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(Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association)

2024 Annual Report

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Mission Statement

The purpose of the Association shall be to promote, coordinate, implement, and advise on all aspects of planning for the City of Keizer or any other planning or advisory bodies.

Other aspects of our mission are to promote programs, services, and activities aimed to encourage connections among our neighbors and families within our community.

Foster civic engagement and education by providing information about the community and civic issues. We have done that by creating a bi-monthly newsletter, facilitating the discussion on these issues in a number of ways by using the internet tools at our disposal; such as Facebook, next door and email list as a way of communicating information.

Solicit input from members in the community about items that affect them.

Work to protect public spaces.

Address safety concerns and public nuisance concerns of members in our community.

Act as a vehicle to communicate the concerns of members and advocate for the best interest of their best interest to the Keizer City Council and other Boards and Committees; as well as to other government agencies both state and local as needed.

Work to improve the quality of life for those who live, work and play within the Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association.

The Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association stated out as Northeast Keizer neighborhood Association in May of 2023. Which under the Neighborhood Association Ordinance no.93-257 shall make an annual report. In Honor of this we became Greater

Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association in Dec of 2022 by extending our boundaries.
(Map included)

Monthly meeting brief

September 2022 meeting

March 2023 Meeting

In this meeting we started off looking at the online setting to see if we had a good digital foot print. Tammy shared she had a good result from online media with Next-door, Facebook, Twitter, Some have even sent emails for more information she has met some for coffee and gone out of her to get the word out. We have good following on Facebook and next-door seems to be taking off we have been the most looked at sight for 3 months in grown at 89 percent. Twitter does not seem to be growing at this point but Tammy is willing to still post on there just to see what happens. We have a snap chat but haven't used it much.

Working on looking at if we want to do monthly meeting or moving to bi-monthly or in person as we still do an online meeting as we have really good attendance in this setting. The census is we will continue to do a monthly online meeting for those who need this and to be able to keep those families involved.

- Crime Reduction Committee (Tammy and Jacqueline)
- Welcoming Committee (Beverly;And Liz)
- Neighborhood Events Committee / Event planner
- Government Liaisons (Tammy Kunz; Jacqueline Green)
- Business Liaisons
- Youth Involvement Committee (to take on matters that are important to them)

These are items we have looked at to add in to our members as a way of growing the Association as well. These are suggestions from people who have attended our meetings. We have 2 people looking at care facilities to see is they can come and talk for a bit in a community room setting to see what those needs are and depending on how this goes we have 2 ladies from a retirement community that would love to share those thoughts and ideas back and forth.

We are looking to add a by-monthly Newsletter this means we will be increasing the newsletter's to 6 instead of 4 per year. This is something people asked for as well and they would like us to continue adding the information from parks, Planning, budget, Arts, Traffic Safety/Bikeways and Peds and City Council as well as others The Association may attend. Other feedback was more information posted on line with reminders for us families who have kids and are always busy.

April 2023 meeting

Thursday, April 6, 2023; special candidate forum with other Associations. For school board seats, Fire Chief Director, Chemeketa Director seat. Serving zones 3, 2 4, 5 and 6

Agenda:

7:00 - 7:30 p.m. Arrive, snacks, beverages, and time to mingle

7:30 - 8:30 p.m. We'll have the candidates for the different offices up on the dais for 3 sessions (ie: Keizer Fire District Director Candidates, then Chemeketa Community College Directors, then Salem-Keizer School District Director Candidates)

- April online meeting topics where; Cover open positions and job descriptions and build a strong and larger board of directors. Ideas from the community that came up are as follows;
- Helping neighbors get to know each other by hosting social events
- Addressing a particular issue of the neighborhood
- Making physical improvements such as adopting a park or organizing a neighborhood clean-up
- Assembling a neighborhood crime watch • Collaborating to share opinions with public officials
- In person meeting with Jacqueline, Tammy and Mrs. Reed talked about moving to the online format and hosting meetings on line as we have such good results. Maybe looking at using Zoom through the city to help with keeping the recording for those whom may want to watch later as another way of staying involved.

These have now been added to our brochure to ensure we are doing just that. Jacqueline and Tammy are involved in our community and attend most meetings. Tammy part of the most meeting held at the Civic Center in Keizer. Plus, Tammy is part of the CDE committee (Community Engagement Committee) and it taking some DEI trainings online to be sure no one is left behind and every voice can be heard. Tammy Also attends the SKATS meeting online and watches them on YouTube if Tammy is not able to be there. Now, Tammy and Jacqueline are part of the Steering Committee meeting for MTSAP. This is to help create a safety plan for the community and works with the SKATS. For more information on this the website is included; mwvcog@mwvcog.org . Tammy Kunz also watches the Salem Commissioner meeting for Marion County every week and the school board meetings. As well as many other just to stay informed and bring us information we need to know.

May 2023

In may we developed a goal for the next 3 years. We also looked at the roles in the bylaws to be sure changes did not need to be made. Tammy was voted back in As president of the GNEKNA, Shawn C Joined the Board, We added 2 back up people to take notes at meetings as Antonio works 2 jobs and never knows if he is available. May 3rd meeting and notes were done By Jacqueline Green our VP as Covid struck again.

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association has set goals for the next 3 years. They are as follows: We have our 2 to 4 year plan in process for development; GOALS

1. Traffic control issues
2. Neighborhood mediation
3. Property improvement for parks and community gathering
4. Creating community dinners every other month (pot lucks at the park)
5. Community Health Fair
6. Community Cafe's
7. Wednesday parties at the park (2 summer)(day may change)
8. Designing some areas that meet the new climate friendly equitable communities for gather places and this will include food truck and other community events.

Committees to form;

- Beautification Committee (working with planning committee to add a couple of community garden areas through the Northeast Keizer Neighborhood boundaries' and those we may gain later.
- Crime Reduction Committee
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Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association Annual budget; 2022 -2023

\$800.00

Was our Previous budget Most out of pocket has not been recovered. The board decided not to continue losing money, so we change things around some.

We started working on updating our information and working on the newsletter. We have a newsletter for May and June as our community wanted us to do this 6 times a year instead of 4.

This is more costly but one of our families works for a print company and is able to do so many copies for free (75) per month.

Tammy and Jacqueline work with other places to donate printed material to help save cost. Tammy has used the Kids to help with signs and we change those every other month. As weather and cardboard don't mix well. But the kids really enjoy playing their role in helping. Tammy and Jacqueline have done amazing at finding way to keep our school ager involved and it has been a really big help. (AJ)

June 2023

Last meeting for the summer this month June 7th meeting was held at the park this month as we did a cook out and had our meeting while our kids played. This was a great change from being stuck inside and not being able to really enjoy our time together as we have school and work. It was nice to just let the kids play, eat hotdogs and hamburger that Tammy and Jacqueline provided, While other brought water and juice for the kids.

We gathered out thoughts and worked on plan for when school starts up. Tammy and Jacqueline agreed to host google meeting if we needed it, which was nice and helped show that they are dedicated to us as a community.

Topics where;
Keizer Station Master Plan D

This matter is before the Council for public hearing to consider an amendment to the Area D Master Plan. The property in question is Keizer Station Area D (Commerce Center) and is located at the Chemawa/Interstate 5 interchange. This amendment will modify the previously approved plan by changing the location and number of buildings and uses, overall parking lot layout, and landscaping features in the area south of Ulali Drive. The original approval provided for a total of eight buildings with a gross leasable area of 87,975 square feet to be developed with a mix of retail, office, and flex-industrial uses. The proposed amendment will reduce the gross leasable area to 72,535 square feet and will include six buildings and a drive through coffee kiosk. Most of the proposed uses will involve eating and drinking uses, along with some retail, a car wash, tire sales, and hotel tenant. No changes are proposed to the northern side of Ulali Drive.

- We looked at the impact it may have since we have Verda Crossing going in as well.
- Tammy shared it just adds more resources to our community for growth with work, depending on what goes in.
- Opportunity for more families to join us and work on growing the Association these Ladies work so hard. (AL)

Tammy and Jacqueline also have Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council which we are part of since our Kids are going to Kennedy Elementary School. Amazing that you have such people who are so willing to serve a community and really they give you all of them. I have watched each meeting I can live and those recording I can only hear are great. I think all meeting should be live and this may help with Engagement as Tammy is always asking how we can engage with you better, She is a dream and has a heart for us. Thank you for letting her serves.

Gloria

July 2023

We met at the park in July for prep to beginning meeting and came up with a project list Tammy and Jacqueline was very open to a day at the park. We enjoyed the water park and had a picnic and touched base on what we can do to get more people involved. We did not keep minutes but I took notes to help them keep track.

- ✓ We talked to the board as most were able to make throughout the day and evening, we will start hosting some online meeting with Zoom and Google, plus use what's app to for another way to communicate and see if this helps.
- ✓ We agreed to do an off the books gathering every other month just to touch base and talk about issues, concerns and whatever we need to. Plus, check in and see how the online meetings are going. (The board wants to be sure it is making a difference)
- ✓ Tammy and Jacqueline did a raffle for 4 gift baskets and then 4 gift cards all out of pocket, I am not supposed to share. What great leadership!
- ✓ Lastly we updated the project ideas for the upcoming year or so.
- ✓ Prep for Keizer Fest

➤ **Project Ideas**

- The following is a list of possible short- and long-term projects:
- Neighborhood clean-up and distribution of public education on City property codes and solid waste collection do's and don'ts
- Neighborhood entrance signs
- Security lighting
- To add little lending libraries 6 to 10 in the next few years.
- Food barrel placement to help the Keizer food Bank.(City Hall/ Community Center; Keizer Heritage Center; looking at banks and other places)
- Paint / fix up projects (Tagging Support)
- Yard of the month award

- Community beautification – flower planting, tree planting (community garden)
- Block party or festival (1 to 2 per year)
- Neighborhood newsletter, web site, directory, telephone tree (in process)
- Speakers on topics of interest to the neighborhood (working on more)
- Representatives to attend City Council, school board, planning commission meetings, etc.
- Philanthropic projects, such as “adopting” a family who needs help with Christmas dinner, etc.
- Back to school party and school supply drive (blast for end of summer or festival)
- Neighborhood cook-out, picnic, potluck
- National night-out celebration (theme related) back to school safety, education on fire danger;
- Holiday celebration

These are the ideas we all came up with!

Budget Report;

ACTUAL	EST.	PURPOSE	PAID?	DATE
VENDORS				
\$	\$			
\$	\$			
\$	\$			
\$	\$			

GRAPHIC DESIGN				
\$	\$			
\$	\$			
\$	\$			
\$	\$			

MARKETING				
\$62.90	\$	270 copies Flyers/ Brochures/ Newsletters	Yes	11-Oct
\$191.10	\$	Website and storage of docx		14-Mar
	\$			
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MISCELLANEOUS				
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\$174.98	\$	ink, office and printing	Yes	15-Nov
\$8.16	\$	Printing of planning, information	yes	18-Mar
\$	\$			
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PRINTOUTS & COPIES BY CITY STAFF - Charged to NA Budget Accounts				
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\$1.55		5 copies 7/20/23	yes	7/20/2023
\$46.34		198 Copies NTMP	Yes	8/1/2023
\$105.45	\$	455 copies	Yes	31-Aug
\$9.77	\$	39 copies	Yes	31-Aug
\$14.37		59 copies	Yes	9/6/2023
\$19.20		80 copies 9/27/23	Yes	9/27/2023
\$134.32	\$	Printng brochures and newsletters	Yes	20-Oct
\$21.50	\$	90 copies	Yes	7-Nov
\$3.10		10 copies	yes	11/8/2023
\$	\$		Yes	

\$832.64
Actual

Current FY Budget: \$1,200 \$1,200

Remaining FY Budget on PAID Expenses: \$367.36

WE MEET ON THE 1ST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH @ 6:30 PM AT THE KEIZER CIVIC CENTER. FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT US AT; 503-991-1671

We currently have about 325 on our email list and 100 contacts for Facebook and Next-Door is about 125 to 140. These people receive emails and newsletters and minutes from our meetings and anything else that may arise we send out. We have done flyers for those in the community close to

1400 have been handed out or left with homes and families as well as businesses. We still have about the 3000 more homes and businesses to reach out to and gather more support. With the upcoming money we intend on reaching out to community and continuing to provide the same services we do now only more as we grow. These are current numbers from the last Annual reports of 2023.

For this year we have been able to add support which has been a blessing; 2023 to 2024 Annual report

Aug 2023 was moved to Sept 5th 2023

The first meeting was moved to September 5th our new date of the 1st Tuesday to help accommodate the families going to church who could not attend on Wednesday.

- ✓ Meeting online from 1 to 2 pm.(21 attended) We talked about safer routes to school and ways to slow traffic. Tammy and Jacque shared information about maybe starting a flagging program to help provide crossing guards at more points to increase safety. Tammy shared that the traffic/ Bikeways/ Peds is looking into this and will keep us updated.
- ✓ People asked about ways to slow traffic; Tammy asked if street art might help? We have agreed to look at this and see are we can bring this to Keizer by means of Art Association and NA working together. In progress for research. As we will be adding families with Verda Crossings and lack of sidewalks is a problem.

In person meeting ; topics

- Communication support within the community
- Cross walks with Kennedy Elementary and placement of flashing beacon
- Ways to cut back speeding (Claggett, within small blocks in the community)
- Cover Safe route to school

Collaboration with KNFC

Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council Minutes from Sept 28th 2023

Eduardo shares we have been in existence for 14 months now and shares some of the things we have been able to accomplish; 2 back to school events, 2 community café's within the school for the topics of Trauma informed and Strategies and Power over our Cultural Habits both having more than one day, One in Spanish and one in English. Supporting the after school Summit program, for the school year 2021 to 22 and then for 23 to 24 school years for Kennedy Elementary school.

Going back to Oct; we support Parent club and not have to do the planning and leg work
November; Thanksgiving baskets for families and or Staff (November \$1,500 I'm envisioning like a book chocolate candy cane something for every student; Eliza)

December events to be held in January as we did last year to allow more time and planning (\$2500.00 gift; \$1500 purchases from end of Dec 23; adding \$1000.00 for January budget) the total of \$5000.00.

Update; from the summer program; Eliza

Stem/Art projects; Water colors painting, Kindness rocks, Friendship bracelets just to name a couple. Then with the reading program 10 to 20 students per week were able to access books and resources. Service project; Library Beatification project, Wallpaper shelves, Bilingual Painting , Cool down Zone and end of summer treats. We awarded \$300.00 for this and success was achieved!

Tammy and Jacqueline Partner with KNFC as they are both part of this group as well, but got 17 people in the community to come to the schools and help serve food, games were played, Frames done and much more. Way to go ladies!
(AJ)

October 2023

Oct we met twice the 1st meeting was our board meeting and we posted this on our websites, and sent out emails.

10/19/23

The board covered a number of items we started with the lack of interest in in person meetings since we have around 20 to 35 in online meeting. This seems to fit the families and I am sure the cold weather plays a role in this as well. We decided to host meeting online and us google meets, Judy helped to set that up she is out newest member. Judy has 5 kiddos so making time is very hard, she asked if we could do a meeting in the afternoons and Tammy and Jacqueline said they are willing.

So while Tammy had her infusion at Salem Hospital we hosted a meeting from 12:30 to 1:30 to allow families time to pick up kids from school. We heard from 5 people concerns on traffic as renting is opening up at Verda crossing. Bill asked if we could get a crossing guard program together to help with the safety of our kids to and from school. We had 4 people say they would help with this.

Next item was ways to outreach or rebrand the Association to gain more connections with the community. Tammy and Jacqueline shared rebranding may take away from what we have built and to look at doing a different outreach. Meg said flyers add more color, and maybe use food to help bring families in. Potluck every other month, to help gain more support. Tammy is not sure of the paperwork we would have to do with the community center for this. We spent some time going over ideas and ways to meet but also to help meet families were they are. Plus, reminder the holidays are coming, and people get really busy.

We all agreed to use the online forum for right now and build this way as it seems to meet the needs of our community.

2nd meeting Oct 25th 11 am to 11:30 am

We did a check in to see how the online setting worked surprised we had 25 people so it was a huge success and we will do the same for Nov and Dec to see what happen for the busy months. We had 15 attend this meeting and they are good with the online setting and it helps them be involved but not take time from families at night. They also like the different times so kids are still at school and they can still be part of and meet the needs for the families. This meeting was only 30 minutes just to check in and see what people had to say and find out if this was better or worse.

Everyone was happy to do the online setting, the only feedback was format and finding one that we could use all the time and stick to that. Google meets was one everyone like and Tammy asked if we could use this for the next couple of meeting and then see what we think.

Jacqueline asked if we could take notes of things we would like to see happen and topics to cover, we all agreed the new Verda crossing was high on the list and lack of sidewalks for our kids.

We also shared our concern that city council may not like the online setting and have to go to in person meeting and what that would look like as most of us could not come out in the evening do to sports, band, and other school activities. This setting allows us to be part of what is going on and allow Tammy and Jacqueline to share what happen in the meetings at City Hall. Tammy understood the concerns and shared we can use this format as long as we take minutes and inform the community. But she will look at this more.

Meeting adjourned at 1130am (AJ) Alice J

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association; Meeting Agenda

Date: November 7th, 2023 Time: 600 pm Location: Keizer Civic Center

Topic 1: Introductions

1. Adding to the board of directors

Topic 2: Looking for folks to be involved and support of the community

2. Cover what we want this to look like to meet the needs in the community.

Community Café (Cafés should always start with a purpose in mind and be designed to meet that aim and the conversation is always triggered by a powerful question!)

- What do you want to learn more about? What are some of the interest you have?
- Concerns for home and families that we can put together community conversations

Topics we have been asked to cover so far;

Cell phone care with teens and Trauma support for Kids who are bullied

Notes and Action Items:

- Cross walks with Kennedy Elementary and placement of flashing beacon (looking at the space between May and Dixon)
- Ways to cut back speeding (Claggett, within small blocks in the community)

Reminder! We do not meet in December See you January 2nd at 6 pm

Tammy also did an interview for Keizer Times;

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Hello,

How / why did I get involved in the Neighborhood Association?

I talked to Carol and asked questions, and Rhonda from West Keizer Neighborhood Association, as well as Colleen/ Bob from Southeast Keizer Neighborhood Association and they shared it a great way to have support for the neighborhood. We have some issues to deal with and I decided to take this on.

The Neighborhood Association primary contact is a volunteer that a recognized Neighborhood Association selects to serve as their primary contact with the City of Keizer. The Neighborhood Association contact serves as the primary communicator between the recognized neighborhood association and the City. Contact information for this individual is available to the public on the City's website and upon request. All City Staff will be notified of the name and contact information for the Neighborhood Association. City Staff will be able to assist the contact to interpret official notices and policies.

Do I consider myself an activist? No, I just advocate for what we need in the community and what I hear from my community. The City will seek to notify the Neighborhood Association contact on matters of neighborhood interest. For example, the Neighborhood Association contact will be notified when: Significant neighborhood projects are being discussed or proposed such as street reconstruction, park development or redevelopment or land use planning.

- A mailing goes out to residents in the neighborhood related to a City matter or public hearing.

The Mayors Proclamation for October; I am part of the Community Diversity Engagement Committee and I asked to do this for the Committee. It's a way for us to share this information within the community and shine a light on things people don't know or understand. I love serving the community this way, as I am not used to being front and center but to help bring awareness to a cause like this warms my heart.

What are 3 issues Greater Northeast Keizer faces? The top 3

1. Northview Terrace is in need of a bathroom for our children to use, while we play at this park, they would like one that is handicap accessible.
2. Sidewalks are vital to achieve safety for our children getting to and from school. I am going to be working with Safe route to schools as well on how we can achieve this. Kennedy Elementary is in need of sidewalks to allow our kids a safe route to school.

3. Verda Lane Project; information comes from attending meetings may be subject to change as the project moves forward. The side walk on the Verda crossing side is almost complete. Cherrits was there on September 1st assessing the bus stops to see what changes need to be made on their side.

Question that have come about; Verda Lane: Dearborn Avenue to Salem Parkway Design Phase; Verda Lane is a route used by both Elementary and Middle/ High school students. We will have the following.

- Construct bicycle lanes.
- Build sidewalks.
- Realign intersections.
- Upgrade drainage- The drainage is being addressed by the road side they added good size drainage and are adding rock and dirt to that area to help hit off the flooding for raining season.

On the scale of 1 to 10 city of Keizer does working with the Neighborhood Association?

For the most part the Council / And Keizer are supportive of the Associations and we are currently working on updating Ordinance so that we can be more effective with the work we do in the community. I would rate it at a 9 as we could use more support from all our Keizer folks in Charge.

What is my background? And are you a member of other organizations?

I am a compassionate person, one who cares about the wellbeing of others. I know how to help people find hope or inspiration to overcome obstacles because I had to do it to get this far. I am capable of providing encouragement to those who needs extra help in finding their own inspiration to reach their own goals.

I am confident in my abilities to perform the duties of this position partly because I have been through the mill and acquired my GED, as well as two Associates degrees in Elementary Education and Business Administration. I graduated with Honors in my business degree and am having a Bachelor in Business Administration with a minor in Project Management. I did this while going to school online, even being homeless I was able to do degree program online work and not fall behind. This shows my determination to complete what I start. I love serving the community in any way I am able to. I have attended all the meetings for a while now and have seen how things work. I believe I can make a difference in our community and the committees I serve on. I have been attending other inter-governmental meeting as well as become part of the community in a meaningful way. I take pride in how I interact with my families and those around our City, and State. I have worked very hard to learn from my leader and have become more active with in the community on multiple levels.. I have been worked hard to create Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association as well as the Neighborhood watch program with our Police department and for Northeast

Keizer as well as all of Keizer. This is for the Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council has been up and running smooth for 18 month, which serves the same School as our Association. I work closely with you and the parents of this community to make this a safer place for our children to grow up in.

The basic ingredients are people who are willing to work together to create change. Planning and structure people who are will to be a leader or hold a leadership position. Neighborhoods are the heart of a city. For many people, the neighborhood they live in is as important as the house they live in. Most neighborhoods have clearly identifiable characteristics: housing types, appearance, neighborliness, and safety. These characteristics affect the value of the houses in the area as well as the desirability of living in the neighborhood. There are both emotional and economic benefits to having friendly, safe, and attractive neighborhoods.

Some of the places I serve are our Community Diversity Engagement Committee; I serve on Community Diversity Engagement Committee 1st Thursday, Community Business & Education Leaders (CBEL) 2 a month, Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association 1st Tuesday of the month, Keizer United Board, Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council, MTSAP Steering Committee, Keizer Neighborhood Watch meetings and Oregon Department of Emergency Management (CERT).

I attend in person / or online (Zoom) City Council Monday's, Parks meeting, Traffic Safety/ Bikeways / Pedestrians, Planning Committee, Greater Gubser neighborhood Association, West Keizer Neighborhood Association, Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS) Policy Committee (PC) , Mid-Willamette Valley Area Commission on Transportation (MWACT) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Plus, I try to attend Volunteer Coordinator Committee meetings as much as possible.

This may seem like a lot and it is but it is really important for me to share the information I receive from these meetings with my community, and I use this information for my monthly reports with the Community Diversity Engagement Committee. I use this information with my new letters and to information our community with the online forums as well.

No, I am not a native Jim Jones and I moved here to take care of his mother and we were blessed with an extra 6 years before we lost her fight to cancer. We have Kids who live all

over the states from Florida to Utah, and several grandkids. We have been together for 22 years this year.

What is the number one thing Keizer needs to make Keizer a better place to live?

Better sidewalks, more connections with people in the community and build more ways to engage within the community. Safer ways to cross streets, better lighting for parks and more ADA parks for those families who need them are some of what can we do to make Keizer safer and better.

Who should be mayor after Cathy Clark? No Clue

Thank you, for you time

Tammy Kunz

I am including her responses as she emailed them in to the paper. (AJ) Hope this is okay to include! Public record with the paper, I just want to share all your hard work.

