

MPAC Worksheet

Agenda Item Title: Tualatin Valley Highway Transit and Safety Project Locally Preferred Alternative
— Recommendation Requested

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Purpose/Objective

Staff will provide an update on the Tualatin Valley (TV) Highway Transit and Safety Project Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) endorsement process and request a recommendation to the Metro Council.

Outcome

Request that Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) recommend that Metro Council endorse the TV Highway Transit and Safety Project LPA by Resolution No. 25-5504 and direct staff to begin the process to amend the 2023 Metro Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for consideration by JPACT and Metro Council in 2026.

Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) approved the resolution on June 12 and Metro Council will consider the resolution on June 26. The JPACT recommendation and subsequent Metro Council adoption of the LPA will allow Metro to continue working with TriMet and other project partners to:

- Amend the 2023 RTP to reflect the LPA and a high-level funding plan
- Pursue federal funding
- Complete federally required National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation
- Refine design and costing
- Coordinate with local agencies on construction and design for improvements along TV Highway
- Support the implementation and construction of the project
- Open a new FX bus line along TV Highway in 2030

MPAC will be engaged in the RTP amendment process, which is anticipated to begin later this year with the following schedule:

- Fall 2025: Public comment period
- Fall/Winter 2025: Review/discuss amendment and public comment at MTAC, TPAC, MPAC, JPACT, Metro Council
- Spring 2026: Seek adoption of RTP amendment

What has changed since MPAC last considered this issue/item?

Staff presented to MPAC on the TV Highway Transit and Safety Project LPA on April 23, 2025, to answer any question and get feedback prior to asking MPAC to make a recommendation for endorsement to Metro Council. The LPA has not changed since MPAC's discussion in April.

Since that time, Metro staff has presented to MTAC, TPAC, JPACT, and Metro Council. While there were questions around the LPA and next steps, there were no requests to amend/change the LPA.

MTAC will be asked to provide a recommendation to MPAC on Metro Council endorsement of the LPA at their June 18 meeting.

What packet material do you plan to include?

- Resolution No 25-5504: For the Purpose of endorsing the Locally Preferred Alternative for the Tualatin Valley Highway Transit and Safety Project
- Exhibit A to Resolution No 25-5504: Tualatin Valley Highway Transit and Safety Project LPA Language and Map
- Staff Report to Resolution No 25-5504
- Local Actions of Support (1.a through 1.g)