), which dedicates new revenue for mass transit every two years; and

WHEREAS, HB 2017 requires TriMet to establish and appoint members to a HB 2017 Transit Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) to advise and assist the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) to prioritize plans for projects and programs that are funded by the regularly recurring resources generated by HB 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Board seeks input from the Advisory Committee regarding transit service improvements proposed during calendar years 2024-2025, which will become effective in FY2026-2027; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to confirm the re-appointment of certain members of the Advisory Committee and the appointment of replacements for departing members, as shown in the list attached hereto as Exhibit A;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Board re-appoints and appoints the members of the Advisory Committee listed on the attached Exhibit A.

Dated: December 13, 2023



Presiding Officer

Attest:



Recording Secretary

Approved as to Legal Sufficiency:



Legal Department