Minutes; 4 attended in person

Tammy opened the meeting, shared some of the City Council finding and shared CDEC information on ways to engage. Jacqueline shares some of the traffic/bikeway/ Peds information and covered information on joining the board. Tammy and Jacqueline covered was we can impact the flow of traffic and looking into a grant for street Art! Since so few came today people shared more on concerns and asked if we could use the online forum as one mom was missing a school event to be here for support. Bev shared she would love to be part of this process but not at the expense of her family.

Tammy and Jacqueline asked for time to speak with the board and make sure this was an okay way to meet. Dan attended a previous meeting and shared this should be fine but will look into this more. Tammy adjourned the meeting early so families could be with the kids.

Meeting adjourned at 6; 30pm

January 2nd meeting

Cover open positions by looking at the by-laws and job descriptions and talked about Concern; Better connections to Cherriots bus system with people who have disabilities, better ADA access for medical appointments as each stop is not ADA and working with folks makes it harder for caregivers I have shared this before but on Dearborn and Dearborn and Verda needs a better way for the older folks to exit the bus. Is there a way we can add an ADA sidewalk to this corner to make it easier for folks to get on and off the bus?

Keizer last year and we have started planning for this year, was an amazing experience and we spoke with a total of 1,682 people during this event. We spent \$200 in supplies with printing. \$320.00 for the tent and space with Keizer fest, which we started at \$800.00- \$320.00 for the space and tent in Keizer-fest event brings total to \$480.00 and take away printing and supplies. \$480.00 - \$200.00 for printing and supplies Brings our total to \$280.00 is our balance. The board has challenge us to meet and exceed our numbers from last year.

Neighborhood Improvement Survey

Dear Neighbor,

My name is Tammy Kunz. I live at 2001 Kennedy Cir NE Keizer 97303. Several residents of our neighborhood are interested in forming a Neighborhood Watch Program to try to make some improvements in our neighborhood, and we would like to get your ideas on what you thing should be changed or improved in our neighborhood. Would you please take a minute to fill out the Survey at the bottom you could just drop it off at my house if you have time or place it in the mail!

Thanks for your help

Check the following problems you think should be corrected in our neighborhood:

54	Gang Activities	22	Drugs	10	Trash Dumping
97	Graffiti	23	Burglaries	107	Traffic Problems
15	High Weeds	22	Illegal parking	19	Junk Vehicles
54	Fencing Repair	__Other (please list)(423 answers)			

We had a total of 325 responses

Encuesta de mejora del vecindario

Estimado vecino,

Mi nombre es Tammy Kunz. Vivo en 2001 Kennedy Cir NE Keizer 97303. Varios residentes de nuestro vecindario están interesados en formar un Programa de Vigilancia Vecinal para tratar de hacer algunas mejoras en nuestro vecindario, y nos gustaría recibir sus ideas sobre lo que deberían cambiar o mejorar. en nuestro barrio. ¿Podría tomarse un minuto para completar la Encuesta en la parte inferior, puede dejarla en mi casa si tiene tiempo o enviarla por correo?

Gracias por tu ayuda

Marque los siguientes problemas que cree que se deben corregir en nuestro barrio:

Actividades de pandillas Drogas Botadero de basura Graffiti Robos Problemas de tráfico

Hierba alta Estacionamiento ilegal Vehículos chatarra Reparación de cercas

Otro (por favor enumere)

We had a total of 75 people reply in Spanish their answers are included above.

This was completed in June 2023; July 2023 ; Then we did this in Dec of 2023 and Jan 2024 we wanted to get a complete picture of what families need and think so we can serve them better. (TK)

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association

Meeting Agenda Date: Feb 6th 2024 Time: 600 pm Location: Keizer Civic Center

Topic 1: Introductions

- Neighborhood Association question and answers for those who are new.

Topic 2: Looking for folks to be involved and support of the community

1. Adding to the board of directors
2. Cover what we want this to look like to meet the needs in the community.

Community Café (Cafés should always start with a purpose in mind and be designed to meet that aim and the conversation is always triggered by a powerful question!)

- What do you want to learn more about?
- What are some of the interest you have?
- Concerns for home and families that we can put together community conversations

Topics we have been asked to cover so far;

- ✓ Cell phone care with teens
- ✓ Trauma support for Kids who are bullied

Topic 3: Cover some of the meeting and what is covered

1. City Council and meeting within our community
2. Committee meetings
3. Committees We would like to form to get our communities back on track for example

People needed for some of the following;

- Crime Reduction Committee (looking for block captains)
- Welcoming Committee
- Neighborhood Events Committee / Event planner
- Government Liaisons (Tammy Kunz; Jacqueline Green)
- Business Liaisons (Beth)
- Senior Liaison (Beverly)
- Youth Involvement Committee (to take on matters that are important to them)

Notes and Action Items:

- Cross walks with Kennedy Elementary and placement of flashing beacon (looking at the space between May and Dixon)
- Ways to cut back speeding (Claggett, within small blocks in the community)

Meeting on the 5th online forum; from 3pm to 4pm

We had 23 people attend 6 new families to be involved in this meeting. We did a small Q/A in the beginning after introductions.

Tammy led this topic;

A neighborhood association is a group of homeowner, renters, apartment dweller and churches, businesses, Schools and representatives who want to improve their neighborhood. I helped to put this neighborhood association together in order to help improve the condition of my community and those communities around me. We are just a group of people who want to create change in our communities and make it safer for our children and grandchildren and for ourselves.

The basic ingredients are people who are willing to work together to create change. Planning and structure people who are will to be a leader or hold a leadership position. Neighborhoods are the heart of a city. For many people, the neighborhood they live in is as important as the house they live in. Most neighborhoods have clearly identifiable characteristics: housing types, appearance, neighborliness, and safety. These characteristics affect the value of the houses in the area as well as the desirability of living in the neighborhood. There are both emotional and economic benefits to having friendly, safe, and attractive neighborhoods.

Jacqueline led another Q/A for Neighborhood Watch seems like tagging in some of our areas on fences is making a comeback.

The prevention of crime – particularly crime involving residential neighborhoods – is a responsibility that must be shared equally by law enforcement and private citizens. The fact

is, the impact on crime prevention by law enforcement alone is minimal when compared with the power of private citizens working with law enforcement and with each other.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH is based on this concept of cooperation, and nationwide statistics prove that it works. When citizens take positive steps to secure their own property and neighbors learn how to report suspicious activity around their homes, burglary and related offenses decrease dramatically.

People seemed to want to know more. Jacqueline Asked if in person meeting would work but a few said they want to stick with the online setting as they can attend during lunch for work, take care of the family needs and beware of the community needs and that they would be involved in done online as it fits with the growing family needs.

Tammy Led this conversation with the families; Adding to the board of directors She has 4 people who would join the board of the online forum stays in place, one mom(Beth says she care for 5 kids and 1 whom has special needs) this is the only way for right now sees how she can add support. One of the other dads is looking to be involved but needs to talk to his wife to see what that would look like, Don expressed interest in the neighborhood watch side to ensure his family and neighbors are safe. Don Said he would also like to build take a book leave book boxes 6 per year, and some for our parks so we can share books at the parks and our neighborhood Association information by making boxes for this information. Don is going to see if his wife would like to join the board.

This was really good conversation with the community and the online setting really seems to fit. I know for me Ashley it works great, I work 2 jobs and have 3 kiddos and they keep me busy, but attending this meeting has become important and I enjoy filling in for taking minutes. But am grateful there are 2 of to do this so if I am unable to for sporting event or another reason Becky is able to do this as well. So from Becky and I thank Tammy and Jacqueline for going over and above what most people would do.

Community Cafés are in works with Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council as we both serve the same school. We do have a trauma informed and having difficult conversions one in English and one is Spanish Thursday 15th to be held at Kennedy Elementary.

Tuesday's Feb 6th meeting at Keizer City Halls 4 in attendance and it was question and answers with the same information provided.

Laura share with Able to bring a friend to the next meeting that we need the support and Tammy and Jacqueline share the need for more involvement and that Jacqueline is working on updating a resource list for our community.

Both meetings had new people and I personally think this is due to Tammy and Jacqueline being able to do the outreach and send emails with the newsletter we now have 350 people on this list, and Facebook we have added 50 new followers in the last month if I did this right to bring us to 300 in total, Next-door we have about 250 followers and I am still learning how to find this information. So, Sorry if this is a bit off.

Thanks Tammy Kunz and Jacqueline Green for all you do to add to our safety and community.

Ashley B
Secretary (part-time)

Inclosing we have added Alice J as Secretary; we want to welcome her to our team she has been an asset. Beverly is a back up, and on our Board information to follow soon. Beth T who is looking at more involvement but attends our online meeting and also helps to set this up. Thanks so much for all the hard work put in. Our average online meeting are 15 to 34 people and they go very well. We have added 5 new block captains to our neighborhood watch group that we have started. We have 1 on Claggett Creek NE, 1 on Bandon, 1 on Noren near the school, 1 on Hasbrook, 1 on Keizer rd. These have been added this past 6 months, we also have others in the community 1 for ridge rd ne, 1 on James and Tammy has the complete list for more information.

We have hosted parties on our block for the special events that go on and take part National night out as well as some holidays. In many ways this group has allowed us to feel safer and join in other community events that adds to our community spirit. We would like to say thanks for allowing these ladies and gents to serve our community.

BEV/ AJ

PS. If we need a different format please don't hold that against our Wonderful leadership this is our first time putting this together. I will have Tammy and Jacqueline add the newsletters to this packet of information and it is an honor to serve.

BEV



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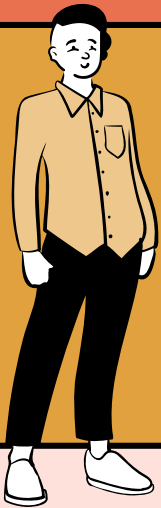
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Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Meeting



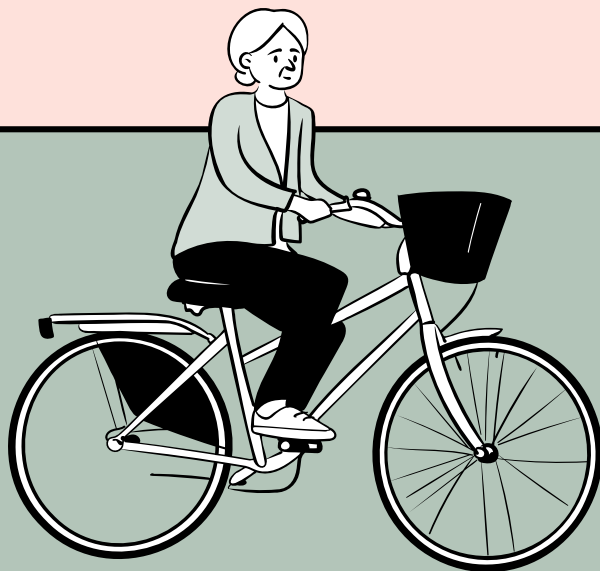
We need you are you looking to learn what is going on or get to know your neighbors!

We'll discuss the election of officers and updates on what it is going on in our community

Reach out to Tammy Kunz nekna2022@gmail.com

or

503-991-1671 with any questions.



**Meeting the 1st
Tuesday of each
month from 6;30 to
7;30 @ 930 Chemewa
rd. NE / Keizer City
Hall/ Community
Center/ Event center**



Take a book leave a book and Food cabinet for our community

Carlson Skate Park/Chalmers Jones; 930 Chemawa Rd NE Keizer, OR 97303



Keizer Little League Park
5245 Ridge Drive NE
Keizer, OR 97307



5205 Ridge Drive NE
Keizer, OR 97303

Who We Are

The purpose of neighborhood associations is to advocate for and improve the quality of life for those who live, work, and play within the Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association. Your GNEKNA neighborhood influence decisions made by Keizer City Council with local government improve and educate while listening to the residents and Stakeholders about issues that affect our neighborhood amenities, and organize activities.

More parks of GNEKNA

Northridge Park



North of Chemawa along Claggett Creek
Keizer, OR 97307



4600 Block 18th Avenue NE
Keizer, OR 97307



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What we stand for;

Protect and promote

Protect public spaces

Promote involvement in civic education

Address public safety concerns

Community involvement

The City is seeking to organize a neighborhood group for resident input

It is also a place to meet friends, exchange information, create projects and priorities, propose solutions, and have fun.

We have created a Neighborhood Watch Program to help empower our safety in the GNNEKNA as we all live in this area and part of our responsibility is to keep it safe and work with one another to ensure the safety of ourselves and our neighbors.

Youth Councilor in Keizer committees and boards

Will be selected during the 10th or 11th Grade year and serve during the 11th or 12th Grade year. For non-traditional students, selection will be during a school year in which he/she turns 16 or 17 for service during the school year in which he/she turns 17 or 18.

Come and Join us;

We meet on the 1st

Tuesday of each month @ 6:30 pm at the Keizer Civic Center.

For more information please contact us at; 503-991-1671

nekna2022@gmail.com

Access Services;

Access to services/ resources in the community

City Council updates/ Parks

Traffic Safety/ Bikeways / Pedestrian updates

Part of our living motto

Your voice matters and when you cannot speak We do this for you and with you, as you are not alone

The Neighborhood Association contact serves as the primary communicator between the recognized neighborhood association and the City. We know you could go on for hours about how great your business is. (And we don't blame you—you're amazing!) Just remember that this is marketing—if you want to grab their attention, keep it brief, friendly, and readable.

Events; We will try to find answers for whatever you may Community need, and to give you the information we find. The monthly newsletters will contain information as well.

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association contact is made when

- Significant neighborhood Project are being discussed, such as Building House units, Road changes, new redevelopment opportunities such as planning and land use
- The walkable and mix used areas that are coming our way.



tomar un libro dejar un libro

Parque de patinaje
Carlson/Chalmers Jones; 930
Chemawa Rd NE Keizer, OR 97303



Parque de la liga pequeña de Keiser
5245 Ridge Drive NE Keizer, Oregón
97307



And Community Garden
5205 Ridge Drive NE
Keizer, OR 97303

Quienes somos

El propósito de las asociaciones de vecinos es defender y mejorar la calidad de vida de quienes viven, trabajan y juegan dentro de la Asociación de Vecinos del Gran Noreste de Keizer. Su vecindario GNEKNA influye en las decisiones tomadas por el Ayuntamiento de Keizer con el gobierno local, mejora y educa mientras escucha a los residentes y las partes interesadas sobre los problemas que afectan las comodidades de nuestro vecindario y organiza actividades.

Más parques de GNEKNA!

Parque Northridge



Al norte de Chemawa a lo largo de
Claggett Creek Keizer OR 97307



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Lo que representamos;

Proteger y promover Proteger los espacios públicos Promover la participación en la educación cívica. Abordar las preocupaciones de seguridad pública Participación de la comunidad La Ciudad busca organizar un grupo vecinal para recibir comentarios de los residentes.

También es un lugar para encontrar amigos, intercambiar información, crear proyectos y prioridades, proponer soluciones y divertirse. Hemos creado un Programa de Vigilancia Vecinal para ayudar a potenciar nuestra seguridad en GNNEKNA, ya que todos vivimos en esta área y parte de nuestra responsabilidad es mantenerla segura y trabajar juntos para garantizar la seguridad de nosotros mismos y de nuestros vecinos.

Consejero de Juventud en comités y juntas de Keizer Será seleccionado durante

el año de 10.º u 11.º grado y prestará servicio durante el año de 11.º o 12.º grado. Para estudiantes no tradicionales, la selección será durante un año escolar en el que cumpla 16 o 17 años para prestar servicio durante el año escolar en el que cumpla 17 o 18 años .

Ven y únete a nosotros;

Nos reunimos el primer martes de cada mes a las 6:00 p. m. en el Centro Cívico de Keizer. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con nosotros al; 503-991-1671 or nekna2022@gmail.com

Servicios de Acceso;

Acceso a servicios/recursos en la comunidad. Actualizaciones del Ayuntamiento/Parques Actualizaciones sobre seguridad vial, carriles bici y peatones

Parte de nuestro lema viviente
Tu voz importa y cuando no puedes hablar lo hacemos por ti y contigo, porque no estás solo

El contacto de la Asociación de Vecinos sirve como el principal comunicador

entre la asociación de vecinos reconocida y la Ciudad. Sabemos que podría hablar durante horas sobre lo fantástico que es su negocio.

(Y no te culpamos, ¡eres increíble!) Solo recuerda que esto es marketing: si quieres captar su atención, hazlo breve, amigable y legible.

Eventos; Intentaremos encontrar respuestas a cualquier necesidad que la Comunidad pueda necesitar y brindarle la información que encontremos. Los boletines mensuales también contendrán información.

El contacto con la Asociación de Vecinos del Gran Noreste de Keizer se realiza cuando

- Se están discutiendo importantes proyectos vecinales, como la construcción de unidades de viviendas, cambios en las carreteras y nuevas oportunidades de reurbanización, como la planificación y el uso del suelo.
- Las áreas transitables y de uso mixto que se nos presentan.

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association Goals and Project Evaluations

Project	Project Type	Date added	Dated covered / discussed	Status	Accomplish and Weight	Accomplish Comments	Comments
Verda and Chemawa Road NE	Flashing crossing beacon	6/7/2023		Monitor		Ongoing concern for the Community/ Ungoing Speed Study	Brought by the Mayor at City Council 02/15/24
Lockahaven NE Creekside bus stop	Bike stripping east bound at Creekside side	6/16/2023		Monitor	Strong need for bike safety along the side of the road	City of Keizer is looking into the bike stripping process	Bill Lawyer is working with Mayor Clark on how to be most effective
Keizer Road NE/ Verda to Ridge Near Keizer Little League	Heavy traffic/ Pedestrian and bike usage, major point of traffic	11/16/2023		Monitor	Green stripping needed for bikeway safety	Up for conversation with the community in Association meetings/ as sport is arrival	Will look at this in March of 24 Shared Boundary with GGNA on the other side of the road
Library sidewalk at Rickman	Flashing beacon placed July of 23			Speed Study	Project Completed	Construction date July 23 RRFB- Rectannual flashing beacon	Data showed not a speed concern
Claggett Creek NE / 10th/ 10th Chemawa	Speeding concern			Speed Study	Completed project	Speed study showed 85th % EB 26MPH, WB20. 53 MPH	
Dearborn near Claggett Creek Park	Crosswalk needs	We have covered this for the last 6 meeting GNEKNA Oct 2023		No Action		Assesment by Public works(PW)in Oct	Not a difine crosswalk area for placement
Hidden Creek/	Painting project	Completed		Monitor No		Paint the curbs Yellow	

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association Goals and Project Evaluations

Brook Hollow				other action needed			
Verda at Dearborn Bus stop ADA concerns		Tammy needs to talk to Cheerlots				This is something that needs to be added to the Cheerlots list of actions	Still in the cue for a project
Chemawa NE@ Lucinda	West curve before approaching Lucinda				1 Solar Speed Display	This falls under public work	Nothing in the budget looking at 2024

We are currently updating this with all the proper dates and information.

As we share this please let us know how we can serve you better.

Goals	Accomplishment	Priority level	Comments
Cert Training ; Promote members of GNEKNA to learn and support in case of an emergency	Tammy Kunz and Jacqueline Green under go training	Medium to high	Benefits to all of Keizer , and the GNEKNA
Engagement with SKATS	Tammy Kunz Jacqueline Green	Medium	Benefits the community as a whole
Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association opportunities to engage with community	Tammy Kunz Jacqueline Green	High	Helps to build mutual connections and meet the community needs as they arise
Work to reduce and identify ways to reduce traffic congestion and make travel safer for families	Tammy Kunz SKATS Meetings and Steering Committee Jacqueline Green SKATS meeting And Keizer Traffic/Bikeways/Peds	High	Tammy and Jacqueline attend as many meeting as possible to keep the GNEKNA informed and Tammy reports to Keizer CDEC(Community Diversity Engagement Committee) The Association also reports to committees as needed.
Kennedy Elementary Parent club	BEV	Medium	Reports to Tammy and Jacqueline by email of

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association Goals and Project Evaluations

			upcoming concern and needs
Work on the NTMP (Neighborhood Traffic Management plan)	Tammy and Jacqueline gathered input from those who attended meeting and gathered information from online forums	high	Ongoing work to be looked at every 6 months to ensure safety
Parks and ADA Access and safety	Tammy and Jacqueline attend all the meetings Gwen is the one who oversees Claggett creek Park	Medium	Tagging concerns and car break ins
Neighborhood Watch program	Tammy Kunz and Jacqueline green head this	High	12 Block Captain through out the community all report to Tammy by email and as problems arise KPD
Collaboration with the Neighborhood Associations	Tammy Kunz works hard on this aspect with the Help of Rhonda WKNA	High	Allows for collaboration from onlgoing project and provides support for those who are in need of that.
Engagement with Community	Tammy Kunz	High	<p>Tammy has been very active in making this her project to ensure our needs are met and help find what people need</p> <p>Tammy Has work hard and hosted meeting at different times to help meet the ongoing needs on the community and maintain involvement</p>
Technology needs	Tammy Kunz	Medium	Tammy has been hosting Google team meetings, zoom meeting and others to help engage more people
Master plan projects	Tammy Kunz	Medium	Helps to identify concern before they arise and educate the community

February and March 2024

Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council

Tammy Kunz and Jacqueline Green are part of another group that provides support for the Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association families and community.

I just wanted to use this time to honor the work they do throughout the community.

They just hosted an event with Kennedy Elementary School and it was in my opinion a huge success to see these ladies at work. They work hard for this community and we should give a special thank you.

GNEKNA Newsletter

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association



Celebration of Women in Service

We have some amazing women in our local government that serve you. We have Shaney Starr, Laura Reed, Keizer Library staff and Keizer Chamber of Commerce staff, GNEKNA Neighborhood Association (Jacqueline Green, Tammy Kunz) West Keizer Neighborhood Association as well as others. These ladies work within Keizer to make Keizer better place for our families.

February is black history Month;

As we look back let's remember how we started and look how far we have come.

The earliest known person of African descent was Markus Lopeus, a Black sailor who arrived at Tillamook Bay with merchant sea captain Robert Gray in 1788. It is documented that Lopeus died during a dispute with local Native Americans. In the following years, Black fur trappers and explorers came to the region. Many worked for the Hudson's Bay Company. A few led some of the first emigrant wagon trains over the Oregon Trail. But as more and more white settlers arrived in the area, they brought their own laws and prejudices with them.

In the 1840s, the region's provisional government forbids slavery, while also banning Black people from settling in the area. When Oregon became a state in 1859, it was the only state admitted to the Union with an Exclusion Law in its constitution. That law remained until voters removed it in 1926, while the original racist language stayed on the books until 2002.

“Oregon’s Black Pioneers” explores the stories of the African-Americans who lived, worked and created communities despite the hardships. People like Robin and Polly Holmes, who sued their former owner for their children’s freedom; Letitia Carson, who successfully took a wealthy landowner to court after he stole her property; and James Douglas, who spent twenty years helping run Fort Vancouver before becoming the governor of Vancouver Island and British Columbia.

You can learn more about this through the Keizer Heritage Center.

March is Women History Month;

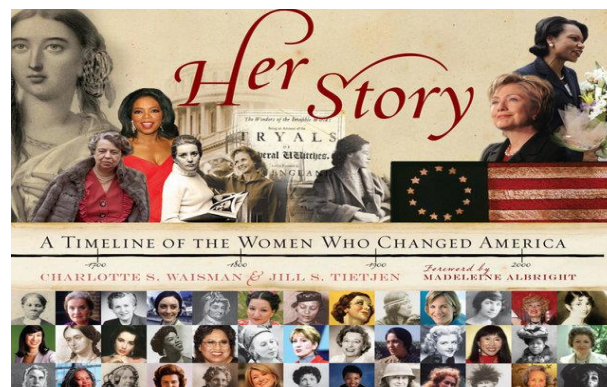
Oregon is known for strong Women to lead the way for so many as women over the years.

We have Beatrice Marrow Cannady who helped lead the Civil rights movement and quickly became known for her activism as the co-owner of NAACP’s Branch in the early 1900’s.

