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Minutes

Thursday, February 12, 2026

10:30 AM

This Council meeting will adjourn into a work session.

**Metro Regional Center, Council chamber;
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Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Peterson called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m.

Present: 5 - Council President Lynn Peterson, Councilor Duncan Hwang, Councilor Mary Nolan, Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal, and Councilor Christine Lewis

Excused: 2 - Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez, and Councilor Ashton Simpson

2. Public Communication

None.

3. Public Hearings

3.1 Public Hearing on Draft Regional Transportation Demand Management Strategy

Presenter(s): Noel Mickelberry, Senior Transportation Planner
Jean Senechal Biggs, Resource Development Manager

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Attachment 1 - Draft Regional TDM Strategy](#)
[Attachment 2 - Summary of Proposed Updates to the RTP](#)
[Attachment 3 - Interim TDM Strategy Engagement Report](#)

Sarah Ford Oades, Clackamas Community College, spoke in favor of the strategy for reducing carbon emissions and traffic crashes. They noted that TDM is both effective in its aims and also cost-effective, benefitting drivers, bikers, transit riders, and pedestrians.

Jeff Pazdalski, Westside Transportation Alliance, supported the strategy and emphasized how the proposed actions encourage people to use transportation options other than single-occupancy vehicles.

Lisha Shretha, Division Midway Alliance, supported the strategy because it fosters partnerships and sustained community programming that create safer streets and more equitable transportation outcome for east Portland.

Sofia Carpenter Rodriguez, University of Oregon student, shared her experience as a safety youth ambassador and transit advocate. She supported the strategy for bringing transportation equity to the community.

Lindsay Huber, Deputy Director at Street Trust, supported the strategy appreciated the improved clarity and consistency in the update. She recommended clearer role definition across jurisdictions in the future.

Councilor Hwang asked whether there is consideration in the strategy for people experiencing houselessness, and he wondered how autonomous vehicles could impact future strategy implementation.

President Peterson added that TriMet has a seat on the Supportive Housing Services Regional Policy and Oversight Committee. Staff noted that the agency partners with homeless service providers and that a financial incentive policy seeks to address choices between taxis and other modes.

Councilor Rosenthal asked who bears the responsibility for evaluating safety for e-bikes. President Peterson noted that the legislature is considered the issue of e-bikes and scooters above certain speeds.

4. Adjourn to work session

President Peterson adjourned the meeting into a work session at 11:03 a.m.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Anne Buzzini". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A" and "B".

Anne Buzzini, Council Legislative Advisor
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