Thelma Payne for sporting events in the swimming and dive sectors. She went on to break records in the summer of 1920.

Beverly Cleary who wrote children books most of us grew up reading in school and have now the chance to read them our Grandchildren. She had her 1st book published if I remember around 1950 and continued to impact us for a number of years with her writing.

These are just a few women in the Oregon that help lead the way for each of person, who has followed those footsteps.



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City Update

The Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan

We hosted a great work session with Keizer City Council and The Keizer Traffic Safety/ Bikeways/ Pedestrians Committee. Here are some of the highlights

- We are aware of a process to lower speed
- Sidewalks programs are in process for repairs
- Use friendly is the goal we are not done yet, but well on our way.

Keizer Rapids Park turf field update

Construction will begin on phase 1 March 1st 2024. The Project still needs to raise about \$1 Million to finish the parking lot, and Equipment building. The City is working on a Grant for the bathrooms to be updated and completed.

Keizer City

The Keizer Civic Center will be changing names to the Keizer Event Center hoping to draw more of the community in for holding events. The fees updated, as well as the agreements for use of the Event Center. The Marketing for the media updates are still in process and being worked on. **For more information Keizer.org**

Special Thank You to the Keizer Parks department the new sign at Claggett Creek Park looks amazing!

We Parents Flourish Together

This is a group within the community that offers a number of trainings and information.

Topics; Financial Wellness; Mindfulness Meditation; Honest Compassionate Communication; Trauma Informed Practices; and Family Wellness

Snacks and a \$25 gift card are provided for each session, Children welcome.

The 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month for more information please contact Heidi Frederick at 503-856-7041 desk Cell 503-856-6608

Location is Hope Station 1337 Madison Street NE Salem

The Board of Directors update;

Would like to know what you think of the ideas they came up with to help engage with you more on other levels.

The Board would like to more people on it, if this is something you would like to do please contact our President Tammy Kunz and she can provide information to you. (971-701-3008) other contact is included in this document on the side bar.

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association has set goals for the next 3 to 5 years. They are as follows: GOALS

1. Crime prevention / reduction / intervention Started group 4/23
2. Neighborhood Watch (process started 7/2022)
3. Traffic control issues (Working on several)
4. Neighborhood mediation
5. Property improvement for parks and community gathering
6. Creating community diners every other month
7. Community Health Fair
8. Community Cafe's
9. Wednesday parties at the park (2 summer) (day may change as the needs change for you.)

Please take some time to look at these as share your thoughts and ideas of ways we can help make things easier for you to engage more with us as well as the City leaders and community.

Our monthly meetings are held at Keizer City Hall/ Community Center/ Event center. **The 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm.**

Tammy does not speak Spanish so please try to text her and if she can't understand leave a voice message she can play for me and I will translate for you.

I am also looking for someone who can help translate when I am not available.

Upcoming meeting; all meeting held at 930 Chemawa RD NE

Community Diversity engagement Committee 2/1/24 at 6pm

City Council meeting 2/5/24 at 7pm

Greater Northeast Keizer NA meeting 2/6/24 at 6:30 pm

City Council Work session 2/12/24 at 6pm

Parks 2/13/24 at 6pm

Planning Commission 2/14/24 at 6 pm

Traffic Safety/ Bikeways/ Pedestrians 2/15/24 at 6 pm

City Council 2/19/24 at 7pm

Public Arts 2/20/24 at 6pm

March;

City Council Special Session March 4th at 6 pm

Community Diversity Engagement Committee March 7th at 6 pm

Joint meeting City Council and Community Diversity Engagement

March 11th at 6 pm

Parks March 12th at 6 pm

Planning Commission March 13th at 6 pm

Volunteer coordinator March 14th at 6 pm

City Council March 18th at 7 pm

Public Art March 19th at 6 pm

Traffic Safety/ Bikeways/ Pedestrians March 21st at 6 pm

For more information Keizer .org (Meeting Materials)

Spanish;



Celebración de las Mujeres en Servicio

Tenemos algunas mujeres increíbles en nuestro gobierno local que le sirven. Contamos con Shaney Starr, Laura Reed, personal de la biblioteca de Keizer y personal de la Cámara de Comercio de Keizer, la Asociación de Vecinos GNEKNA (Jacqueline Green, Tammy Kunz), la Asociación de Vecinos de West Keizer y otros. Estas mujeres trabajan dentro de Keizer para hacer de Keizer un mejor lugar para nuestras familias.

Febrero es el mes de la historia negra;

Al mirar atrás, recordemos cómo empezamos y miremos hasta dónde hemos llegado.

La primera persona de ascendencia africana conocida fue Markus Lopeus, un marinero negro que llegó a la bahía de Tillamook con el capitán del barco mercante Robert Gray en 1788. Está documentado que Lopeus murió durante una disputa con los nativos americanos locales. En los años siguientes, cazadores de pieles negras y

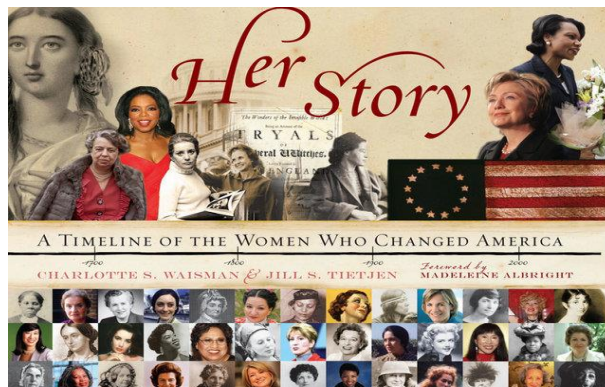
exploradores llegaron a la región. Muchos trabajaron para la Compañía de la Bahía de Hudson. Algunos condujeron algunas de las primeras caravanas de emigrantes por el sendero de Oregón. Pero a medida que llegaron más y más colonos blancos a la zona, trajeron consigo sus propias leyes y prejuicios.

En la década de 1840, el gobierno provisional de la región prohibió la esclavitud, al tiempo que prohibió a los negros establecerse en la zona. Cuando Oregón se convirtió en estado en 1859, era el único estado admitido en la Unión con una Ley de Exclusión en su constitución. Esa ley permaneció hasta que los votantes la eliminaron en 1926, mientras que el lenguaje racista original permaneció en los libros hasta 2002.

“Los pioneros negros de Oregon” explora las historias de los afroamericanos que vivieron, trabajaron y crearon comunidades a pesar de las dificultades. Personas como Robin y Polly Holmes, que demandaron a su antiguo dueño por la libertad de sus hijos; Letitia Carson, quien llevó exitosamente a los tribunales a un rico terrateniente después de que le robó su propiedad; y James Douglas, quien pasó veinte años ayudando a administrar Fort Vancouver antes de convertirse en gobernador de la isla de Vancouver y Columbia Británica.

Estas son solo algunas mujeres en Oregon que ayudan a marcar el camino para cada persona que ha seguido esos pasos.

Puede obtener más información sobre esto a través del Keizer Heritage Center.



Actualización de la ciudad

El Plan de Gestión del Tráfico Vecinal

Organizamos una gran sesión de trabajo con el Ayuntamiento de Keizer y el Comité de Peatones, Carriles Bici y Seguridad del Tráfico de Keizer. Éstos son algunos de los aspectos más destacados

- Conocemos un proceso para bajar la velocidad
- Los programas de aceras están en proceso de reparación.

- El uso amigable es el objetivo que aún no hemos logrado, pero vamos por el camino correcto.

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Ciudad de Keiser

El Centro Cívico de Keizer cambiará de nombre a Centro de Eventos de Keizer con la esperanza de atraer a más miembros de la comunidad para la celebración de eventos. Las tarifas actualizadas, así como los acuerdos de uso del Centro de Eventos. Las actualizaciones de Marketing para los medios aún están en proceso y en las que se está trabajando. Para más información Keizer.org

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La Asociación de Vecinos del Gran Noreste de Keizer ha establecido objetivos para los próximos 3 a 5 años. Son los siguientes: METAS

1. Prevención/reducción/intervención del delito Grupo iniciado 4/23
2. Vigilancia Vecinal (proceso iniciado en julio de 2022)
3. Problemas de control de tráfico (Trabajando en varios)
4. Mediación vecinal
5. Mejora de propiedades para parques y reuniones comunitarias.
6. Crear comensales comunitarios cada dos meses
7. Feria de Salud Comunitaria
8. Cafés comunitarios
9. Fiestas de los miércoles en el parque (2 de verano) (el día puede cambiar según sus necesidades).

Tómese un tiempo para verlos y compartir sus pensamientos e ideas sobre las formas en que podemos ayudarlo a facilitarle las cosas para que usted interactúe más con nosotros, así como con los líderes de la ciudad y la comunidad.

Nuestras reuniones mensuales se llevan a cabo en el Ayuntamiento/Centro Comunitario/Centro de Eventos de Keizer. El primer martes de cada mes a las 18.30 horas.

Tammy no habla español, así que intenta enviarle un mensaje de texto y, si no puede entender, deja un mensaje de voz que pueda reproducir para mí y yo te traduciré.

También estoy buscando a alguien que pueda ayudarme a traducir cuando no esté disponible.

Próxima reunion; toda la reunión se celebró en 930 Chemawa RD NE

Comité de participación de la diversidad comunitaria 1/2/24 a las 6 p.m.

Reunión del Ayuntamiento 5/2/24 a las 7 p.m.

Reunión de NA del Gran Noreste de Keizer el 6/2/24 a las 6:30 p.m.

Sesión de trabajo del Ayuntamiento 12/02/24 a las 18 horas

Parques 13/02/24 a las 6pm

Comisión de Planificación 14/02/24 a las 6 pm

Seguridad del tráfico/carriles para bicicletas/peatones 15/02/24 a las 6 p.m.

Ayuntamiento 19/02/24 a las 19 h

Artes Públicas 20/02/24 a las 6pm

Marzo;

Sesión Extraordinaria del Ayuntamiento 4 de marzo a las 6 p.m.

Comité de Participación en la Diversidad Comunitaria 7 de marzo a las 6 pm

Reunión conjunta del Ayuntamiento y la Participación de la
Diversidad Comunitaria el 11 de marzo a las 6 pm
Parques 12 de marzo a las 6 pm
Comisión de Planificación 13 de marzo a las 6 pm
Coordinador de voluntariado 14 de marzo a las 6pm
Ayuntamiento 18 de marzo a las 19 h
Arte Público 19 de marzo a las 6 pm
Seguridad Vial/Bicicletas/Peatones 21 de marzo a las 6 p.m.

Para más información Keizer .org (Materiales de la reunión)

Consejo Familiar Vecinal Kennedy

Tammy Kunz y Jacqueline Green son parte de otro grupo que brinda apoyo a las familias y la comunidad de la Asociación de Vecinos del Gran Noreste de Keiser.

Solo quería aprovechar este tiempo para honrar el trabajo que realizan en toda la comunidad.

Acaban de organizar un evento con la Escuela Primaria Kennedy y, en mi opinión, fue un gran éxito ver a estas mujeres trabajando.

Trabajan duro para esta comunidad y debemos darles un agradecimiento especial.

April and May 2024

City Council

Update; Discussion regarding Gas and Electric Franchise Agreements

Zachary Sielicly, Government Affairs Manager with Northwest Natural, stated that they have a resource center on Broadway and spoke about a streamlined permit process for working in right-of-ways and how a franchise creates stability. He asked that the Council support their Franchise Agreement.

Wendy Veliz, Portland General Electric (PGE), spoke to seek the Council's approval for a Franchise Agreement with PGE. She provided statistics for PGE's services and stated that PGE shared services with the City of Keizer by utilizing public right-of-ways. PGE asked that the Council move forward with staff's recommendation to agree with a Franchise Agreement. She confirmed that the standard, best practice is a ten-year contract with an auto-renewal of five years.

Tony Schacher, Salem Electric, summarized the number of members that they serve and the history of electric service. He stated that a Franchise Agreement instead of a right-of-way ordinance was a much more suited means to regulate their use within the right-of-way, although having both would likely strengthen the City's ability to regulate right-of-way use to meet its needs .

To begin, let's highlight some of the fentanyl!
I have had MANY conversations with school

GNEKNA Newsletter

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association



Words from Mayor Clark shared in City Council

Mayor Clark reviewed the meetings and events she had recently attended. She shared that the three Counties and Finance team for the Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments (MWVCOG) have completely overhauled the accounting system, and they completed the audit early with no issues. She stated that it was important to the City of Keizer because the City was a member of the MWVCOG's small business loans program, and they were a critical part of making sure that money was coming in and getting to the local businesses. Mayor Clark participated with the Community Development Partnership Board. She thanked the Mayor of Independence for hosting the annual Mayor's Association. Coming up would be the Legislative Committee on Measure 110 to find solutions for people suffering with addictions. The Catholic Community Services Family Shelter would be opening soon.

City of Keizer material in other Languages

The City of Keizer has material of the meeting and material in other languages to support the multi-culture and break the barriers of division. This is a place we can live and work while ending the division among us. The City of Keizer has been working on our Strategic Plan and received input from some you. I would like to say thank you, for being part of making Keizer a better place to live. For sharing how we can improve things like our parks, and sidewalks.

administrators, SRO's and local health department representatives who have

tend to be most common. Teens across the country are gaining more and more access to different substances and we are seeing different strands of these drugs every day. Even more recently, marijuana laced fentanyl in some high schools have been reported. But that doesn't mean middle or even elementary schools will not see an increase.

Garden time is soon to arrive; Egg cartons for growing starts like carrots, Celery, peppers and tomatoes. I like using toilet paper rolls for plants who have long root systems Like zucchini and pole beans, most of my vining plants I start this way and dig a whole and put the whole tube in the whole as it adds support and as it degrades helps the soils.

Garden in a Glove Activity - **5 Steps for a Garden in a Glove**

- STEP ONE: Line up 5 cotton balls and rip them in half.
 - STEP TWO: Label each finger with the name of the seed.
 - STEP THREE: Add the appropriate seed to each labeled finger. ...
 - STEP FOUR: Spray each finger with water.
- STEP FIVE: Name your garden, blow air into the glove and tie with rubber band.

To begin, let's highlight some of the fentanyl!

“Fentanyl is a human-made opioid used to treat severe pain. It’s 50 to a 100 times stronger than morphine” ([Benisek](#)). We are seeing fentanyl in various different forms including powder, liquid/intravenous, candy, and laced onto other drugs. Furthermore, we are coming across Fentanyl that could appear to look like oxy pills known in schools as fake M30 tablets, perc 30's, blues, dirty 30's, etc. These are pills manufactured at a street level that are made to look like Oxy. Other forms to pay attention to are fake Xanax bars aka “bars “or “school buses”, fake ecstasy pills, etc.

Communities, school districts in rural and large areas, along with parents are going to need to increase their education on fentanyl and other dangerous drugs in order to prevent the rising numbers of students using and experimenting with these various substances. Local and state policy alone cannot curve the trend we are seeing today. Educating people will only motivate the efforts for change in this chronic issue. As we focus this article on fentanyl, please keep in mind other opioids, methamphetamine, vapes and benzodiazepines are also

trending at high level levels in various communities.

Change starts with you! Help Educate those we can!

Community partnership builds stronger communities; Latino Business Alliance (LBA) - Café y Pan Dulce (Coffee & Sweet Bread)

Come join the Latino Business Alliance for some Café y Pan Dulce (Coffee & Sweet Bread) to network, meet other businesses and hear what we are all about. You will have the opportunity to promote your business to all our members and learn how to get involved with the Latino Business Alliance. **Latino Business Alliance (LBA) - Café... to learn more Keizer Chamber of Commerce!**



Community business!

Advantage is offering many specials to help lower our power bills, and help get your system up and running right! Please call and Ask for Zeek he will be more than happy to help you find the plan that work best for you and your Family.

Keizer Rapids Park turf field update

Construction will begin on phase 1 March 1st 2024. The Project still needs to raise about \$1 Million to finish the parking lot, and Equipment building. The City is working on a Grant for the bathrooms to be updated and completed. **Ground Breaking on March 20th at 4 pm**

Keizer City Parks and Keizer Rapids Park Turf field

There was discussion regarding the goal of a City-wide camera system and Page 174 of 177 Keizer City Council Work Session Minutes Monday, January 22, 2024 – Page 2 the potential costs, including the ongoing annual expense. There was a question about how much of a cost-savings there would be from the help of deterring crime and solving cases. Cameras would be in the parks, at road exits from the City, as well as Police Body Cameras. The upfront costs were estimated to be \$500,000 plus the cost of power and \$75,000 for the Police Body Cameras.

The Artificial Turf Project was bid and awarded, and the construction was scheduled to begin in the Spring for the first Phase. It would cost approximately \$1 million to finish the parking lot and equipment building. The City would be applying for a grant for the bathroom. There was discussion about partnerships, potential sponsorships and future use of the fields.

This is to help cut down on the tagging all the parks are experiencing and hopefully provide a safer community for our families. More to come if you see tagging you can go on line and file a report with pictures the city staff works really hard to get that cleaned up fast.

For more information Keizer.org

Special Thank You to the Keizer Parks department the new sign at Claggett Creek Park looks amazing!

We Parents Flourish Together (classes are still going)

This is a group within the community that offers a number of trainings and information.

Topics; Financial Wellness; Mindfulness Meditation; Honest Compassionate Communication; Trauma Informed Practices; and Family Wellness

Snacks and a \$25 gift card are provided for each session, Children welcome.

The 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month for more information please contact Heidi Frederick at 503-856-7041 desk Cell 503-856-6608

Location is Hope Station 1337 Madison Street NE Salem

The Board of Directors update;

Would like to know what you think of the ideas they came up with to help engage with you more on other levels.

The Board would like to more people on it, if this is something you would like to do please contact our President Tammy Kunz and she can provide information to you. (971-701-3008) other contact is included in this document on the side bar.

The purpose of Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association is to empower our neighborhood and our improve community. The purpose of neighborhood associations is to advocate for your neighborhood with local government, improve neighborhood amenities, and organize activities. It is also a place to meet friends, exchange information, create projects and priorities, propose solutions, and have fun. We have a number of reasons I have listed above and below, we all live in this area and it part of our responsibility to keep it safe and work with one another. We currently represent about 5400 families and businesses.

We would like to grow our in person meetings and need to hear how we can do that and meet the needs. We have made some changes with the day and time to help solve some of the concerns we heard from you. One of the needs we have is someone who can translate for our meetings as we grow. If this is something you are interest in please let us know

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association has set goals for the next 3 to 5 years. They are as follows: GOALS top 4 items you chose!

1. Crime prevention / reduction / intervention
2. Neighborhood Watch (Block Captains needed)
3. Traffic control issues (Working on several)
4. Property improvement for parks and community gathering

Please take some time to look at these as share your thoughts and ideas of ways we can help make things easier for you to engage more with us as well as the City leaders and community.

Our monthly meetings are held at Keizer City Hall/ Community Center/ Event center. The 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm.

Tammy does not speak Spanish so please try to text her and if she can't understand leave a voice message she can play for me and I will translate for you. I am also looking for someone who can help translate when I am not available.

Upcoming meeting; all meeting held at 930 Chemawa RD NE

April 2024

City Council meeting 4/1/24 at 7pm
 Greater Northeast Keizer NA meeting 4/2/24 at 6:30 pm
 Community Diversity Engagement Committee 4/4/24 at 6pm
 City Council Work session 4/8/24 at 6pm
 Parks 4/9/24 at 6pm
 Planning Commission canceled
 Traffic Safety/ Bikeways/ Pedestrians 4/18//24 at 6 pm
 City Council 4/29/24 at 7pm

May 2024

Community Diversity Engagement Committee 5/2/24 at 6 pm
 City Council 5/6/24 at 7 pm
 Planning Commission 5/8/24 at 6 pm
 City Council / Budget 5/13/24 at 6 pm
 City Council/ Budget 5/14/24 at 6pm
 Traffic Safety/ Bikeways/ Pedestrians 5/15/24 at 6 pm
 Budget 5/16/24 at 6pm
 Parks Canceled
 City Council 5/20/24 at 7 pm
 Public Art 5/21/24 at 6 pm

For more information Keizer .org (Meeting Materials)

Spanish; Asociación de Vecinos del Gran Noreste de Keizer

Abril y mayo de 2024 Actualización del Ayuntamiento; Discusión sobre Contratos de Franquicia de Gas y Electricidad

Zachary Sielicly, Gerente de Asuntos Gubernamentales de Northwest Natural, afirmó que tienen un centro de recursos en Broadway y habló sobre un proceso de permisos simplificado para trabajar en derechos de paso y cómo una franquicia crea estabilidad. Pidió que el Consejo apoye su acuerdo de franquicia.

Wendy Veliz, Portland General Electric (PGE), habló para buscar la aprobación del Consejo para un acuerdo de franquicia con PGE. Proporcionó estadísticas de los servicios de PGE y afirmó que PGE compartía servicios con la ciudad de Keizer mediante la utilización de derechos de paso públicos. PGE pidió que el Consejo avance con la recomendación del personal de acordar un acuerdo de franquicia. Confirmó que la mejor práctica estándar es un contrato de diez años con una renovación automática de cinco años.

Tony Schacher, Salem Electric, resumió la cantidad de miembros a los que prestan servicios y la historia del servicio eléctrico. Dijo que un Acuerdo de Franquicia en lugar de una ordenanza de derecho de vía era un

medio mucho más adecuado para regular su uso dentro del derecho de vía, aunque tener ambos probablemente fortalecería la capacidad de la Ciudad para regular el uso del derecho de vía. para satisfacer sus necesidades.

Palabras del alcalde Clark compartidas en el Concejo Municipal La alcaldesa Clark revisó las

reuniones y eventos a los que había asistido recientemente. Ella compartió que los tres condados y el equipo de finanzas del Consejo de Gobiernos de Mid-Willamette Valley (MWVCOG) han revisado completamente el sistema de contabilidad y completaron la auditoría temprano y sin problemas. Dijo que era importante para la ciudad de Keizer porque la ciudad era miembro del programa de préstamos para pequeñas empresas del MWVCOG y eran una parte fundamental para garantizar que el dinero ingresara y llegara a las empresas locales. El alcalde Clark participó con la Junta de Asociación para el Desarrollo Comunitario. Agradeció al Alcalde de Independence por ser anfitrión de la Asociación de Alcaldes anual. Próximamente estaría el Comité Legislativo sobre la Medida 110 para encontrar soluciones para las personas que sufren de adicciones. El Refugio Familiar de Servicios Comunitarios Católicos abriría pronto.

Material de la ciudad de Keizer en otros idiomas

La Ciudad de Keizer cuenta con material del encuentro y material en otros idiomas para apoyar la multiculturalidad y romper las barreras de división. Este es un lugar donde podemos vivir y trabajar mientras ponemos fin a la división entre nosotros. La ciudad de Keizer ha estado trabajando en nuestro Plan Estratégico y recibió comentarios de algunos de ustedes. Me gustaría agradecerles por ser parte de hacer Keizer es un lugar mejor para vivir. Por compartir cómo podemos mejorar cosas como nuestros parques y aceras.

Pronto llegará la hora del jardín; Cartones de huevos para el cultivo de zanahorias, apio, pimientos y tomates. Me gusta usar rollos de papel higiénico para plantas que tienen sistemas de raíces largas, como calabacines y judías verdes, la mayoría de mis plantas enredaderas. Empiezo de esta manera, cavo un agujero y coloco el tubo completo en el interior, ya que agrega soporte y se degrada, ayuda al suelo. Actividad de jardín en un guante: 5 pasos para un jardín en un guante • PASO UNO: Alinee 5 bolas de algodón y córtelas por la mitad. • PASO DOS: Etiquete cada dedo con el nombre de la semilla. • PASO TRES: Agregue la semilla apropiada a cada dedo etiquetado. • PASO CUATRO: Rocíe cada dedo con agua. PASO CINCO: Nombre su jardín, sople aire en el guante y átelo con una banda elástica

Para empezar, ¡destaquemos algo del fentanilo!

He tenido MUCHAS conversaciones con administradores escolares, SRO y representantes del departamento de salud local que han destacado las sobredosis de fentanilo en sus escuelas. Las escuelas secundarias tienden a ser las más comunes. Los adolescentes de todo el país están obteniendo cada vez más acceso a diferentes sustancias y vemos diferentes tipos de estas drogas todos los días. Incluso más recientemente, se ha informado de la presencia de fentanilo mezclado con marihuana en algunas escuelas secundarias. Pero eso no significa que las escuelas intermedias o incluso primarias no verán un aumento.

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El fentanilo es un opioide de origen humano que se utiliza para tratar el dolor intenso. Es entre 50 y 100 veces más fuerte que la morfina” (Benisek). Estamos viendo fentanilo en varias formas diferentes, incluyendo polvo, líquido/intravenoso, caramelos y mezclado con otras drogas. Además, nos estamos topando con Fentanilo que podría parecerse a pastillas de oxi conocidas en las escuelas como pastillas falsas M30, perc 30, blues, dirty 30, etc. Se trata de pastillas fabricadas a pie de calle que están hechas para parecerse a Oxy. Otras formas a las que hay que prestar atención son las barras falsas de Xanax, también conocidas como “barras” o “autobuses

escolares”, las pastillas de éxtasis falsas, etc. Las comunidades, los distritos escolares en áreas rurales y grandes, junto con los padres, necesitarán aumentar su educación sobre el fentanilo y otras drogas peligrosas para evitar que un número creciente de estudiantes usen y experimenten con estas diversas sustancias. Las políticas locales y estatales por sí solas no pueden frenar la tendencia que estamos viendo hoy. Educar a la gente sólo motivará los esfuerzos por cambiar este problema crónico. Mientras centramos este artículo en el fentanilo, tenga en cuenta que otros opioides, la metanfetamina, los vaporizadores y las benzodiazepinas también tienen una tendencia a niveles altos en varias comunidades. ¡El cambio comienza contigo! ¡Ayuda a Educar a quienes podamos!

La asociación comunitaria construye comunidades más fuertes; Alianza Empresarial Latina (LBA) - Café y Pan Dulce

Únase a la Alianza Empresarial Latina para tomar un Café y Pan Dulce para establecer contactos, conocer otras empresas y escuchar de qué se trata. Tendrá la oportunidad de promover su negocio entre todos nuestros miembros y aprender cómo involucrarse con Latino Business Alliance. Latino Business Alliance (LBA) - Café... para saber más ¡Cámara de Comercio de Keiser!



¡Negocio comunitario! Advantage ofrece muchas ofertas especiales para ayudar a reducir nuestras facturas de energía y ayudar a que su sistema esté funcionando correctamente. Llame y pregunte por Zeek. Él estará encantado de ayudarle a encontrar el plan que funcione mejor para usted y su familia.

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Para más información Keizer.org

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El propósito de la Asociación de Vecinos del Gran Noreste de Keizer es empoderar a nuestro vecindario y mejorar nuestra comunidad. El propósito de las asociaciones de vecinos es defender su vecindario ante el gobierno local, mejorar las comodidades del vecindario y organizar actividades. También es un lugar para encontrar amigos, intercambiar información, crear proyectos y prioridades, proponer soluciones y divertirse. Tenemos una serie de razones que he enumerado arriba y abajo, todos vivimos en esta área y es parte de nuestra responsabilidad mantenerla segura y trabajar entre nosotros. Actualmente representamos a unas 5400 familias y empresas.

Nos gustaría aumentar nuestras reuniones en persona y necesitamos saber cómo podemos hacerlo y satisfacer las necesidades. Hemos realizado algunos cambios en el día y la hora para ayudar a resolver algunas de las inquietudes que recibimos de usted. Una de las necesidades que tenemos es alguien que pueda traducir para nuestras reuniones a medida que crecemos. Si esto es algo que le interesa, háganoslo saber.

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Tómese un tiempo para verlos y compartir sus pensamientos e ideas sobre las formas en que podemos ayudarlo a facilitarle las cosas para que usted interactúe más con nosotros, así como con los líderes de la ciudad y la comunidad.

Nuestras reuniones mensuales se llevan a cabo en el Ayuntamiento/Centro Comunitario/Centro de Eventos de Keizer. El primer martes de cada mes a las 18.30 horas.

Tammy no habla español, así que intenta enviarle un mensaje de texto y, si no puede entender, deja un mensaje de voz que pueda reproducir para mí y yo te traduciré. También estoy buscando a alguien que pueda ayudarme a traducir cuando no esté disponible.

Próxima reunion; toda la reunión se celebró en 930
Chemawa RD NE abril 2024

Reunión del Ayuntamiento 1/4/24 a las 7 p.m.
Reunión de NA del Gran Noreste de Keizer el 2/4/24 a las 6:30 p.m. Comité de Participación en la Diversidad Comunitaria 4/4/24 a las 6 p.m.
Sesión de trabajo del Ayuntamiento 8/4/24 a las 18 horas
Parques 4/9/24 a las 6pm
Comisión de Planificación cancelada Seguridad Vial/Bicicletas/Peatones
18/4/24 a las 6 p.m. Ayuntamiento 29/04/24 a las 19 h

mayo 2024

Comité de Participación en la Diversidad Comunitaria
24/05/24 a las 6 p.m.

Ayuntamiento 6/05/24 a las 19 h

Comisión de Planificación 8/5/24 a las 6 pm

Ayuntamiento / Presupuesto 13/05/24 a las 18 h

Ayuntamiento/ Presupuesto 14/05/24 a las 18h

Seguridad del tráfico/carriles para bicicletas/peatones
15/05/24 a las 6 p.m.

Presupuesto 16/05/24 a las 18h

Parques cancelados
Ayuntamiento 20/05/24 a las 19 h
Arte Público 21/05/24 a las 6 p.m.

Para más información [Keizer .org](https://www.keizer.org) (Materiales de la reunión)

GREATER NORTHEAST KEIZER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Newsletter February and March

A RECENT SUCCESS

Keizer Library · Keizer

Community; Neighborhood
Watch

Save the date events

Community Diversity
Engagement Committee
Meeting

MOST RECENT EVENTS KEIZER LIBRARY

Hi all,

I want to thank each of you for your support during the past several months as we tried, unsuccessfully, to bring a public library to Keizer. The ballot measure failed 55% - 45%.

The City has pledged to give the Library \$60,000 to support operations in 2023, so we look forward to at least one more year of operation, which couldn't happen without our dedicated group of volunteers who cover desk shifts, sort books, catalog new donations, run and volunteer at our book sales, and provide so much support and hard work.

Please accept my gratitude for your help during this campaign. We may not have won but we fought well and hard and fairly and can be proud of our efforts.

From my heart,
BJ

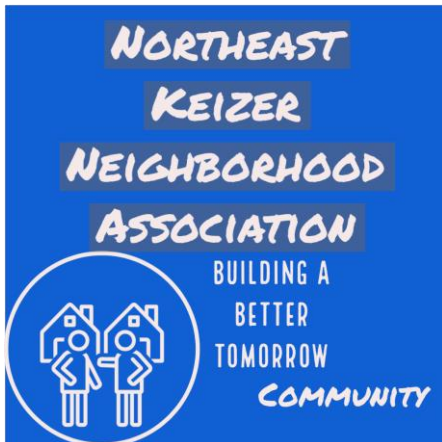
Community Library becoming a public library can be found at: https://keizerlibrary.org/public_library/ or contact Library Board Vice President BJ Toewe at 503-580-8969 or bj@keizerlibrary.org

Neighborhood Watch Program

Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association has been part of the ground breaking start to a wonderful program.

Neighborhood Crime Prevention: A Joint Responsibility

The prevention of crime – particularly crime involving residential neighborhoods – is a responsibility that must be shared equally by law enforcement and private citizens. The fact is, the impact on crime prevention by law enforcement alone is minimal when compared with the power of private citizens working with law enforcement and with each other. For more information please call 503-991-1671



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Check out our story poles

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SAVE THE DATE EVENTS; BLACK HISTORY MONTH FEBRUARY;

March Women's History Month and Child abuse prevention
Month

City Council meeting 02/06/23 7pm

03 06/23 7pm

GNEKNA meeting 02/22/23 6 pm

03/22/23 6 pm

Community Diversity Engagement Committee; 02/02/23 6 pm

03/02/23 6 pm

Parks Advisory 02/14/23 6pm

03 14/23 6pm

Planning Commission 02/08/23 6 pm

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Hello,

How / why did I get involved in the Neighborhood Association?

I talked to Carol and asked questions, and Rhonda from West Keizer Neighborhood Association, as well as Colleen/ Bob from Southeast Keizer Neighborhood Association and they shared it a great way to have support for the neighborhood. We have some issues to deal with and I decided to take this on.

The Neighborhood Association primary contact is a volunteer that a recognized Neighborhood Association selects to serve as their primary contact with the City of Keizer. The Neighborhood Association contact serves as the primary communicator between the recognized neighborhood association and the City. Contact information for this individual is available to the public on the City's website and upon request. All City Staff will be notified of the name and contact information for the Neighborhood Association. City Staff will be able to assist the contact to interpret official notices and policies.

Do I consider myself an activist? No, I just advocate for what we need in the community and what I hear from my community. The City will seek to notify the Neighborhood Association contact on matters of neighborhood interest. For example, the Neighborhood Association contact will be notified when: Significant neighborhood projects are being discussed or proposed such as street reconstruction, park development or redevelopment or land use planning.

- A mailing goes out to residents in the neighborhood related to a City matter or public hearing.

The Mayors Proclamation for October; I am part of the Community Diversity Engagement Committee and I asked to do this for the Committee. It's a way for us to share this information within the community and shine a light on things people don't know or understand. I love serving the community this way, as I am not used to being front and center but to help bring awareness to a cause like this warms my heart.

What are 3 issues Greater Northeast Keizer faces?

The top 3

1. Northview Terrace is in need of a bathroom for our children to use, while we play at this park, they would like one that is handicap accessible.

2. Sidewalks are vital to achieve safety for our children getting to and from school. I am going to be working with Safe route to schools as well on how we can achieve this. Kennedy Elementary is in need of sidewalks to allow our kids a safe route to school.

3. Verda Lane Project; information comes from attending meetings may be subject to change as the project moves forward. The side walk on the Verda crossing side is almost complete. Cherriots was there on September 1st assessing the bus stops to see what changes need to be made on their side.

Question that have come about; Verda Lane: Dearborn Avenue to Salem Parkway Design Phase; Verda Lane is a route used by both Elementary and Middle/ High school students.

We will have the following.

- Construct bicycle lanes.
- Build sidewalks.
- Realign intersections.
- Upgrade drainage- The drainage is being addressed by the road side they added good size drainage and are adding rock and dirt to that area to help hit off the flooding for raining season.

On the scale of 1 to 10 city of Keizer does working with the Neighborhood Association?

For the most part the Council / And Keizer are supportive of the Associations and we are currently working on updating Ordinance so that we can be more effective with the work we do in the community. I would rate it at a 9 as we could use more support from all our Keizer folks in Charge.

What is my background? And are you a member of other organizations?

I am a compassionate person, one who cares about the wellbeing of others. I know how to help people find hope or inspiration to overcome obstacles because I had to do it to get this far. I am capable of providing encouragement to those who needs extra help in finding their own inspiration to reach their own goals.

I am confident in my abilities to perform the duties of this position partly because I have been through the mill and acquired my GED, as well as two Associates degrees in Elementary Education and Business Administration. I graduated with Honors in my business degree and am having a Bachelor in Business Administration with a minor in Project Management. I did this while going to school online, even being homeless I was able to do degree program online work and not fall behind. This shows my determination to complete what I start.

I love serving the community in any way I am able to. I have attended all the meetings for a while now and have seen how things work. I believe I can make a difference in our community and the committees I serve on. I have been attending other inter-governmental meeting as well as become part of the community in a meaningful way. I take pride in how I interact with my families and those around our City, and State. I have worked very hard to learn from my leader and have become more active with in the community on multiple levels..

I have been worked hard to create Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association as well as the Neighborhood watch program with our Police department and for Northeast Keizer as well as all of Keizer. This is for the Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council has been up and running smooth for 18 month, which serves the same School as our

Association. I work closely with you and the parents of this community to make this a safer place for our children to grow up in.

The basic ingredients are people who are willing to work together to create change. Planning and structure people who are will to be a leader or hold a leadership position. Neighborhoods are the heart of a city. For many people, the neighborhood they live in is as important as the house they live in. Most neighborhoods have clearly identifiable characteristics: housing types, appearance, neighborliness, and safety. These characteristics affect the value of the houses in the area as well as the desirability of living in the neighborhood. There are both emotional and economic benefits to having friendly, safe, and attractive neighborhoods.

Some of the places I serve are our Community Diversity Engagement Committee; I serve on Community Diversity Engagement Committee 1st Thursday, Community Business & Education Leaders (CBEL) 2 a month, Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association 1st Tuesday of the month, Keizer United Board, Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council, MTSAP Steering Committee, Keizer Neighborhood Watch meetings and Oregon Department of Emergency Management (CERT).

I attend in person / or online (Zoom) City Council Monday's, Parks meeting, Traffic Safety/ Bikeways / Pedestrians, Planning Committee, Greater Gubser neighborhood Association, West Keizer Neighborhood Association, Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS) Policy Committee (PC) , Mid-Willamette Valley Area Commission on Transportation (MWACT) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Plus, I try to attend Volunteer Coordinator Committee meetings as much as possible.

This may seem like a lot and it is but it is really important for me to share the information I receive from these meetings with my community, and I use this information for my monthly reports with the Community Diversity Engagement Committee. I use this information with my new letters and to information our community with the online forums as well.

No, I am not a native Jim Jones and I moved here to take care of his mother and we were blessed with an extra 6 years before we lost her fight to cancer. We have Kids who live all over the states from Florida to Utah, and several grandkids. We have been together for 22 years this year.

What is the number one thing Keizer needs to make Keizer a better place to live?

Better sidewalks, more connections with people in the community and build more ways to engage within the community. Safer ways to cross streets, better lighting for parks and more ADA parks for those families who need them are some of what can we do to make Keizer safer and better.

Who should be mayor after Cathy Clark? No Clue

Thank you, for you time

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Meeting minutes March 5th online Meeting 15 attendance

Tammy and Jacqueline reached out to share that we were not going to host our in person meeting this month. We reached out to have a brief discussion on using our online Google meet. I want you all to know until I share this with Tammy and Jacqueline they do not know what is in this and the board is aware we are doing this we have their blessing.

Here's why, Tammy had been holding community conversations online with Next-door and Facebook. She had asked what engagement we are looking for from the Association and Community Diversity Engagement Committee here are some of those highlights.

Four popular community engagement methods are community meetings, focus groups, surveys and online engagement – and there are pros and cons to using each one.

- Community meetings; Public or Town Hall meetings can be a valuable way of sharing information.

The face-to-face nature of these events provides a great opportunity to demonstrate openness and transparency to community members. It is important to consider what will make your event compelling to partnership with the communities – and encourage attendance.

With that we have families and some of us are single moms and dads, we have grandparents raising children and a small group of people who have survived abuse from our partners. For safety reasons cannot be on TV. (City Council and other meetings show feeds).

- Opportunity to deliver information and gather feedback. Community meetings can be used effectively at the beginning of an initiative to explain processes and outcomes. For this we rely upon Tammy and Jacqueline to help keep us safe while sharing information.
- Great for meeting community members in person, and to demonstrate transparency. For this we Thank Mrs. Starr, Mrs. Cross and Mayor Clark always show integrity and grace to make sure our voices are heard. Mr. Dan Kohler is the same. We don't have more money for this or that. We have a home with 4 generations living in one house with 3 bedrooms just because 2 of them became homeless and can't make it on their If an issue or project is particularly controversial, this may not be the right method for engagement.

- Media publicity may be negative if the meeting is confrontational or not handled well. Own right now.
- Can be useful for community outreach or to attract media attention for your project or program. We have watched and listened to the work session with the Traffic Safety Committee and know some of those people think we don't matter because we don't want to talk to our neighbors or knock doors. (it is not safe)
- This small group setting is an efficient way to use resources and identify important issues.
- Focus groups can be planned and organized to reach a specific group of community members and leaders that have developed around a particular topic. This is where Tammy and Jacqueline reached out and asked questions and looked at ways they can make a difference. They have surveys and done polls to see what makes a difference for us, meeting us where we are.

There is not one perfect way to engage with stakeholders, and needs will change depending on the groups and issues needing to be addressed. Using more than one outreach method for your engagement process will pave the way to increased stakeholder participation, and building of stronger relations with your neighborhood, online community. THIS THEY DO WELL

Being asked to participate in a consultation, but not believing that your input will make any difference to the outcome, is a serious hazard. If intention is not genuine, people can sense it. Effective engagement is more than a checkbox as all parties must value it.

We have been working on 3 things or themes as we are calling it. Collaboration, Consultation and Communication. We are working on how to build Strong connections in our neighborhoods and with families. This is very important to Tammy as our motto is building a stronger community for a better tomorrow.

We have so many different ideas and ways that we are looking at changing how people think it should be. We are all neighbors and what goes on behind closed doors is up to you. However if it can help improve your quality of life it makes a difference. This can be as simple as a home cooked meal delivery or Tammy and Jacqueline bringing a food box which they do. Dropping off a small care package, yes they do it too. These are simple but you feel like you matter because you do. They do a lot for us and never tell anyone but you know it's them.

I know Tammy and Jacqueline have a work session with the City Council but we wanted you to know some of what we are doing and how you can support us as part of this Neighborhood Association. Plus sharing information helps you all have an opportunity to hear from us.

AJ

My name is Beth T

I can share the same information and agree with AJ. I am hoping you are willing to give me a chance. I am scared but you all need to know I have 6 kids and 3 of my children as well as myself have been traumatized by my Ex. One of my boys has a TBI now for trying to protect me. I can't afford to lose work to go to meetings and I am grateful for the opportunity to attend online meetings. I work 2 full-time and 1 part-time job just to provide for my family. And without the support of Tammy and Jacqueline building Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association I would not have my new job, or my part time job that I am blessed to do from home as I care for my family. I would like you to know that my son was almost hit by a car going to school at Kennedy Elementary; my daughter fell into the road nearly hit by a car as the sidewalk is not there. What is it going to take for sidewalks to go in? Side roads Matter, we matter how the Traffic Safety Committee can say we need more deaths, time we should not have to lose our babies to get a sidewalk.

I listened to the work session, mad and angry we matter, the lady before Tammy S we matter Tammy and Jacqueline have been working on sidewalks for a year. Red tape I know, development of a program, I will help research and put materials together but never come as I have to protect myself and my family. Behind the Scenes OK tell me what to do.

Beth T

We have all provided information including some of our testimonials, please know these ladies work hard and do a lot they will not share but we want you to know because they make a difference for us and our neighborhood associations.

Inclosing we have come up with some of what we would like to see happen with the Community Diversity Engagement Committee,

- Attend community events with the purpose of engaging and asking us questions, how are we, how can we make it better, what are some needs for our community, are we enjoying our parks? All of which only one person has done. Thank you Shaney!
- Community ownership and leadership in any change effort is essential for its long-term sustainability and success. Fear is one of the biggest barriers that prevent change makers from applying authentic community engagement practices.

We came up with what community engagement means to us and I hope this helps as we have refined it a few times. The process of working collaboratively with and through groups of people affiliated by geographic proximity, special interest, or similar situations to address issues affecting the wellbeing of those people. This can change from person to person, Tammy asked us what community engagement looks like and what it means to us and this is what it looks like.

The focus of this committee should be how can you engage more, connect more, go to a place where we are at the dog park. I am there each day for an hour in the evening, I have seen Lisa and she is awesome and sweet. Not sure I think Tammy said she is part of Parks. However she talks to folks and we see her care for KRP and I have seen her at others. Seems nice and friendly, I like that.

Community events held throughout our City, Shaney has been seen and interacts with us as does Mrs. Cross and Dan are always super nice and helpful. I have seen Councilor Duran at KRP in preparation for Keizer fest, always pleasant and seem to really enjoy serving. Your parks department, Traffic department should be attending meetings and providing support for this committee and for the Association meetings, they do when an invite is done, what about just coming and being part of us.

I want to say thank you for all the work you ladies do again. I cannot stress enough we need you, your care and it shows through all the little things in your life. We are blessed by you and thanks for taking time to do the newsletters and gathering resources, helping us go through them as we need them and thanks you for helping me personally get connected to the Arches Project and now I am on the list for our own home, this is huge for our family so thanks.

Bev D

Thanks, we have asked Tammy to share this.

AJ Secretary GNEKNA

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I am writing to you as President of Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association, during last month's meeting for TRAFFIC SAFETY/BIKEWAYS/PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE;

Neighborhood Associations voiced opposition to the requirement in the Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan for door-to-door solicitation of signatures. I am concerned this could become a problem for us as Neighborhood Associations to address safety concerns. We had a meeting on this topic alone, with the board and this was a concern as we have a couple who are older in age and respecting the signs on doors is important.

Next is we are looking to add a traffic calming device in the Greater Northeast Neighborhood Association for Kennedy Elementary school and are looking for this to be placed around May street. As Verda crossing goes in we are looking at the growth and development of the children who will be housed in this community and will also be attending the school. We would like to see a flashing beacon light to allow for safely crossing Verda road to get to the school.

I wonder if we can use some grant funding here to do street art to help with calming the traffic. As West Salem has seen a decrease in the speed on Kingwood near the West Salem Clinic where this art is located in the street. (The Federal grant I mentioned is the Neighborhood Access and Equity grant: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/inflation-reduction-act/fact_sheets/nae_grant_program.cfm)

- Adding sign to slow traffic in our school zones is something we need to address to provide safety pathways for our children going to school.

I have put out a couple of polls with our Next-door and Facebook, as well as an email blast. I have been looking at the online conversations around this topic and have spoken with about 45 people who feel the same way, I ask you to submit a

letter to the Traffic Safety / Bikeway/ Peds committee in support of making this a site for the flashing light that allows our children to cross to and from school safely. I did share that I have spoken with this committee and shared this but we will be drafting a formal letter as well.

Lastly we have a walking group that does different areas in our community; I was presented with a list of items to address. Northview Terrace is in need of a bathroom for our children to use, while we play at this park. They would like one that is handicap accessible as well, not to exclude anyone and provide access for those families that may need the extra support.

- The entry way entering the Northview Terrace Park has quite a drop off; Children have fallen off bikes and skateboards entering the park.
- Sidewalk repairs near this park need some repairs so allow safe access to Northview Terrace Park.
- On Dearborn we need sidewalk repairs across from the park and heading toward river road.
- 12th on off Dearborn need to be paved as you enter the lawless end of the road. And we are asking for sidewalks on Lawless both sides of the road.
- 14th off of Dearborn needs sidewalk repairs in front of 4070, and 4090 area could use to be repaired.
- Verda needs sidewalks heading to Lockhaven road on both sides to allow safe places for the kids who walk, bus, and people who walk those roads the north side, as the south side is set to be done on right. This leaves the left hand side of the road heading toward the parkway needs to have some sidewalks put in.
- Finally on River road in front of Jiffy Lube, and Jacqueline and I (Tammy) saw an older man in a wheel chair almost fall over due to the sidewalk and driveway and in front of the small plaza on the corner of Dearborn and River . We fear this is not the only one as Tammy rides on the side of the road for this reason.

For place we need support walkways to allow our children to get to school we found this to help until we can get sidewalks in the places we need them. We feel

this may be a good compromise and working with safe route to school may help with this funding as we move forward.

- Mobi-mat ADA roll out wood like walkway: Installation, Maintenance and Storage I have provided the link below for more information.



(<https://shop.mobi-mat.com/blogs/wheelchair-mat/mobi-mat-roll-out-wooden-walkway-installation-removing-ada-mats>)



Another option is

(https://www.misterboardwalk.com/rollout.html?gclid=Cj0KCQjw9rSoBhCiARIsAFOiplmi-vPKUcGRrpYWaPIY5psnlp3SjY5pYoJx1fz2L16BvBC3diobFDIaAihTEALw_wcB)

This is our short list of items we hope we get taken care over the next year. We have a longer list but feel this is the best way to not over whelm the teams of people involved and it is safer choice for us. And cover the information we have been sharing over the last year.

Thank you for your time and consideration on these matters;

Tammy Kunz

Spanish;

Le escribo como Presidente de la Asociación de Vecinos del Gran Noreste de Keizer, durante la reunión del mes pasado del COMITÉ DE SEGURIDAD DEL TRÁFICO/VÍAS PARA BICICLETAS/PEATONALES;

Las asociaciones de vecinos expresaron su oposición al requisito del Plan de Gestión del Tráfico Vecinal de solicitar firmas puerta a puerta. Me preocupa que esto pueda convertirse en un problema para nosotros como Asociaciones de Vecinos a la hora de abordar los problemas de seguridad. Tuvimos una reunión sobre este tema solo, con la junta y esto fue una preocupación ya que tenemos una pareja que es mayor y es importante respetar los letreros en las puertas.

Lo siguiente es agregar un dispositivo para calmar el tráfico en la Asociación de Vecinos del Gran Noreste para la escuela primaria Kennedy y estamos buscando que se coloque alrededor de May Street. A medida que avanza el cruce de Verda, observamos el crecimiento y desarrollo de los niños que se alojarán en esta comunidad y que también asistirán a la escuela. Nos gustaría ver una luz intermitente para permitir cruzar de manera segura la calle Verda para llegar a la escuela.

- ✓ Me pregunto si podemos utilizar algunas subvenciones aquí para hacer arte callejero y ayudar a calmar el tráfico.
- ✓ Agregar señales para reducir el tráfico en nuestras zonas escolares es algo que debemos abordar para proporcionar caminos seguros para que nuestros niños vayan a la escuela.

He publicado un par de encuestas en Next-door y Facebook, además de un envío masivo de correos electrónicos. He estado mirando las conversaciones en línea sobre este tema y he hablado con aproximadamente 45 personas que sienten lo mismo. Les pido que envíen una carta al comité de Seguridad Vial/Carril Bici/Peds en apoyo a hacer de este un sitio para el flasheo. luz que permita a nuestros niños cruzar hacia y desde la escuela de manera segura. Compartí que hablé con este comité y compartí esto, pero también redactaremos una carta formal.

Por último tenemos un grupo de caminata que recorre diferentes áreas de nuestra comunidad; Me presentaron una lista de temas a abordar. Northview

Terrace necesita un baño para que lo usen nuestros hijos mientras jugamos en este parque. Les gustaría uno que también sea accesible para discapacitados, que no excluya a nadie y brinde acceso a aquellas familias que puedan necesitar apoyo adicional.

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- ✓ La entrada al parque Northview Terrace tiene una bajada considerable; Niños se han caído de bicicletas y patinetas al entrar al parque.
- ✓ Las reparaciones de las aceras cerca de este parque necesitan algunas reparaciones para permitir un acceso seguro al parque Northview Terrace.
- ✓ En Dearborn necesitamos reparaciones en las aceras frente al parque y en dirección a River Road.
- ✓ La calle 12 en la salida de Dearborn debe estar pavimentada al ingresar al final sin ley de la carretera. Y estamos pidiendo aceras en Lawless a ambos lados de la carretera.
- ✓ !4th en Dearborn necesita reparaciones en la acera frente a 4070, y el área de 4090 podría necesitar reparación.
- ✓ Verda necesita aceras en dirección a Lockhaven Road en ambos lados para permitir lugares seguros para los niños que caminan, viajan en autobús y las personas que caminan por esas calles en el lado norte, ya que el lado sur debe hacerse a la derecha. Esto deja el lado izquierdo de la carretera que se dirige hacia la avenida y necesita que se le coloquen algunas aceras.
- ✓ Finalmente en River Road frente a Jiffy Lube, Jacqueline y yo (Tammy) vimos a un hombre mayor en silla de ruedas que casi se cae debido a la acera y el camino de entrada y frente a la pequeña plaza en la esquina de Dearborn y River. Tememos que este no sea el único, ya que Tammy viaja al costado de la carretera por este motivo.

En cuanto al lugar donde necesitamos pasarelas de apoyo para permitir que nuestros niños lleguen a la escuela, encontramos que esto nos ayudará hasta que podamos conseguir aceras en los lugares donde las necesitamos. Creemos que este puede ser un buen compromiso y trabajar con una ruta segura a la escuela puede ayudar con esta financiación a medida que avanzamos.

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Gracias por su tiempo y consideración sobre estos asuntos;

Tammy Kunz

Community Diversity Engagement Committee notes for the work session

Just in case I don't have time to share all my thoughts, I decided to type up my thoughts and share them. Some of these have come from holding conversations with folks and looking for ways to enhance outreach with my community.

Some of my thoughts of what it means to be part of this committee; **Community engagement seeks to engage community to achieve sustainable outcomes, equitable decision-making processes, and deepen relationships and trust between government organizations and communities.** This should be one of our main focal points, engaging with groups such as Latino businesses; to see what they need how we can help or do they need support. This is just one group, we need to be a group of action we do a lot of talking, but the neighborhood association would like us to attend meetings, and engage talk to those who attend and see what needs they have and how we can add support for growth an better engage.

In demonstrating that community contribution matters, public participation challenges the linear, or one-way relationship between government organizations and communities and promotes productive, durable change through, among other things, such as community events, school meetings, making our communities safer again. We have tagging, theft of items, large group of teens and young adults looking for trouble is what it seems to be, but they may just be gathering.

Having programs and or Committees for community engagement; it results in stronger, more equitable policies. It builds trust between communities and government. And it provides a better understanding and sense of ownership with the community which can lessen push back and make implementation more successful. The importance of community engagement is pretty clear for me it provides a level of interactions within the communities we serve to ensure we are supporting partners and members of the communities we are meeting the needs and if we are not what we are missing so we can create better outcomes. (For example we know how to be a good neighbor this is what we are doing on a larger scale.)

I also believe through feedback, community engagement enables government and public decision-making organizations to listen and, in turn, demonstrate the impact of community contribution. Community engagement, then, builds deeper, stronger and more trusting relationships between public organizations and communities. As I have been working on asking questions and engaging in different ways, this allows me to build better relationships with groups of people, families and those I interact with. This has changed my outlook and made me feel part of something, rather than impacted with cause.

As I have been learning and working within the community I have learned some of why this engagement piece doesn't work. Difficulties in accessing information communities often lack adequate information on policy, plans and budgets, programs and services, all of which is needed for effective public participation. Some of the information is difficult to obtain and understand. I have learned to ask questions but not everyone has that chance. By working through the tough things it can help improve the relevance, quality, and impact of health and well-being measurement, as well as foster trust, empowerment, and social change. However, community engagement also poses some challenges, such

as ethical, practical, that need to be addressed carefully and respectfully. For Keizer we have a good track record but we can always grow more and learn more as I have heard over the last few months.

I attend number of meeting in our community City Council, Parks Advisory Board, Traffic safety/ Bikeways /Pedestrian committee, Keizer Untied, All the SKATS meetings, WKNA meetings and a few others this is one way I engage in our community. I do this and represent Keizer CDEC for SKATS and the Association for the others. We all gifts and the diversity in our back grounds, and need to be attending community meetings, it does not have to be all the time, but at least every month we all take turns and report back with a monthly reports turned in to Dawn at least 10 days before our meeting if possible as she like to include those in our emails with the meeting materials. We were appointed to serve, and my gifts are different from yours, and we all have those things we have passion for, mine is representing those who need an advocate.

I did attend the SEKNA after our meeting on 3/7/24; I was asked if we could provide more support to the Neighborhood Associations, they need us to take action and helps find ways to engage better in the community so we can grow our Neighborhood meetings. Many said we do a lot of talking but action is what is needed. We need to ask how I can support you in whatever meeting you're attending. They will tell us, just like I need to find ways to get more people for in person meetings. Greater Gubser has the same problem how do we get our communities to engage on a regular basis?

Another way we can make a difference is be the voice for those too afraid to speak for themselves. Keizer is 40 and we are developing processes and leading our community and one way we can do this better is being mindful of those who are struggling. Let's look for way not to increase what people have to pay, and rent increase 14% each year people are being priced out of homes. Another way is to create a side walk program that allows us to bring all the sidewalks to code and provide safety for our community. For this we can use an annual report or semi- annual report for every 6 months check in with City Council and the community to see if we need to add more to what we do. Plus, our meetings are open and people can come in to share feedback as they need or want to.

Agenda
Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS)

Policy Committee (PC)

This meeting is a ‘hybrid’ meeting: Staff and Committee members may choose to attend in person or remotely. The public may also attend in person or via your computer or smartphone (software install is required) or via a phone call. The information to join the meeting:

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Meeting ID: 839 4733 4557

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(or in YouTube, search for “SKATS Salem”)

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Date: Tuesday, March 26, 2024
Time: 12:00 Noon
Place: Hybrid Meeting (100 High St. SE, Suite 200 Salem or Zoom)
Phone: (503) 588 6177
E-mail: mwvcog@mwvcog.org
Website: www.mwvcog.org

- A. Call to Order Cathy Clark
- B. Approval of PC Minutes February 27, 2024 Cathy Clark
- C. Public Comment..... Cathy Clark

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D. Amendments to the SKATS FFY 2024-2029 TIP Steve Dobrinich

Background: The purpose of this agenda item is to review four amendments to the SKATS FFY 2024-29 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). See **attachments** for additional information.

- **Resolution 24-5:** Pedestrian Safety Improvement Crossings (Salem) (Key # 21879): The City of Salem is requesting to add \$500,000 in local overmatch to cover increased cost estimates. Project crossing locations are being updated as well.
- **Resolution 24-6:** Northwest Oregon 2024-2027 ADA Curb Ramp Design, Phase 2 (Key # 23029): ODOT is requesting to transfer \$2,710,000 from the Preliminary Engineering phase of K23029 (funds reserve) to the Preliminary Engineering phase of K22985.
- **Resolution 24-7:** Transit Urban (5310) Formula Program 2023 SKT (Key # 21911): SAMTD is requesting to increase the project allocation listed in the TIP by \$153,698 (\$122,958 Federal; \$30,740 local match) to match the actual apportionment.
- **Resolution 24-8:** Northwest Oregon curve warning upgrades (2027) (Key # 22728): ODOT is requesting to expand the project scope to include locations in the SKATS planning area and add \$821,881 from the All Roads Transportation Safety (ARTS) program to the Preliminary Engineering phase. The project name will be updated to reflect changes.

Action

- Requested:
- (1) Adopt **Resolution 24-5 (attached)** adding \$500,000 in local overmatch to Key # 21879 [Pedestrian Safety Improvement Crossings (Salem)] and updating crossing locations.
 - (2) Adopt **Resolution 24-6 (attached)** transferring \$2,710,000 from Key # 23029 [Northwest Oregon 2024-2027 ADA Curb Ramp Design, Phase 2] to Key # 22985 [Northwest Oregon 2024-2027 ADA curb ramp design, phase 1].
 - (3) Adopt **Resolution 24-7 (attached)** increasing the project allocation listed in the TIP for Key # 21911 [Transit Urban (5310) Formula Program 2023 SKT] by \$153,698 (\$122,958 Federal; \$30,740 local match) to match actual apportionment.
 - (4) Adopt **Resolution 24-8 (attached)** expanding the scope, adding \$821,881 to the Preliminary Engineering phase, and updating the name of Key # 22728 [Northwest Oregon curve warning upgrades (2027)]

E. Chair’s Suggested Motion (MPO Structure)Mike Jaffe

Background: At the February SKATS Policy Committee meeting, staff reviewed the agenda materials, including federal regulations about the composition of MPO boards, and “straw-man” options for member representation and votes on the Policy Committee. There was an extended discussion on this topic by the Policy Committee members.

As described in the memo, for this meeting there is a suggested motion from the SKATS Chair, as follows:

“Motion to direct SKATS staff to prepare an amendment to the SKATS Cooperative Agreement to add the City of Aumsville as a voting member of the SKATS Policy Committee. Also, move that the SKATS Bylaws be amended to align with the Cooperative Agreement upon the final completion of the Cooperative Agreement.”

The wording in the motion intentionally recognizes that the process to amend the Cooperative Agreement will take an unknown number of months to obtain the necessary signatures. (In 2002/2003, it took 11 months to obtain signatures for the amendment to add Turner to the Policy Committee). Changes to the Bylaws to align with the Cooperative Agreement can be done with a 5-day notice of the proposed change and a majority vote on the amendment.

This order of business (i.e. Cooperative Agreement Amendment first, followed by amending the Bylaws at a later date when the Cooperative Agreement Amendment is finalized) will help to assure that the Cooperative Agreement and the Bylaws do not contradict each other regarding Policy Committee membership and voting.

Action

Requested: Introduce the Chair’s motion shown in the background section (above) and follow Robert’s Rules.

F. TIP Modifications Steve Dobrinich

Background: Staff-approved modifications made to the SKATS TIP since the February 2024 Policy Committee meeting are summarized in the **attached** table. PC-approved amendments and adjustments are also included.

Action

Requested: Informational item.

G. Other Business.....SKATS Staff

- OMPOC Summary
- Next Policy Committee Meeting – **April 24, 2024**
- Next TAC Meeting – **April 9, 2024**

H. Adjournment Cathy Clark

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Minutes

Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS)
Policy Committee
February 27, 2024
100 High St. SE, Suite 200
Salem, OR
Noon

This was a hybrid meeting: attendance was online via Zoom & in-person in the MWVCOG Conference room.

Policy Committee Members Present

Anna Henson, ODOT Region 2
Cathy Clark, 2024 Chair, Keizer Mayor
Kevin Cameron, Marion County Board of Commissioners
Lyle Mordhorst, Polk County Board of Commissioners
Maria Hinojos Pressey, Salem-Keizer School District (Zoom)
Sadie Carney, 2024 Vice Chair, SAMTD Board of Directors
Steve Horning, Turner Mayor
Trevor Phillips, Salem City Council (Zoom)

Others Present

Angelica Ceja, Aumsville Mayor
Ashley Bryers, FHWA (Zoom)
Beth Schmidt, Safe Routes to School Coordinator, MWVCOG
Brandon Williams, ODOT Region 2 (Zoom)
Chris Hoy, Salem Mayor
Della Seney, Aumsville City Council
Jacqueline Green, NE Keizer Neighborhood Association (Zoom)
Janelle Shanahan, Marion County Public Works (Zoom)
Julie Hanson, Salem Public Works
Kim Sapunar, MWVCOG-SKATS
Kirsti Pizzuto, Private Citizen (Zoom)
Lani Radtke, Marion County Public Works
Mike Jaffe, MWVCOG-SKATS
Ray Jackson, MWVCOG-SKATS
Sara Duncan, SAMTD Board of Directors
Scott McClure, Turner City Administrator (Zoom)
Shofi Ull-Azum, SAMTD
Steve Dobrinich, MWVCOG-SKATS
Tammy Kunz, Keizer Community Diversity Engagement Committee (Zoom)
Theresa Whisenhunt, MWVCOG-SKATS

Agenda Item A. Call to Order

Chair Cathy Clark called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m. Introductions, in person and online, were made.

Agenda Item B. Approval of Minutes of January 23, 2024

Motion was made by Kevin Cameron, seconded by Anna Henson, to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2024, meeting. Those voting in favor of the motion were Anna Henson, Kevin Cameron, Sadie Carney, Cathy Clark, Steve Horning, Lyle Mordhorst, Trevor Phillips, and Maria Hinojos Pressey. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item C. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Agenda Item D. Amendments to the SKATS FFY 2024-2029 TIP

The purpose of this agenda item is to review three full amendments to the SKATS FFY 2024-29 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).¹ Steve Dobrinich presented the three proposed TIP Amendments.

- **Resolution 24-2: Pringle Creek Path Connection (Salem) (Key # 23504):** Increase total project cost by \$1,553,274 to include local overmatch. Remove Oregon Community Paths funds from the Right of Way phase.

Motion was made by Kevin Cameron, seconded by Trevor Phillips, to adopt Resolution 24-2: Pringle Creek Path Connection as presented. Those voting in favor of the motion were Anna Henson, Kevin Cameron, Sadie Carney, Cathy Clark, Steve Horning, Lyle Mordhorst, Trevor Phillips, and Maria Hinojos Pressey. **The motion passed unanimously.**

- **Resolution 24-3: Oregon Transportation Network – SAMTD FFY22 (Key # 22029):** Increase project estimate by \$402,236 to match FTA grant allocation amount.
- **Resolution 24-4: Transit Urban (5339) Formula Program 2023 SKT (Key # 21912):** Decrease project cost by \$481,105 to match actual apportionment. The funding amount listed is out of date.

Motion was made by Kevin Cameron, seconded by Trevor Phillips, to adopt Resolution 24-3: Oregon Transportation Network, as PRESENTED and Resolution 24-4: Transit Urban as corrected to show project sponsor as Salem Keizer Transit District. Those voting in favor of the

¹ *DRAFT Resolutions 24-2, 24-3, 24-4* & background on the proposed TIP Amendment may be found as Agenda Item D of the packet.

motion were Anna Henson, Kevin Cameron, Sadie Carney, Cathy Clark, Brandon Williams, Steve Horning, Lyle Mordhorst, Trevor Phillips, and Maria Hinojos Pressey. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item E. Discussion on MPO Structure

Transportation Planning Director Mike Jaffe began with a presentation of the memo contents and attachments about MPO Policy Committee representation and amending the SKATS Cooperative Agreement to add the city of Aumsville and/or other changes in membership. Described in the memo are options and examples of various voting structures² used by MPOs in Oregon and outside Oregon, and information on the 2021 change to federal law³ that MPO Boards consider “the equitable and proportional representation of the population of the metropolitan planning area”⁴.

During the presentation Chair Clark clarified that only two documents⁵ require unanimous votes to adopt; otherwise, all other votes are majority rules, as per the SKATS bylaws reliance on Roberts Rules. She stated that in all her time on the committee, she could not recall any vote that was not unanimous. Mr. Jaffe shared the graphic included in the Cooperative Agreement which shows how the Policy Committee can resolve a non-unanimous vote on the MTP or the TIP.⁶

Steve Horning inquired if there are any examples of cities changing their system; starting out with one set of processes in their bylaws and then making a change. Staff did not have any examples, stating that would be difficult to find because it could have been a change to bylaws or a change to cooperative agreements, and most MPOs only have their current set of bylaws available on their websites.

Sadie Carney asked for clarification on whether general-purpose government voting members are required to be elected officials. Mr. Jaffe directed everyone to attachment E of the federal regulations⁷ which state: Transportation Management Area⁸s (TMAs) shall consist of local elected officials, officials of public agencies that administer or operate major modes of transportation in the metropolitan area including providers of public transportation, and appropriate state officials. Federal laws and regulations do not state those precluded; only those required at a minimum.

² Attachment A to the staff memo includes four options for adding a city of Aumsville representative and a second city of Salem representative to the Policy Committee; it also provides options for tiered (weighted) voting, which is used as an option for proportional representation by some MPOs, as described in Attachment C.

³ The changes are presented on page 4 of the Memo in Agenda Item E of the packet.

⁴ An addition USC 134 on the representation of MPO Boards

⁵ Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

⁶ The graphic may be found on page 17 of the Agenda Item E of the packet.

⁷ 23 345.310 (d)

⁸ TMAs are MPO over 200,000 population

Commissioner Cameron shared the current 24-29 SKATS TIP project list with a breakdown of the upcoming projects by jurisdiction and costs and asked that they be included as part of the record⁹. This was the TIP table from the SKATS website. In response to the Commissioner's question about exempt and non-exempt air quality projects in the project list, staff provided answers to his questions. There was discussion regarding types of projects, their distribution by jurisdiction, and an explanation of air quality conformity determinations.¹⁰

Salem Mayor Chris Hoy was asked to attend today's meeting to share his views about increasing the representation for the city of Salem of the SKATS Policy Committee. Mayor Hoy expressed that given the addition of Aumsville, now is an opportunity to take a fresh look at the makeup of this group in terms of voting assignments. He said that it's not about changing an outcome. The city wants the residents of Salem to have the voting power that is due given the size of their population. Mayor Hoy encouraged the Policy Committee to come up with a solution reflective of Salem's much larger population in the MPO.

City of Aumsville Mayor Angelica Ceja asked to share her comments and questions. She described her community as a small rural community of 4,200 residents, 27% of whom are marginalized within the community. They have limited resources and do not have access to some public resources like mass transit and a large school system. Many in Aumsville travel to Salem for work and shopping. The mayor feels that the city of Aumsville's voice will be diminished if Salem is provided additional votes and that there is already strong representation for Salem on the board. The mayor stated it is important to work with regional boards like this, where we're talking about equity versus equality.

There was a discussion by Della Seney and Mayor Ceja about the loss of funding opportunities for Aumsville as they will be considered urbanized and part of the MPO, and may have to wait many years to get a project funded by SKATS. Staff clarified that the next TIP's call for projects will be for the 2027 through 2032 time period. Mr. Jaffe also stated that once Aumsville becomes part of the SKATS MPA planning area, then projects in Aumsville that are on the federal classification roadway system are eligible to be funded in the TIP, dependent on other criteria used to select projects, even if the city wasn't a member of the Policy Committee.

Maria Hinojos Pressey thanked both mayors for their insight. She said that the ask for a facilitated process by the Cherriots Board was to take all the individual thoughts and concerns expressed around the table and reach an agreement that would benefit all of us. She believes the voting structure could use some updating, supports adding Aumsville and, along with a second vote for the city of Salem, is interested in more information regarding rotating representation on the committee. She mentioned that it may be unfair to ask one Salem city councilor to represent such a large demographic area.

⁹ This was the material provided at the January 23, 2024 meeting.

¹⁰ After this question and answer, Commissioner Cameron began speaking about 2024-2029 forecasted projects to add to the record.

Mayor Hoy said Salem doesn't object to adding Aumsville to the committee and agrees that we're better off when we work together. His perspective is that -- just like Mayor Ceja doesn't want the voices of Aumsville to be diminished -- he doesn't want his residents' voices to be diminished and if Aumsville is added without changing the structure Salem will continue to have the same single vote as everybody despite representing 175,000 people. He wants a fair and balanced representation and process.

City of Turner Mayor Steve Horning stated he appreciated everyone's comments and as a group he believes the committee has always been fair and impartial. He said that looking at the money that's been allocated over the years, it feels that Salem's received their proportional share. He agrees that the city of Salem could have more voices at the table (to better represent the population of Salem) by adding three or four seats for the different parts of town but keeping one vote for Salem.

Commissioner Cameron stated that he represents 98.6% of the population being discussed. He has historically worked with all the cities within the MPO and in Marion County to get projects done. He hesitates to change something that has been working and he thinks the MPO should continue with its current structure. He further made the point that SAMTD represents the entire UGB because their routes go to every jurisdiction and the Salem Keizer School District represents the majority of the MPO population; should Cascade School District be added to the MPO, and the school districts have a rotating vote? The Commissioner acknowledged Councilor Phillips's concerns while also stating that he has been a good member, and the structure has been working thus making it hard for him to see a reason to change that.

Director Carney stated we have broad agreement that the existing structure has worked for people in the room, but there are a lot of people who aren't in this room, and believes there should be a more equitable representation in this body. She stated the desire for an inclusive facilitated process that invites the community to participate and voice their opinions.

Mayor Ceja expressed that the people on this committee -- whether paid or unpaid -- are elected officials that represent their communities, and through their elected official their resident's voices are represented at this committee.

Director Carney responded that she agreed with the view that smaller jurisdictions have intimate relationships about their local issues and with the residents in that community. In contrast, Councilor Phillips is challenged to have that same opportunity to represent 175,535 people, and the huge number of roads and intersections in the city of Salem. She's not saying that rural voice matters less but that Salem residents' voices matter as much as the rural residents. Mayor Ceja views the city of Salem as having four invested voices -- the school district, Cherriots, and the city of Salem, and the county - all represented on the MPO committee.

Councilor Phillips noted that the city of Salem has never been opposed to adding Aumsville but asks why the members are opposed to one additional vote for Salem. He pointed out that the city of Salem is equal to 42 'Aumsvilles', 3.4 'unincorporated Marion Countys' or 4.6 'Keizers,' so why can't Salem have one more vote. He noted the new federal emphasis on proportionality. He feels the voting structure should be proportionally based, supports a facilitated process, and is willing to accept the results of that process. He doesn't agree with the view that Cherriots and the school district always side with Salem since neither of them are general purpose governments. He wanted to have some discussions of the options on the straw man list and described his initial thoughts of each one.

Mayor Horning asked if Salem had two votes on the Policy Committee during the last 20 years, what would have been different? Councilor Phillips didn't have a specific "one project" that would have been different, although conversations at the meetings would have been different.

Director Carney stated she was inspired by the information that the staff compiled regarding a more inclusive representation; she feels that the committee would benefit from a greater diversity of voices, whether that be voting or non-voting.

Commissioner Lyle Mordhorst spoke about his representation on the committee; he said he represents roughly 3800 people within the Salem urban growth boundary¹¹ but was elected to represent 92,000 in Polk County. He views Salem as the hub that keeps the whole Willamette Valley moving. He discussed the challenges of travel in the rural areas and the travel that comes from the rural areas into or through the city of Salem. He pointed to the information on SKATS TIP projects¹² that shows the dispersion of monies over the last 25 years; the large proportion of those funds went to the city of Salem or SAMTD. He also commented that the school district is not a required voting member and could be a non-voting member of the SKATS Policy Committee to hear their input. SKATS could give the School District's vote to Aumsville to keep the total number of votes at eight. He said that would not "water down" the vote. He asked the committee if that should be considered.

Mayor Hoy left the meeting at approximately 1:45 pm.

Director Hinojos Pressey said a facilitated process could put all the options like Commissioner Mordhorst's on the table, where a governmental entity like the Salem-Keizer School District could be rotated, or participating in a non-voting capacity, or other options. She commended staff on the history, information, and background provided to the Policy Committee. A facilitated process could put everything on the table and could help potentially come to a very solid agreement.

¹¹ That 3800 represents the population outside the urban growth boundary but inside the Polk County part of SKATS

¹² Produced by SKATS staff and shared at the January 2024 PC meeting.

Chair Clark shared that the city of Keizer's point of view is to get the city of Aumsville on the committee ASAP; that is the number one priority. She doesn't want any harm to come to Aumsville. She agreed that the data on the distribution of funded projects showed most of the allocation of resources has been comprehensive and done with an eye toward full urban upgrades and providing for all modes of travel. She expressed that she represents Keizer's transportation system plan, which represents her entire community. Keizer's priority is to bring Aumsville in as a voting member posthaste.

Councilor Phillips stated that he is prepared to support a motion to officially bring Aumsville on in an ex officio status to be able to make motions and apply for projects. But he's not in a position to bring them onto as a full voting member without the city of Salem's general-purpose government getting an additional vote. He wanted to hear more from staff to assure that Aumsville will be able to apply for projects without delay.

Mr. Jaffe referred to the letter from Ron Harding (Aumsville's City Administrator) and the letter's statement that being part of the urbanized area would make Aumsville ineligible for rural grants. Mr. Jaffe also said that once Aumsville is part of the metropolitan planning area, the city would be eligible to apply for federal funding provided by SKATS through its TIP project selection process.

Commissioner Cameron suggested that we table the discussion so that members and staff could find answers to the funding questions discussed today.

Director Hinojos Pressey left the meeting at 2:00 pm.

Staff reminded the committee that some initial outreach to potential facilitators was done last summer, and if the committee chose to go with a facilitated process, they should discuss how the board would be involved in selecting a facilitator. Chair Clark said her concern is about a process that delays Aumsville's addition to the SKATS Policy Committee.

Mayor Horning made a motion to amend the Cooperative Agreement and SKATS Bylaws to add Aumsville as a voting member identically to what happened to Turner in 2003. It was seconded by Commissioner Mordhorst.

In the discussion that followed, Mayor Horning stated he made the motion as he does not feel there has been previous harm done to the jurisdictions with the current voting structure.

Mr. Jaffe brought up the concern about proper procedures since what was published in the agenda was a discussion of the materials and options [in Attachment A] and not requesting the committee to take an action at this time. He also noted that School Board member Hinojos Pressey needed to leave the meeting before the motion was made. Mayor Clark agreed that

this motion was not published on the agenda and would want to check the SKATS bylaws.¹³ She appreciates the spirit of the motion but agreed with Mr. Jaffe about it not being noticed on the agenda.

Mayor Horning withdrew his motion based on the input from staff, until the next meeting. He said he would like to hear at next month's meeting how any member was harmed by the current process before he would support more votes for a member.

Director Carney stated that not having voices at the table representative of communities subject to decades of disinvestment is an example of harm. She added that transportation planning, and the government as a whole, are not doing a good job of equitably representing the communities that are impacted. The committee had further discussion about whether the facilitated process that has been discussed includes involving community members in that process or if it is a facilitated discussion solely of the members of the Policy Committee. Mr. Jaffe said how a facilitated process is conducted is the Policy Committee's decision, or it could be assigned to a subcommittee as allowed in the Bylaws.¹⁴ He said that this is the committee's process to define. He said that he wouldn't recommend the Policy Committee rush to judgment and that the process for making decisions be clearly communicated before meetings.

Chair Clark summarized that there were two decision points that remain: 1. The straw man options in the memo have been given thought by the members; 2. Doing a facilitated process or not. In her opinion, if the Policy Committee did go through a facilitated process, it should be clearly defined, along with the timeline.

Mr. Jaffe suggested the committee could postpone the two items that we didn't get to¹⁵ which were informational. Mr. Jaffe suggested also that he meet with the chair and vice-chair before the March Policy Committee meeting to discuss what would be on the agenda.

Chair Cathy Clark adjourned the meeting at 2:19 p.m.

¹³ Article V of the SKATS Bylaws state that proposed amendments to the Bylaws require a notice to all members of the committee in writing at least 5 days before the meeting.

¹⁴ Article III.D.

¹⁵ TIP modifications table and the OMPOC Summary.

Agenda Item D

Amendments to the SKATS FFY 2024-2029 TIP

SKATS Policy Committee

March 26, 2024

Action Requested:

(1) Adopt Resolution 24-5 (attached) adding \$500,000 in local overmatch to Key # 21879 [Pedestrian Safety Improvement Crossings (Salem)] and updating crossing locations.

(2) Adopt Resolution 24-6 (attached) transferring \$2,710,000 from Key # 23029 [Northwest Oregon 2024-2027 ADA Curb Ramp Design, Phase 2] to Key # 22985 [Northwest Oregon 2024-2027 ADA curb ramp design, phase 1].

(3) Adopt Resolution 24-7 (attached) increasing the project allocation listed in the TIP for Key # 21911 [Transit Urban (5310) Formula Program 2023 SKT] by \$153,698 (\$122,958 Federal; \$30,740 local match) to match actual apportionment.

(4) Adopt Resolution 24-8 (attached) expanding the scope, adding \$821,881 to the Preliminary Engineering phase, and updating the name of Key # 22728 [Northwest Oregon curve warning upgrades (2027)]

DRAFT Resolution 24-5

**Resolution Amending the Adopted Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS)
FY 2024-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

WHEREAS, the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study Policy Committee has been designated by the State of Oregon as the official Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Salem Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee is authorized by an intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement to adopt and adjust the Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Policy Committee to identify transportation projects for inclusion in the SKATS Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the adopted SKATS Transportation Improvement Program needs to program federal transportation funds being spent in the urbanized area;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE SALEM-KEIZER AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY:

THAT the proposed activities are consistent with the adopted MTP and affected local plans;

THAT the proposed amendment is consistent with the financial constraint provisions of federal requirements;

THAT the proposed amendment does not negatively impact regional air quality emissions;

THAT the project will help achieve the Oregon Department of Transportation performance measure targets;

THAT the proposed changes to the TIP are consistent with the management process established in the adopted TIP; and

THAT \$500,000 of city local funds be added to Project Key Number 21879 [Pedestrian Safety Improve Crossings (Salem)] to cover increased cost estimates and project crossing locations be updated to match work plan.

ADOPTED by the Policy Committee of the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study on the 26th day of March 2024.

Chair Cathy Clark
Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study
Policy Committee

DRAFT Resolution 24-6

**Resolution Amending the Adopted Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS)
FY 2024-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

WHEREAS, the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study Policy Committee has been designated by the State of Oregon as the official Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Salem Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee is authorized by an intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement to adopt and adjust the Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Policy Committee to identify transportation projects for inclusion in the SKATS Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the adopted SKATS Transportation Improvement Program needs to program federal transportation funds being spent in the urbanized area;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE SALEM-KEIZER AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY:

THAT the proposed activities are consistent with the adopted MTP and affected local plans;

THAT the proposed amendment is consistent with the financial constraint provisions of federal requirements;

THAT the proposed amendment does not negatively impact regional air quality emissions;

THAT the project will help achieve the Oregon Department of Transportation performance measure targets;

THAT the proposed changes to the TIP are consistent with the management process established in the adopted TIP; and

THAT \$2,710,000 be transferred from the Preliminary Engineering phase of K23029 [Northwest Oregon 2024-2027 ADA curb ramp design, phase 2] to the Preliminary Engineering phase of K22985 [Northwest Oregon 2024-2027 ADA curb ramp design, phase 1].

ADOPTED by the Policy Committee of the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study on the 26th day of March 2024.

Chair Cathy Clark
Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study
Policy Committee

DRAFT Resolution 24-7

**Resolution Amending the Adopted Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS)
FY 2024-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

WHEREAS, the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study Policy Committee has been designated by the State of Oregon as the official Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Salem Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee is authorized by an intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement to adopt and adjust the Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Policy Committee to identify transportation projects for inclusion in the SKATS Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the adopted SKATS Transportation Improvement Program needs to program federal transportation funds being spent in the urbanized area;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE SALEM-KEIZER AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY:

THAT the proposed activities are consistent with the adopted MTP and affected local plans;

THAT the proposed amendment is consistent with the financial constraint provisions of federal requirements;

THAT the proposed amendment does not negatively impact regional air quality emissions;

THAT the project will help achieve the Oregon Department of Transportation performance measure targets;

THAT the proposed changes to the TIP are consistent with the management process established in the adopted TIP; and

THAT the project allocation listed in the TIP for K21911 [Transit Urban (5310) Formula Program 2023 SKT] be increased by \$153,698 (\$122,958 Federal; \$30,740 local match) to match actual apportionment.

ADOPTED by the Policy Committee of the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study on the 26th day of March 2024.

Chair Cathy Clark
Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study
Policy Committee

DRAFT Resolution 24-8

**Resolution Amending the Adopted Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS)
FY 2024-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

WHEREAS, the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study Policy Committee has been designated by the State of Oregon as the official Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Salem Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee is authorized by an intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement to adopt and adjust the Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Policy Committee to identify transportation projects for inclusion in the SKATS Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the adopted SKATS Transportation Improvement Program needs to program federal transportation funds being spent in the urbanized area;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE SALEM-KEIZER AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY:

THAT the proposed activities are consistent with the adopted MTP and affected local plans;

THAT the proposed amendment is consistent with the financial constraint provisions of federal requirements;

THAT the proposed amendment does not negatively impact regional air quality emissions;

THAT the project will help achieve the Oregon Department of Transportation performance measure targets;

THAT the proposed changes to the TIP are consistent with the management process established in the adopted TIP; and

THAT the scope of K22728 [Northwest Oregon curve warning upgrades (2027)] be expanded to include locations in the SKATS planning area, \$821,881 be added to the Preliminary Engineering phase, and the project name be updated.

ADOPTED by the Policy Committee of the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study on the 26th day of March 2024.

Chair Cathy Clark
Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study
Policy Committee

SKATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Public Notification of Pending Amendment



Proposed TIP Amendment

Project Name: Pedestrian Safety Improved Crossings (Salem)

The public review period for this project is March 12, 2024 through noon on March 26, 2024.

As a Formal Amendment to the TIP, additional details about the project will be presented to the SKATS Policy Committee for approval at noon on **March 26, 2024**, at 100 High Street SE, Suite 200, Salem, OR (*hybrid meeting with virtual option available*).

Comments or concerns about this amendment should be submitted to Steve Dobrinich, via email at sdobrinich@mwvcog.org

This amendment may be revised to address comments received during the public comment period. The most recently amended TIP is available at the MWVCOG website at: <https://www.mwvcog.org/transportation/page/transportation-improvement-program>

Project Amendment Details

Amendment No.	24-5				
Project KN:	21879	Project Sponsor:	Salem	Total Project Cost:	\$1,900,000
Project Name:	Pedestrian Safety Improved Crossings (Salem)				
Purpose of amendment: Add \$500,000 in local overmatch to cover increased cost estimates. Update project locations to match where work will be taking place.					
Project Description: Installation of enhanced pedestrian crossings at the following locations: River Rd. N at Riviera Dr. NE, Lancaster Dr. NE at Weathers St. NE, and State St. at 21st St. SE					

SKATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Public Notification of Pending Amendment



Project information before amendment:

Name: Pedestrian Safety Improved Crossings (Salem)						Key: 21879	
Description: Installation of enhanced pedestrian crossings at the following locations: River Rd. N at River Road City Park, Lancaster Dr. NE at Weathers St. NE, and State St. in the vicinity of 19th St. SE and State St. @ 21st St. SE to increase safety.							Region: 2
MPO: Salem/Keizer Area MPO			Air Quality Status: Exempt		Work Type: BIKPED		
Applicant: CITY OF SALEM					Status: PROJECT SCHEDULED FOR CONSTRUCTION		
Location(s)-							
Mileposts	Length	Route	Highway			ACT	County(s)
						MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT	MARION
						MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT	MARION
						MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT	MARION
Current Project Estimate							
	Planning	Prelim. Engineering	Right of Way	Utility Relocation	Construction	Other	Project Total
Year		2021	2024		2025		
Total		\$260,000	\$65,000		\$1,075,000		\$1,400,000
Fund 1		STBG-U \$233,298	STBG-U \$58,325		STBG-U \$218,260		\$509,883
Match		\$26,702	\$6,676		\$24,981		\$58,359
Fund 2					TA-U \$717,801		\$717,801
Match					\$82,156		\$82,156
Fund 3					Local \$31,802		\$31,802
Match							
Footnote: MPO funds limited to \$1,227,684							
Most Recent Approved Amendment							
Amendment No:	23-AA43		MTIP Approval Date:	10/4/2023		STIP Approval Date:	10/13/2023
Requested Action:	Slip the construction phase to 2025. ROW was slipped to 2024 earlier this year, construction is being slipped to match updated timeline.						
Amendment No:	23-AA3		MTIP Approval Date:	2/21/2023		STIP Approval Date:	2/24/2023
Requested Action:	Slip right of way phase to 2024.						
Amendment No:	22-17		MTIP Approval Date:	10/26/2022		STIP Approval Date:	10/28/2022
Requested Action:	Update the description to remove two crossings from the scope of the project to stay within budget.						

SKATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Public Notification of Pending Amendment



Project information after amendment:

Name: Pedestrian Safety Improved Crossings (Salem)							Key: 21879			
Description: Installation of enhanced pedestrian crossings at the following locations: River Rd. N at Riviera Dr. NE, Lancaster Dr. NE at Weathers St. NE, and State St. at 21st St. SE							Region: 2			
MPO: Salem/Keizer Area MPO			Air Quality Status: Exempt		Work Type: BIKPED					
Applicant: CITY OF SALEM					Status: PROJECT SCHEDULED FOR CONSTRUCTION					
Location(s)-										
Mileposts	Length	Route	Highway		ACT	County(s)				
					MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT	MARION				
					MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT	MARION				
					MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT	MARION				
Current Project Estimate										
	Planning	Prelim. Engineering		Right of Way		Utility Relocation	Construction	Other	Project Total	
Year		2021		2024			2025			
Total			\$450,000		\$165,000		\$1,285,000		\$1,900,000	
Fund 1		STBG-U	\$233,298	STBG-U	\$58,325		STBG-U	\$218,260	\$509,883	
Match			\$26,702		\$6,676			\$24,981	\$58,359	
Fund 2							TA-U	\$717,801	\$717,801	
Match								\$82,156	\$82,156	
Fund 3		Local	\$190,000	Local	\$100,000		Local	\$241,802	\$531,802	
Match										
Footnote:		MPO funds limited to \$1,227,684								
Most Recent Approved Amendment										
Amendment No:	24-5				MTIP Approval Date:				STIP Approval Date:	
Requested Action:	Add \$500,000 in local overmatch to cover increased cost estimates. Update project locations to match where work will be taking place.									
Amendment No:	23-AA43				MTIP Approval Date:		10/4/2023		STIP Approval Date: 10/13/2023	
Requested Action:	Slip the construction phase to 2025. ROW was slipped to 2024 earlier this year, construction is being slipped to match updated timeline.									
Amendment No:	23-AA3				MTIP Approval Date:		2/21/2023		STIP Approval Date: 2/24/2023	
Requested Action:	Slip right of way phase to 2024.									
Amendment No:	22-17				MTIP Approval Date:		10/26/2022		STIP Approval Date: 10/28/2022	
Requested Action:	Update the description to remove two crossings from the scope of the project to stay within budget.									

SKATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Public Notification of Pending Amendment



Proposed TIP Amendment

Project Name: Northwest Oregon 2024-2027 ADA curb ramp design, phase 1 & phase 2

The public review period for this project is March 12, 2024 through noon on March 26, 2024.

As a Formal Amendment to the TIP, additional details about the project will be presented to the SKATS Policy Committee for approval at noon on **March 26, 2024**, at 100 High Street SE, Suite 200, Salem, OR (*hybrid meeting with virtual option available*).

Comments or concerns about this amendment should be submitted to Steve Dobrinich, via email at sdobrinich@mwvcog.org

This amendment may be revised to address comments received during the public comment period. The most recently amended TIP is available at the MWVCOG website at: <https://www.mwvcog.org/transportation/page/transportation-improvement-program>

Project Amendment Details

Amendment No.	24-6						
Project KN:	23029	Project Sponsor:	ODOT	Proj. Cost Before:	\$10,710,000	Proj. Cost After:	\$8,000,000
Project KN:	22985	Project Sponsor:	ODOT	Proj. Cost Before:	\$22,000,000	Proj. Cost After:	\$24,710,000
Project Name:	Northwest Oregon 2024-2027 ADA curb ramp design, phase 1 and phase 2						
Purpose of amendment: Transfer \$2,710,000 from the Preliminary Engineering phase of <u>K23029</u> (funds reserve) to the Preliminary Engineering phase of <u>K22985</u> .							
Project Description: Design for future construction of curb ramps to meet compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.							

SKATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Public Notification of Pending Amendment



Project information before amendment:

Name: Northwest Oregon 2024-2027 ADA curb ramp design, phase 2						Key: 23029	
Description: Design for future construction of curb ramps to meet compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.						Region: 2	
MPO: Salem/Keizer Area MPO, Central Lane, CAMPO		Air Quality Status:		Work Type: ADAP			
Applicant: ODOT		Exempt		Status: Final Plan			
Location(s)-							
Mileposts	Length	Route	Highway	ACT	County(s)		
		Various	VARIOUS HIGHWAYS	MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT	VARIOUS		
Current Project Estimate							
	Planning	Prelim. Engineering	Right of Way	Utility Relocation	Construction	Other	Project Total
Year	2024						
Total		\$10,710,000					\$10,710,000
Fund 1		ACP0 \$10,710,000					\$10,710,000
Match							
Footnote:							
Most Recent Approved Amendment							
Amendment No:		MTIP Approval Date:		STIP Approval Date:			
Requested Action:							

Project information after amendment:

Name: Northwest Oregon 2024-2027 ADA curb ramp design, phase 2						Key: 23029	
Description: Design for future construction of curb ramps to meet compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.						Region: 2	
MPO: Salem/Keizer Area MPO, Central Lane, CAMPO		Air Quality Status:		Work Type: ADAP			
Applicant: ODOT		Exempt		Status: Final Plan			
Location(s)-							
Mileposts	Length	Route	Highway	ACT	County(s)		
		Various	VARIOUS HIGHWAYS	MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT	VARIOUS		
Current Project Estimate							
	Planning	Prelim. Engineering	Right of Way	Utility Relocation	Construction	Other	Project Total
Year	2024						
Total		\$8,000,000					\$8,000,000
Fund 1		ACP0 \$8,000,000					\$8,000,000
Match							
Footnote:							
Most Recent Approved Amendment							
Amendment No: 24-6		MTIP Approval Date: 3/26/2024		STIP Approval Date:			
Requested Action:		Transfer \$2,710,000 from the Preliminary Engineering phase of K23029 (funds reserve) to the Preliminary Engineering phase of K22985.					

SKATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Public Notification of Pending Amendment



Proposed TIP Amendment

Project Name: Pedestrian Safety Improved Crossings (Salem)

The public review period for this project is March 12, 2024 through noon on March 26, 2024.

As a Formal Amendment to the TIP, additional details about the project will be presented to the SKATS Policy Committee for approval at noon on **March 26, 2024**, at 100 High Street SE, Suite 200, Salem, OR (*hybrid meeting with virtual option available*).

Comments or concerns about this amendment should be submitted to Steve Dobrinich, via email at sdobrinich@mwvcog.org

This amendment may be revised to address comments received during the public comment period. The most recently amended TIP is available at the MWVCOG website at: <https://www.mwvcog.org/transportation/page/transportation-improvement-program>

Project Amendment Details

Amendment No.	24-7				
Project KN:	21911	Project Sponsor:	SAMTD	Total Project Cost:	\$471,198
Project Name:	Transit Urban (5310) Formula Program 2023 SKT				
Purpose of amendment: Increase the project allocation listed in the TIP by \$153,698 (\$122,958 Federal; \$30,740 local match) to match actual apportionment.					
Project Description: Allocation used for Transit Enhanced Mobility to provide options for seniors and individuals with disabilities.					

SKATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Public Notification of Pending Amendment



Project information before amendment:

Name: Transit Urban (5310) Formula Program 2023 SKT							Key: 21911	
Description: Allocation used for Transit Enhanced Mobility to provide options for seniors and individuals with disabilities.								Region: 2
MPO: Salem/Keizer Area MPO		Air Quality Status: Exempt		Work Type: TRANST				
Applicant: SALEM-KEIZER TRANSIT DISTRICT		Exempt		Status: NON-CONSTRUCTION PROJECT				
Location(s)-								
Mileposts	Length	Route	Highway	ACT		County(s)		
				MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT		MARION		
Current Project Estimate								
	Planning	Prelim. Engineering	Right of Way	Utility Relocation	Construction	Other	Project Total	
Year						2024		
Total						\$317,500	\$317,500	
Fund 1						5310	\$254,000	\$254,000
Match							\$63,500	\$63,500
Footnote:								
Most Recent Approved Amendment								
Amendment No: 23-AA36		MTIP Approval Date: 9/14/2023		STIP Approval Date: 9/18/2023				
Requested Action: Slip OTH phase to FFY24.								

Project information after amendment:

Name: Transit Urban (5310) Formula Program 2023 SKT							Key: 21911	
Description: Allocation used for Transit Enhanced Mobility to provide options for seniors and individuals with disabilities.								Region: 2
MPO: Salem/Keizer Area MPO		Air Quality Status: Exempt		Work Type: TRANST				
Applicant: SALEM-KEIZER TRANSIT DISTRICT		Exempt		Status: NON-CONSTRUCTION PROJECT				
Location(s)-								
Mileposts	Length	Route	Highway	ACT		County(s)		
				MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT		MARION		
Current Project Estimate								
	Planning	Prelim. Engineering	Right of Way	Utility Relocation	Construction	Other	Project Total	
Year						2024		
Total						\$471,198	\$471,198	
Fund 1						5310	\$376,958	\$376,958
Match							\$94,240	\$94,240
Footnote:								
Most Recent Approved Amendment								
Amendment No: 24-7		MTIP Approval Date:		STIP Approval Date:				
Requested Action: Increase the project allocation listed in the TIP by \$153,698 (\$122,958 Federal; \$30,740 local match) to match actual apportionment.								
Amendment No: 23-AA36		MTIP Approval Date: 9/14/2023		STIP Approval Date: 9/18/2023				
Requested Action: Slip OTH phase to FFY24.								

SKATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Public Notification of Pending Amendment



Proposed TIP Amendment

Project Name: Northwest Oregon curve warning upgrades (2027)

The public review period for this project is March 13, 2024 through noon on March 26, 2024.

As a Formal Amendment to the TIP, additional details about the project will be presented to the SKATS Policy Committee for approval at noon on **March 26, 2024**, at 100 High Street SE, Suite 200, Salem, OR (*hybrid meeting with virtual option available*).

Comments or concerns about this amendment should be submitted to Steve Dobrinich, via email at sdobrinich@mwvcog.org

This amendment may be revised to address comments received during the public comment period. The most recently amended TIP is available at the MWVCOG website at: <https://www.mwvcog.org/transportation/page/transportation-improvement-program>

Project Amendment Details

Amendment No.	24-8				
Project KN:	22728	Project Sponsor:	ODOT	Total Project Cost:	\$1,351,310
Project Name:	Northwest Oregon curve warning upgrades (2027)				
Purpose of amendment: Expand project scope to include locations in the SKATS planning area and add \$821,881 from the All Roads Transportation Safety (ARTS) program to the Preliminary Engineering phase. Update project name to reflect changes.					
Project Description: Complete design to install warning signs at curves on various highway segments to aid in reducing vehicle collisions.					

SKATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Public Notification of Pending Amendment



Project information before amendment:

Name: Curve warning upgrades (Clatsop, Lincoln & Polk Counties)				Key: 22728			
Description: Complete design to install warning signs at curves on the following highway segments to aid in reducing vehicle collisions.							Region: 2
MPO: Non-MPO			Work Type: SAFETY				
Applicant: ODOT			Status: PROJECT FUNDED THROUGH FINAL PLANS				
Location(s)-							
Mileposts	Length	Route	Highway	ACT	County(s)		
		Various	VARIOUS HIGHWAYS	CASCADES WEST ACT	VARIOUS		
		Various	VARIOUS HIGHWAYS	MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT	VARIOUS		
		Various	VARIOUS HIGHWAYS	NORTH WEST OREGON ACT	VARIOUS		
Current Project Estimate							
	Planning	Prelim. Engineering	Right of Way	Utility Relocation	Construction	Other	Project Total
Year		2024					
Total		\$529,423.00					\$529,423.00
Fund 1		YS30 \$529,423.00					
Match							
Footnote:							

Project information after amendment:

Name: Northwest Oregon curve warning upgrades (2027)				Key: 22728			
Description: Complete design to install warning signs at curves on various highway segments to aid in reducing vehicle collisions.							Region: 2
MPO: Salem/Keizer Area MPO			Air Quality Status:		Work Type: SAFETY		
Applicant: ODOT			Exempt		Status: Final Plan		
Location(s)-							
Mileposts	Length	Route	Highway	ACT	County(s)		
		Various	VARIOUS HIGHWAYS	CASCADES WEST ACT	VARIOUS		
		Various	VARIOUS HIGHWAYS	MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACT	VARIOUS		
		Various	VARIOUS HIGHWAYS	NORTHWEST OREGON ACT	VARIOUS		
Current Project Estimate							
	Planning	Prelim. Engineering	Right of Way	Utility Relocation	Construction	Other	Project Total
Year		2024					
Total		\$1,351,310					\$1,351,310
Fund 1		HSIP \$529,423					\$529,423
Match							
Fund 1		STBG \$821,887					\$821,887
Match							
Footnote:							
Most Recent Approved Amendment							
Amendment No: 24-8		MTIP Approval Date:		STIP Approval Date:			
Requested Action:		Expand project scope to include locations in the SKATS planning area and add \$821,881 from the All Roads Transportation Safety (ARTS) program to the Preliminary Engineering phase. Update project name to reflect changes.					

Agenda Item E

Chair's Suggested Motion (MPO Structure)

SKATS Policy Committee

March 26, 2024

Action Requested:

Introduce the Chair's motion shown in the background section (above) and follow Robert's Rules.



Memorandum

Date: March 19, 2024
To: SKATS Policy Committee
From: Mike Jaffe, Transportation Planning Director
Re: Process for Amending the SKATS Cooperative Agreement and Bylaws

Introduction

This is a continuation of the topic discussed in February. Chair Clark is submitting a suggested motion for SKATS' Policy Committee's consideration. The purpose of the motion is to have staff draft an amendment to the SKATS Cooperative Agreement, adding Aumsville as a voting member. The second part of the motion is to change the SKATS Bylaws once the Cooperative Agreement is finalized. The chair's suggested motion is:

“Motion to direct SKATS staff to prepare an amendment to the SKATS Cooperative Agreement to add the City of Aumsville as a voting member of the SKATS Policy Committee. Also, move that the SKATS Bylaws be amended to align with the Cooperative Agreement upon the final completion of the Cooperative Agreement.”

Background

The February SKATS Policy Committee meeting packet included a staff memo plus several attachments. The memo, attachments, and staff presentation discussed the existing SKATS Cooperative Agreement and Bylaws, current federal regulations about MPO Board composition, the 2021 update to federal law on MPO board composition, a scheduled notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) that may have more information on the change to the federal law, minutes from the August 2023 PC meeting minutes on MPO composition, and multiple examples of voting membership of other MPOs in Oregon and in other states. Attachment A of the packet included five options for adding Policy Committee members to represent the city of Aumsville and/or the city of Salem. Staff weren't able to fully present these “strawman” options at the January meeting and there was limited discussion of them at the meeting.

Toward the end of the meeting, there was a motion proposed by Mayor Horning to change the Cooperative Agreement and the SKATS Policy Committee bylaws to add the city of Aumsville, with no other changes. After committee discussion and comments by staff, the chair agreed that the motion was improper because a vote to change either the bylaws or the Cooperative Agreement was not noticed in the agenda materials. (The Action Requested for the February agenda item was "Discussion of the materials and the options presented in Attachment A.") It should have been noted at the time that Article V of the Bylaws prescribes the process for amending the Bylaws (see below). Lastly, amending the Cooperative Agreement is a different and longer process than amending the Bylaws, as described in this memo.

Amendments(s) to the SKATS Policy Committee Bylaws

The accepted process for amending the SKATS bylaws is specified in Article V of the bylaws themselves, as shown in the box below.

[From SKATS Bylaws, adopted 11/25/03]

Article V

Amendments To The Bylaws

The Bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the SKATS Policy Committee, provided that written notice of, and the proposed amendment is mailed to each member of the committee not less than five days prior to such meeting.

Amendments to the SKATS Cooperative Agreement

Amending the SKATS Cooperative Agreement is a very different process from amending the Bylaws. The Cooperative Agreement (or an Amendment to it) is **not** adopted by a unanimous or majority vote at a Policy Committee meeting. An Amendment to the existing Cooperative Agreements (or a revised Cooperative Amendment) requires the signatures of the appropriate Parties of the agreement. The Policy Committee can spend time at their meeting to discuss and develop the text of the proposed amendment and make a motion to forward the amendment to the appropriate Parties. Once the text of the amendment is approved, the Amendment is sent to the parties for their review and requested signature.

For comparison, in 2002 there were several months of discussion in preparation of Amendment #1 to the Cooperative Agreement, whose purpose was to add the city of Turner to the SKATS Policy Committee. After drafting an amendment and circulating it to the local jurisdictions in November 2002, it took about 11 months to gather all the necessary signatures. See **attached** Timeline for details.

Staff Recommendations

1. Proceed with the Chair's suggested motion (see memo's Introduction Section)
2. Because of the unknown amount of time it may take to finalize an amendment, staff highly recommended that changes to the Bylaws wait until the Cooperative Agreement has completed its process. By waiting, we can finalize both the Cooperative Agreement and the Bylaws within a month of each other, so that the two documents do not contradict each other regarding the membership and voting structure of the Policy Committee.
3. Direct staff and subcommittee to work on other recommended changes to the SKATS Bylaws, with a formal recommendation to the Policy Committee at a future date.

Attachments

- A. Options for SKATS membership and voting (from February 2024 PC agenda packet)
- B. SKATS 1987 Cooperative Agreement and 2003 Amendment
 - B.1 SKATS 2003 Bylaws (Amended 11/25/2003)
 - B.2 2003 Memo to Policy Committee about omitting Salem-Keizer Schools as a signatory to the 1987 Cooperative Agreement
- C. Slides on MPO Structure (from February 2024 PC agenda packet)
- D. Letter (March 14, 2024) from Ron Harding (City of Aumsville) on rural grant opportunities
- E.1 FHWA email about IIJA addition of equitable and proportionate representation - added provision to federal law for MPO Boards
- E.2 Current Federal Regulations (23 CFR 450.310) with highlights on MPO designation and redesignation; and the 2021 update to federal law to add considerations for equitable and proportionate representation of MPO Boards.

Timeline of Amending the SKATS Cooperative Agreement to Add Turner in 2002-2003

20240312. Revised 20240313, 20240318

Timeline based on meeting packets and memos of PC and TAC meetings in 2002 and 2003

- May 1, 2002, the US Census Bureau published in the Federal Register that the Salem Urbanized Area now included the city of Turner.
- At the May 2002 Policy Committee meeting, staff introduced the TMA concept and the need for 'incorporating Turner into the SKATS process and products.'
 - o A letter was sent (dated May 21, 2002) to the city of Turner introducing SKATS and asking for participation.
- At the June 17, 2002, PC meeting it was mentioned that the city of Turner responded with the representatives to the PC. It was noted that the PC '...will need to review the issues related to the roles of the city of Turner in the regional planning process.'
- At the November 12, 2002, TAC meeting, a draft amendment to the Cooperative Agreement was presented and discussed. Items discussed include:
 - o Whether to include language on the level of financial support that the city of Turner should provide. The TAC decided to defer the financial support discussion to a future meeting.
 - o The recommendation was to add Turner to Section C of the Cooperative Agreement but not to make changes in Section E (on the RTSP and TIP adoption process).
 - o It was mentioned that if the local jurisdictions adopt the amendment, the PC will review and amend the PC bylaws and the TAC bylaws.
 - o Motion to forward the draft to the PC passed unanimously.
- At the November 26, 2002, PC meeting a draft amendment to the Cooperative Agreement was presented and discussed.
 - o The draft amendment was discussed and then a motion was made to release the draft Cooperative Agreement to the local jurisdictions for approval. Unanimous approval.
- In the February 18, 2003, PC packet (but deferred and presented at the March 25, 2003, meeting) there was discussion about whether to add the Salem-Keizer School District as a signatory to Amendment #1. (Note: The School District was deliberately omitted as a signatory for the original 1987 Cooperative Agreement.) After discussion, a motion was made to retain the draft Cooperative Agreement Amendment #1 as is [i.e., not include the School District as a signatory to Amendment #1 but retain them as a member of the Policy Committee]. Motion passed unanimously.
- May 2003 to August 2003: Signatures of the SKATS members to Amendment #1 obtained

- September/October 2003: Signatures of Oregon Assistant Attorney General (9/30/2003) and ODOT Deputy Director (10/6/03) obtained
- November 25, 2003: amending the Bylaws to add Turner was discussed and completed.

In summary, it took seven months (May to November 2002) of discussion by the Policy Committee to prepare draft Amendment #1 to the Cooperative Amendment, with additional discussion in March 2003. Amendment #1 was circulated to the local governments for signatures, with signatures obtained from May to August of 2003. The MWVCOG Executive Director signed in early September 2003. Signatures from ODOT were obtained in late September and early October of 2003. **It took 11 months from the release of Amendment #1 (in November 2002) to the fully signed completed Amendment #1 (in October 2003).**

Options for adding Aumsville and adding representation for Salem to the SKATS Policy Committee
For Discussion Purposes
February 20, 2024

1. Add Aumsville; no other changes

- a. City of Aumsville is added to the SKATS PC.
- b. Every member gets one vote.
- c. Total regular voting members = 9

2. Add Aumsville; add second voting member for Salem

- a. City of Aumsville is added to the SKATS PC.
- b. A second Salem member is added to the PC, and both are voting members.
- c. Total regular voting members = 10

3. Add Aumsville; add non-voting member for Salem; Salem can call for a second voting member (if that motion receives 50% or more support).

- a. City of Aumsville is added to the SKATS PC.
- b. A second Salem member is added to the PC, but the second Salem member is non-voting.
- c. Total regular-voting members = 9. 1 non-voting member for Salem.
- d. Before any vote on an action by the Policy Committee, Salem can make a motion that both Salem members get to vote on that action item. The motion for both Salem members voting on the action item must be passed by 50% or more of the regular-voting members in attendance at the meeting; if the motion passes, the action item is tabled to the next meeting when Salem can have two votes on that action.

4. Add Aumsville; add non-voting member for Salem; review the Cooperative Agreement in the future to add second voting member for Salem.

- a. City of Aumsville is added to the SKATS PC.
- b. A second Salem member is added to the PC, but the second Salem member is non-voting
- c. Total regular voting members = 9. 1 non-voting member for Salem.
- d. Two options in the future:
 - i. The Cooperative Agreement will be reviewed in 5 years (i.e. 2019) to re-visit adding a second regular-voting member for Salem; or
 - ii. If after the 2030 Census one or more additional jurisdictions are added to the Salem urban area, the Cooperative Agreement will be updated to also add at least one more City of Salem regular-voting member on the Policy Committee.

5. Add Aumsville; create a tiered-voting option when two jurisdictions support this.

- a. City of Aumsville is added to the SKATS PC.
- b. Salem representation could be any of the options #2, #3, or #4 above.
- c. Regular-voting is the default method used for action items. A tiered-voting option is created. Tiered-voting for an action item can be requested (either *before any action item vote* or *immediately after* a regular vote on an action item) and must be supported by any two voting members from different representative entities. If that occurs, the item is tabled to the next meeting of the Policy Committee when tiered-voting will be used for that specific action item.
- d. Draft table of regular-voting and four different options for tiered-votes (shown as a starting point for further discussion)

Member	Regular votes	Tier (Weighted) Votes				
		Option A	Option B	Option C (population based)	Option D (modified population based)	Option E Tbd
City of Salem	1 or 2	4	6	48	13	
City of Keizer	1	2	3	10	4	
Marion County	1	2	4	13	5	
Polk County	1	1	1	2	2	
City of Turner	1	1	1	1	1	
City of Aumsville	1	1	1	2	2	
SAMTD	1	1	2	2	3	
SK School District	1	1	1	1	1	
ODOT	1	1	1	1	1	
Total votes	9 or 10 Half = 4.5 or 5	14 Half = 7	20 Half = 10	80 Half = 40	32 Half = 16	
Salem’s share of total votes	11% or 20%	29%	30%	60%	41%	

Table 1: SKATS Discretionary Funds by Jurisdiction (Populatio

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Salem Area Mass Transit District	--	--
Region-wide projects	--	--
ODOT	--	--
Total SKATS Area	271,737	100%

* Functional Classification of Major Collector and higher, excluding ODOT

Attachment B

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR COOPERATIVELY
CARRYING OUT TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this 6th day of April 1987 by and between the State of Oregon by and through its Department of Transportation, hereinafter called "STATE", Mid Willamette Valley Council of Governments, hereinafter called "COG", City of Salem, hereinafter called "SALEM", City of Keizer, hereinafter called "KEIZER", Marion County and Polk County, hereinafter called "MARION" and "POLK", and the Salem Area Transit District, hereinafter called "DISTRICT" all of which are referred to collectively as "PARTIES".

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the Highway Act of 1973 set forth requirements for Transportation Planning and provided funds for this purpose to Metropolitan Areas of 50,000 population or more to carry out a continuous, comprehensive and cooperative (3C) transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, STATE, COG, SALEM, KEIZER, MARION, POLK and TRANSIT DISTRICT participate in the "3C" process in the Salem/Keizer Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, the PARTIES desire to update, clarify, and streamline the process;

NOW, THEREFORE, the PARTIES hereto do mutually agree as follows:

Section A. The COG will provide administrative services and, along with STATE, carry out the technical responsibilities for the transportation planning process.

Section B. The Council of Governments shall retain the sole responsibility for acceptance of all contracts, grants and gifts for transportation planning in the Salem area, and all fiscal and financial responsibility therefore. The Director of the COG shall select and supervise the transportation planning coordinator and staff assigned to the transportation planning process.

Section C. The Salem Area Transportation Study (SATS) Coordinating Committee will be renamed the Salem/Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS) Policy Committee. Voting membership on the SKATS Policy Committee shall consist of:

1. One member, Marion County Board of Commissioners
2. One member, Polk County Board of Commissioners
3. One member, City of Salem City Council
4. One member, City of Keizer City Council
5. One member, Salem Area Mass Transit District Board of Directors
6. One member, Oregon Department of Transportation
7. One member, School District 24J Board

Section D. The SKATS Policy Committee is responsible for developing Bylaws, operating procedures, transportation plans, transportation improvement programs, and work programs, and to take other actions necessary to carry out the transportation planning process.

Section E. The SKATS Policy Committee shall use the following process in adopting the Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program:

- 1) If the Policy Committee approves the document with a unanimous vote of the Policy Committee members attending a meeting as described in Section F., then the document is adopted.
- 2) If the Policy Committee approves the document with less than a unanimous vote (as described in Section F.) then the document shall be referred to the governing bodies of Marion, Polk, Salem, Keizer, and the District for endorsement. All five jurisdictions must endorse the document for it to be considered adopted. If all five jurisdictions do not endorse the document, they shall individually or through the Policy Committee develop a mutually acceptable proposal which will then be adopted in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Section.

A graphic representation of this adoption process is presented in Attachment A.

Section F. The unanimous vote of the Policy Committee members required in Section E. shall meet the following requirements:

- 1) All of the members in attendance must vote in favor of the action.
- 2) All of the members must have been notified of the meeting time, date, and place.

- 3) All of the members must have been notified that the issue was on the meeting agenda prior to the meeting.

Section G. The SKATS Policy Committee has the authority to take final action on all other matters pertaining to the transportation planning process.

Section H. Transportation Planning documents such as the Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program which have been prepared, adopted, and are currently in effect, will remain in effect until the SKATS Policy Committee adopts new, updated, or revised versions of the documents.

Section I. The SKATS Policy Committee shall review this agreement on or before January, 1992 and every five years thereafter and recommend revisions as desired to the PARTIES. This agreement will remain in effect until revised or replaced by the PARTIES.

Section J. This Agreement supersedes all previous agreements among the respective parties covering the same subject, particularly the Agreement of October 30, 1980 among the State, COG, Salem, Marion, Polk and District; and the October 14, 1980 Joint Resolution between COG and the SATS Coordinating Committee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, STATE, COG, SALEM, KEIZER, MARION, POLK and DISTRICT have caused this Agreement to be executed in their respective names by their authorized representatives as of the day set out above.

This Agreement was approved by the Oregon Transportation Commission on March 20, 1987, at which time the Director, Oregon Department of Transportation, was authorized and directed to sign said Agreement for and on behalf of the Commission. Said authority is set forth in Volume 14, Page _____, Minute Book of the Oregon Transportation Commission.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

James L. Sevens
Assistant Attorney General
and Counsel State of Oregon

John P. Fien
City Attorney

William J. Fry
City Attorney

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Robert Battmans
Director, Oregon Department of Transportation

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By: Robert Simon
Mayor

ATTEST: Prison Dorking
City Recorder

CITY OF SALEM

By: Leslie Miller
Mayor

ATTEST: Ramona Hudson
City Recorder 4/27/87

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Commissioner

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COUNTY OF FOLK

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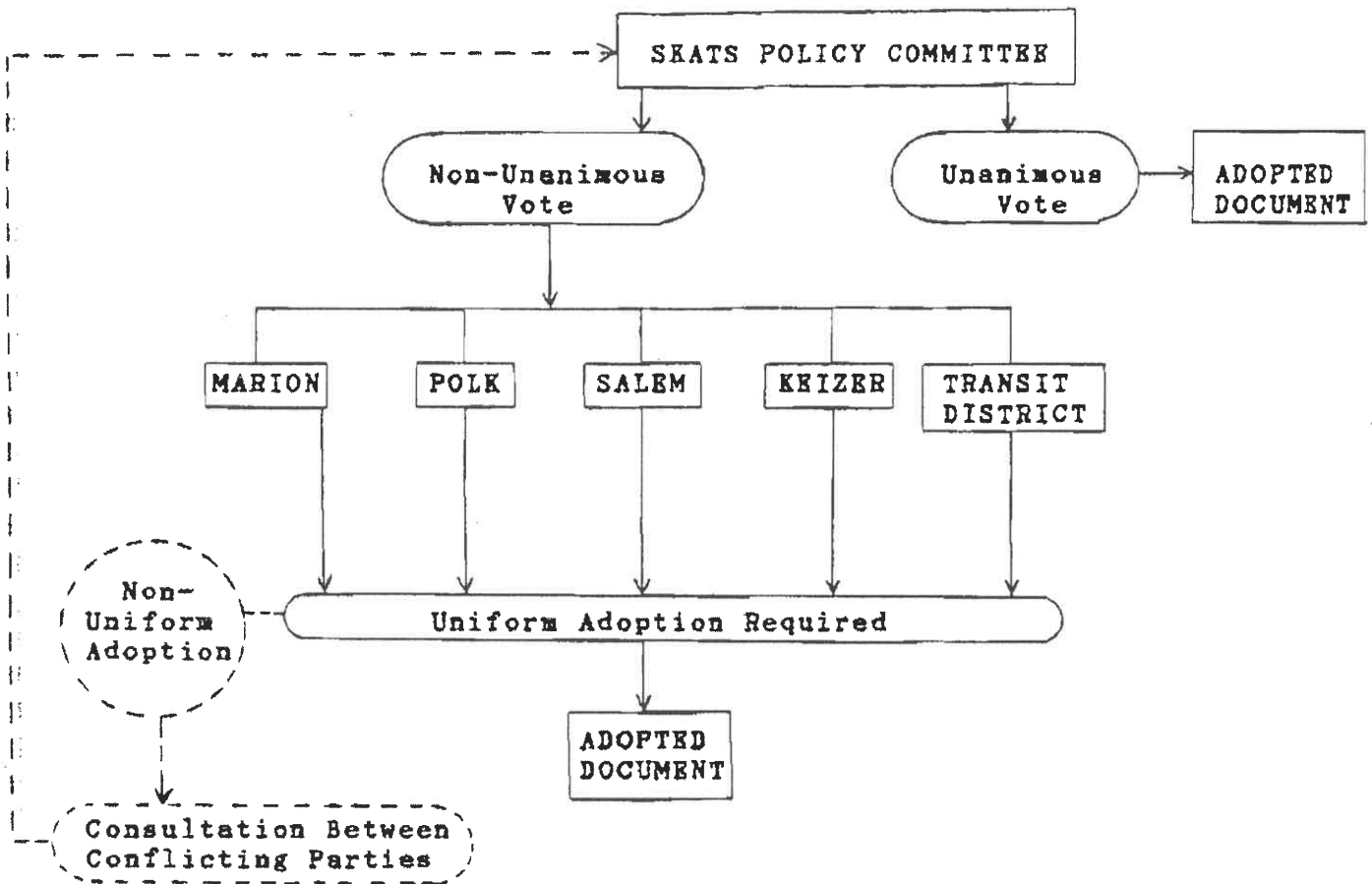
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ADOPTION PROCESS
FOR TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



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MID WILLAMETTE VALLEY
COUNCIL of GOVERNMENTS

May 8, 1987

Mid-Willamette Valley
Council of Governments
400 Senator Building
220 High Street NE
Salem, OR 97301-3663

Dear Council:

The cities of Salem and Keizer and the counties of Polk and Marion, along with the Salem Area Transit District and the Oregon Transportation Commission, have agreed that the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Salem-Keizer urbanized area should be the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study Policy Committee. I concur with the designation of the new Metropolitan Planning Organization.

The Mid-Willamette Council of Governments will carry out the administrative responsibilities for the new Metropolitan Planning Organization. Funds used to carry out the transportation planning process will be funneled through the Council of Governments and expended under the direction of the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study Policy Committee.

Sincerely,


Neil Goldschmidt
Governor

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**AMENDMENT NO. 1
to the
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT**

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR COOPERATIVELY
CARRYING OUT TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING**

THE STATE OF OREGON, by and through its Department of Transportation, THE MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, THE CITY OF SALEM, THE CITY OF KEIZER, MARION COUNTY, POLK COUNTY, and THE SALEM AREA MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT (referred to collectively as "PARTIES") entered into a cooperative agreement for duties and responsibilities for cooperatively carrying out transportation planning and programming. This Agreement was approved by the Oregon Transportation Commission on March 20, 1987, at which time the Director, Oregon Department of Transportation, was authorized and directed to sign the Agreement for and on behalf of the Commission.

It has now been determined by the "PARTIES" that the agreement referenced above, while remaining in full force and effect, shall be amended by this Amendment No. 1 to add THE CITY OF TURNER as a voting member on the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS) Policy Committee.

Therefore, the Cooperative Agreement shall be amended as follows:

Section C of the Cooperative Agreement shall be amended to add subsection 8 to read as follows:

Section C. The Salem Area Transportation Study (SATS) Coordinating Committee will be renamed the Salem/Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS) Policy Committee. Voting membership on the SKATS Policy Committee shall consist of:

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2. One member, Polk County Board of Commissioners
3. One member, City of Salem City Council
4. One member, City of Keizer City Council
5. One member, Salem Area Mass Transit, District Board of Directors

6. One member, Oregon Department of Transportation
7. One member, School District 24J Board
8. One member, City of Turner City Council

This agreement shall be effective on the date all required signatures are obtained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be signed in their respective names by their duly authorized representatives as of the dates set forth below.

The Oregon Transportation Commission on January 16, 2002, approved Delegation Order No. 2, which authorizes the Director to approve and execute agreements for day-to-day operations when the work is related to a project included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program or a line item in the biennial budget approved by the Commission.

SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW

On January 31, 2002, the Director of the Oregon Department of Transportation approved Subdelegation Order No. 2, in which the Director grants authority to the Deputy Directors, Division Managers, Chief of Staff, Technical Services Manager/Chief Engineer, Branch and Region Managers for their respective Branch or Region, to approve and execute agreements up to \$75,000 when the work is related to a project included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, other system plans approved by the Commission such as the Traffic Safety Performance Plan, or in a line item in the approved biennial budget.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dale K. Edman
Assistant Attorney General

Date 9/30/03

Larry Greenleaf
Deputy Director, Oregon Department
of Transportation, Transportation
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Date 10-6-03

F. Humphreys
City Attorney

Date 6-26-03

CITY OF KEIZER:

Frederick Christopher
By: Mayor

Maury Davis
ATTEST: City Recorder
Date 6-17-03

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City Attorney

Date 6/14/03

CITY OF SALEM:

Janet Taylor
By: Mayor

Jean Ley
ATTEST: City Recorder
Date 6-12-03

Joent Balford
City Attorney

Date 7/16/2003

CITY OF TURNER:

Jan A. Hoff
By: Mayor

ATTEST: City Recorder
Date _____

Approved as to form <

Regan Mitchell
County Contracts Coordinator 8/15/03

Miscellaneous Contracts and Agreements
No. 20,523

COUNTY OF MARION:

Joe Ellen Stone
Legal Counsel

Date 20 August 2003

Patricia Mulse
By: Chairman
Michael R. Pugh
Commissioner
Just Paul
Commissioner
Date 8/27/03

COUNTY OF POLK:

DA ON
Legal Counsel

Date 5/12/03

Tom Ketchum
By: Chairman
Michael R. Pugh
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Paul Ruff
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Date 5/22/03

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President
Date 5/22/03

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Scott Chapman
Executive Director

Date 8/8/03

**Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study
Policy Committee**

BYLAWS

Article I

Name

This Committee, established by an Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement entered into on April 6, 1987, shall be called the SKATS Policy Committee and is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Salem-Keizer Urban Area. This agreement was amended October 6, 2003.

Article II

Purpose

The SKATS Policy Committee is the policy committee of the Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study. The purpose of the Policy Committee is to identify transportation policies, issues, and needs which are areawide in scope; and to plan and recommend actions in areas of intergovernmental concern. It is the SKATS Policy Committee's responsibility to insure that transportation decisions are consistent with areawide goals and objectives.

The Policy Committee will be supported by advisory committees as the Policy Committee deems appropriate.

The responsibilities of the SKATS Policy Committee are to:

1. Provide policy direction in the development of the areawide transportation plans and work programs.
2. Recommend transportation plans, policies, programs, and priorities to the participating units of government for their adoption as appropriate.
3. Help member agencies coordinate their respective implementation programs.
4. Serve as the forum for joint, cooperative discussion and decision-making.
5. Prepare, update, and adopt the Regional Transportation Systems Plan (RTSP).
6. Annually prepare and adopt a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).
7. Prepare and adopt the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

8. Prepare other administrative documents that may be required to carry out the transportation planning process.
9. Adoption of documents will be in accordance with the processes outlined in the April 6, 1987 Cooperative Agreement, *as amended*.

Article III

Organization

- A. The SKATS Policy Committee shall consist of eight members appointed by their governmental unit as identified in the Cooperative Agreement. These are:
 1. One member, Marion County Board of Commissioners
 2. One member, Polk County Board of Commissioners
 3. One member, City of Salem City Council
 4. One member, City of Keizer City Council
 5. One member, School District 24J Board
 6. One member, Salem Area Mass Transit District Board of Directors
 7. One member, Oregon Department of Transportation
 8. One member, City of Turner City Council
- B. A quorum shall consist of not less than four (4) voting members.
- C. There shall be held annually at the first meeting of the calendar year, election of officers, consisting of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.
- D. The Chairperson of the SKATS Policy Committee shall conduct all meetings of the Policy Committee and appoint subcommittees as required and specify assignments and deadlines of subcommittee reports.
- E. The Vice-Chairperson of the SKATS Policy Committee shall conduct meetings of the Policy Committee in the absence of the Chairperson. In the absence of the both the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson, the Chair will delegate another member of the committee to conduct that particular meeting prior to the meeting date.
- F. The Chairpersons of all SKATS Advisory Committees and a representative of the Marion, Polk, Salem, *Turner*, and Keizer Planning Commissions are encouraged to participate (in a non-voting capacity) in Policy Committee meetings.
- G. The jurisdiction of a regular voting member, who is unable to attend a Committee

meeting is encouraged to send another representative who meets the criteria in Article IIIA.

Article IV

Meetings

Regular meetings shall be held monthly. The local newspaper must receive notification of meetings at least 24 hours prior to any meeting.

Written minutes will be taken at each meeting. Parliamentary Procedure as defined in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised will be followed and the Oregon Open Meetings Law (ORS 192.610 to 192.690) requirements will be adhered to at all times. The Chairperson shall enter into discussions and vote, the same as any other voting member.

In an emergency, telephone polls/votes may be conducted in lieu of a meeting with approval of the Chairperson. Votes will be formalized at the next meeting.

Article V

Amendments To The Bylaws

The Bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the SKATS Policy Committee, provided that written notice of, and the proposed amendment is mailed to each member of the committee not less than five days prior to such meeting.

Adopted: SKATS PC - 5/27/87
Amended: SKATS PC - 5/16/91
Amended: SKATS PC - 11/26/02
Amended: SKATS PC - 11/25/03



SALEM - KEIZER AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

105 HIGH STREET SE, SALEM, OREGON 97301 PHONE (503) 588-6177 FAX (503) 588-6094

Memorandum

Date: February 18, 2003
To: SKATS Policy Committee
From: Richard W. Schmid, SKATS Program Director *RWS*
Re: Cooperative Agreement

As a result of the Technical Advisory Committee's discussion of the Cooperative Agreement and recommendation that the SKATS Policy Committee consider adding the Salem-Keizer School District 24J as a signatory, I reviewed the minutes from the meetings held in 1986 surrounding the development of the Cooperative Agreement. The following is a brief overview of the considerations and decisions related to the composition of the current Agreement.

- The structure, membership, and operation of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the decision of the units of general-purpose local government (i.e., cities and counties) and must be approved by the Governor.
- The MPO should also include those agencies responsible for key portions of the transportation system (ODOT and the Salem Area Transit). It may also include other local entities that are considered valuable to the transportation planning process by the key members.
- When the current Cooperative Agreement was developed in 1986-87, it was developed by local elected officials – not staff. One of the recurring themes of discussion was the importance of self-control of the MPO's own destiny and the ability to make decisions that were not "second-guessed" or overruled by others. Following that train of thought, there was a deliberate effort to limit the actual "parties" to the Cooperative Agreement to only those jurisdictions with direct control of the public transportation infrastructure.
- As a consequence, the elected officials at the time made a specific distinction between those agencies that were *required* to decide on the formation of the MPO and those that would be *invited* to participate in the SKATS process.

- Thus, the omission of the Salem-Keizer School District 24J as a signatory in 1987 was deliberate and not an oversight and was considered a proactive policy decision.

This information is provided so that the current members of the SKATS Policy Committee are aware of some of the rationale utilized by your predecessors in developing the existing agreement.

RWS:lvm

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MPO Structure Discussion

SKATS Policy Committee
February 27, 2024

Purpose: Review options for MPO Policy Committee membership and voting. Understand changes to federal law on Board Composition. Understand Redesignation Process (if needed)

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Setting the Table for Discussion

Staff memo covers these topics:

1. 2020 Census – Salem urban area expanded. To add Aumsville to SKATS requires update of SKATS Cooperative Agreement and Bylaws (Att. B)
2. When redesignation by Governor is needed. Changes to Federal Law, update to federal regulations (Att. E.)
3. MPO Board structures in Oregon and other states (Att. C.)
4. August Policy Committee discussion (Att. D.)
5. Facilitator & Public Input (Att. F)
6. “StrawMan” membership & voting options for discussion purposes (Att. A)

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Federal Law: Redesignating MPOs (Att. E)

- Cooperative Agreement for MPOs (430.310 (h))
 - *An existing MPO may be redesignated only by agreement between the Governor and units of general purpose local government that **together represent at least 75 percent of the existing metropolitan planning area population** (including the **largest incorporated city**, based on population, as named by the Bureau of the Census)*

Federal Law: Redesignating MPOs (Att. E)

- 2020 Census: Salem urban area expanded to include Aumsville
- Redesignations by Governor **NOT required** “when adding members to the MPO that represent new units of general-purpose local government resulting from expansion of the metropolitan planning area”
 - ❖ Turner added in 2003 – no redesignation
 - ❖ Aumsville in 2024 - no redesignation if that is only change

Federal Law: Redesignating MPOs (Att. E)

- Redesignation of an MPO by Governor **is required** whenever the existing MPO proposes to make:
 - (1) A substantial change in the **proportion of voting members** on the existing MPO; or
 - (2) A substantial change in the decision making authority or responsibility of the MPO, or **in decision making procedures** established under MPO by-laws

Table 1: SKATS Area Population by Jurisdiction, based on 2010 SKATS boundary

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2021 Change to Federal Law (Att. E)

- **2021 Amendment to Federal Law**

“(D) Considerations” (underline and highlight added for emphasis):

“(D) CONSIDERATIONS.—In designating officials or representatives under paragraph (2) for the first time, subject to the bylaws or enabling statute of the metropolitan planning organization, the metropolitan planning organization shall consider the equitable and proportional representation of the population of the metropolitan planning area.”;

- **Proposed regulations** with more specification scheduled for May 2024 release.

Federal Law and Regs (Att. E)

- **House report** that preceded 2021 Amendment to Federal Law

(D) Equitable and proportional representation. --

- (i) In general.--In designating officials or representatives under paragraph (2), the metropolitan planning organization **shall ensure the equitable and proportional representation of the population of the metropolitan planning area.**
- (ii) Savings clause.--Nothing in this paragraph shall require a metropolitan planning organization in existence on the date of enactment of this subparagraph to be restructured.
- (iii) Redesignation.--Notwithstanding clause (ii), **the requirements of this paragraph shall apply to any metropolitan planning organization redesignated** under paragraph (6) [Redesignation Procedures]

Equitable Representation

- FHWA definition (2019): *Equity in transportation seeks fairness in mobility and accessibility to meet the needs of all community members.*
- Transportation Equity Scorecard - A Tool for Project Screening (2020 User Guide from USDOT) - Factors important to equity include to access to opportunity, a healthy environment, and affordable mobility options, to name a few
- Proposed FHWA regulations (May 2024) to implement the updated law may have some specific rules/guidance about equity and representation of MPO Boards

Equitable Representation

- SKATS 2050 Plan (Goal 4: Equitable): *The goal of the MTP is to have a Metropolitan Transportation System that meets the needs for users of the regional transportation system: that the benefits and burdens of the transportation system are not disproportionately distributed.*
- Corvallis MPO Plan: *Prioritize equity in regional transportation decision making in order to eliminate barriers related to access, safety, affordability and health outcomes experienced by people of color, low income people, older adults, people with disabilities and other historically marginalized communities*

Proportional Representation

From 2017 FHWA report on MPOs:

“Actual board composition is not determined by federal law or regulation. Federal law encourages participation by other important stakeholders (school districts, military bases, universities, etc.), but does not dictate the manner of such participation including such matters as non-voting board membership, the constitution of advisory committees, and voting rights of board members.”

“2023 Prop B – Fair for Houston”: citizen effort to affect the representation on the Houston-Galveston Area Council (37-member board). “Houston and Harris County have two-thirds of the people served by this council. Our leaders have less than 20% of the votes on it. That underrepresentation leads to them being unable to advocate for our needs when it comes to federal funding.”

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Proportional Representation

Wikipedia: Proportional representation (PR) refers to any type of [electoral system](#) under which subgroups of an electorate are reflected proportionately in the elected body

PR possibly adapted for MPOs: Board composition under which subgroups of a population (and jurisdictions?) are reflected proportionately in the MPO Board

Proposed FHWA regulations (May 2024) – may or may not shed light on what PR should be. Likely to be generally left to the determination of MPOs themselves and the Governor when redesignating an MPO.

SKATS
Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study

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2016 FHWA Survey of 279 MPOs in U.S.

- Average board size increases with population
 - 100,000-200,000: 13.8 voting board seats
 - 200,000-500,000: 17.8 voting board seats
- 24% of MPOs have one or more "rotating seats" for a subset of local governments
- 36 MPOs (13%) have weighted voting process in their bylaws, and 17% of the MPOs of SKATS' population size have weighted voting.



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2016 Survey

Non-voting members are a common occurrence.

147 MPOs (53%) reported having a non-voting member on their board

Table 2-5 MPO Non-voting Board Seat Allocation and Frequency

Seat Type	Percent with this Seat Type	Average Number of Seats
State departments of transportation	44%	1.3
Regional Council	17%	1.7
Public transit authorities	15%	1.2
Municipal elected officials	14%	3.2
Aviation authorities	12%	1.2
Military installations	10%	1.3
Colleges or universities	7%	1.4
County commissioners	6%	3.1
Toll or expressway authorities	6%	1.0
Gubernatorial appointees	5%	1.4
Seaport authorities	4%	1.2
Tribal governments	4%	1.3
School districts	3%	1.3
Countywide elected executive officials	3%	1.8
Private sector representatives	3%	1.0
Other	48%	3.3



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SKATS Cooperative Agreement (1987)

Policy Committee members

- City of Salem
- City of Keizer
- Marion County
- Polk County
- City of Turner
- Salem-Keizer School District
- Salem Area Transit District
- ODOT

- 1 vote per member
- Unanimous vote of members in attendance for adopting the MTP & TIP
- Less than unanimous vote: referred to governing bodies of Salem, Keizer, Marion, Pok, and Transit District for either endorsement or developing mutually acceptable proposal



SKATS Cooperative Agreement (1987)

Section I. The SKATS Policy Committee shall review this agreement on or before January 1992 and every five years thereafter and recommend revisions as desired to the Parties.

Agreement included in each year's UPWP and Policy Committee asked if they want to review the Agreement, but no motions ever made to review (or revise) the Agreement.

Agreement and Bylaws amended in 2003 to add Turner, but no other change to either document.



Oregon MPO Board Structure

MPO	Representation and Voting
Central Lane	2 reps (Eugene, Springfield, Lane County, LTD) 1 rep (Coburg & ODOT). 6 ex-officio non-voting members that participate but do not vote.
Corvallis	3 votes (Corvallis) 1 vote (Philomath, Adair Village, Benton County, ODOT) Note: city of Corvallis is 83% of the MPO's population
Rogue Valley (Medford)	1 vote per member . Any member may ask for " Super Majority " (two thirds of voting members plus one) roll call vote if consensus (unanimity) cannot be reached
Middle Rogue (Grants Pass)	3 reps (Grants Pass) 2 reps (Josephine Co.) 1 rep (Jackson Co., Gold Hill, Rogue River). One vote per representative. Any member may ask for Super Majority (2/3rds) vote.
Metro	3 reps (Metro Council), 1 rep (Portland, each county), 1 rep (for small cities in each county) plus 1 for Tri-Met, ODOT, Port of Portland, DEQ, WashDOT, Vancouver, C-Tran
Albany	1 vote each (Albany, Jefferson, Millersburg, Tangent, Benton Co., Linn Co.) Bylaws permit citizen rep, business rep or freight stakeholder, as voting or as non-voting ex-officio members
Bend	Bend (3 members, but 1 vote between them); Deschutes Co. (1 member, 1 vote), ODOT (1 member, 1 vote). Total of 3 votes on MPO.



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MPO Board Structure – other states

MPO	Representation and Voting
Springfield MO	Voting Members: Springfield (3), Greene Co. (2), Christian County (1). 1 member each from six other cities. 4 citizens-at-large, 1 vote each. 1 each from City Utilities of Springfield and Airport.
North Front Range, CO	17 voting members (1 vote each). Any voting member can call for a weighted vote. Number of weighted votes based on population size (1 weighted vote per 10,000 population)
Spokane, WA	21 members, but larger jurisdictions (City of Spokane, city of Spokane Valley, Spokane County) get 2 seats each . Proportionate representation with weighted voting (ranging from 1 to 3.5 votes per seat). A weighted vote >50% approval takes precedent over a non-weighted vote.
Sandhill NC	New MPO in 2020. 8 members of varying sizes (600 to 17,000+). One vote per member but developed weighted voting (based on population) if votes are not unanimous.



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Prior SKATS PC meeting discussions

- June 2023 – 2020 Census expansion, key sections of Cooperative Agreement, Redesignation, other MPO's membership and voting. Questions to staff.
- August 2023 – Answers to PC's questions, committee discussion including adding 2nd Salem member, split views of using a facilitated process (see Attachment D)
- September - Request postponement (to include Salem mayor)
- November & January - scheduling conflicts
- January 2024 – 2003-2024 TIP project funding by jurisdiction

Public & Agency input; Facilitated Process

- Letters from Friends of Marion County, PCUN, 2 emails from individuals, Letter from SAMTD (2/22/24)
- Facilitated process – staff gathered names and talked with a few potential facilitation services (see page 7 of memo)
- Discuss Facilitation today after looking at Attachment A options

Setting the Table for Discussion

Committee Questions about Presentation Materials

before looking at the

Straw Man Proposals in Attachment A

(straw-man., options that can be pulled apart,
as a starting point for discussion)

Attachment A - SKATS Board Options 1-4

1. Add Aumsville as voting member (same for options 2-5)
2. Add Aumsville; add 2nd voting seat for Salem
3. Add Aumsville; add non-voting seat for Salem; Salem can call for a second voting member if motion get 50% or more support
4. Add Aumsville; add non-voting seat for Salem; Review Cooperative Agreement in future (see details in Attachment)

Attachment A - SKATS Board Option 5

5. Add Aumsville; create a tiered-voting process.
 - Regular voting (1 vote per voting seat) is default
 - Tiered voting when 2 or more representatives call for this option
 - (see attachment showing optional weights for tiered voting)

6. Other options that are not included in Attachment A:
 - Designating non-voting members (see Central Lane example of ex-officio members, and FHWA survey)
 - Small-city rotating member



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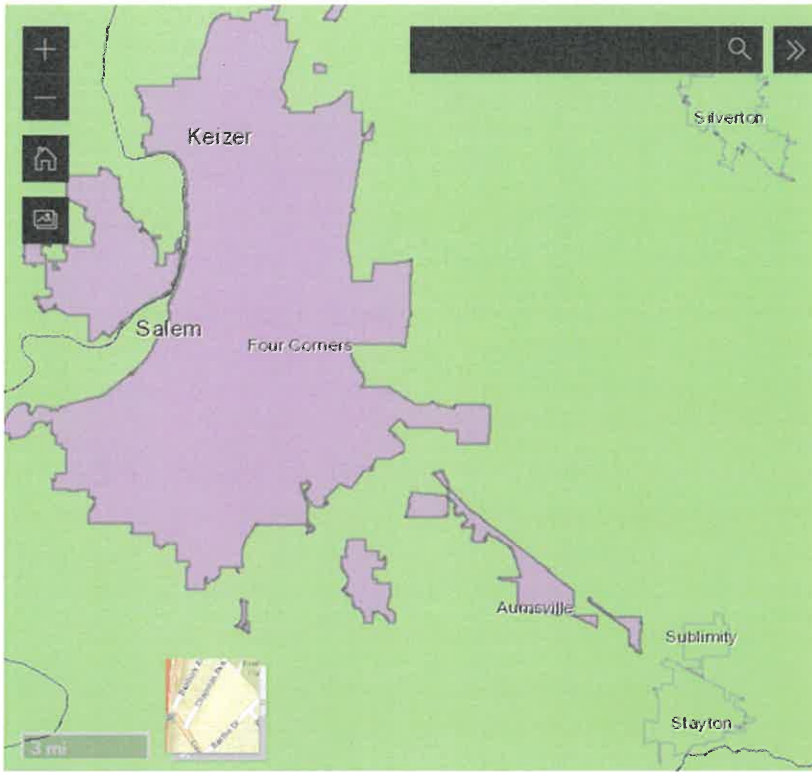
March 14, 2024

Mike Jaffe,

The original letter was in response to the letters from Salem residents. We were simply countering their claims, not representing Aumsville as a funding authority.

It seems like SKATS staff would have a much better understanding of how the MPO works and what funding qualifies than I, as Aumsville is new to this process. However, I will do my best to answer the committee's request. My understanding is that Aumsville is now listed as part of the MPO and thus all application criteria are as an MPO entity for the federal transportation grant programs.

When I search Rural grant opportunities and go through the eligibility process. We are no longer listed as a rural eligible community, see the Eligibility classification below. I have included a couple of grant locations for reference, we are showing these for reference to our understanding. We do not know what future grant opportunities would present themselves and which of those we would even want to apply for. We are just highlighting that the federal view of the city is no longer rural.



BTS Rural Funding Eligibility Tool

Toggle layer list

- Ferry Service for Rural Communities Program
- Innovative Coordinated Access and Mobility Pilot Program
- Low or No Emissions (LNE)
- Low or No-Emitting Ferry Pilot Program
- Passenger Ferry Program
- Tribal Transit Competitive Program (TTCP)
- Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST) programs

Salem, OR Urban Area

FTA ICAMPP classification: Urban area

Area characteristics:

Urban or rural area name	Salem, OR
Population (2020)	268,331
Program urban definition, source	Census Bureau

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Bureau of Land Management, State of Oregon, State of Oregon DOT, State of Oreg... Powered by Esri

RURAL GRANTS:

A few grants we are missing out on as we no longer classify as rural for federal transportation funding:

[The Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program | US Department of Transportation](https://www.transportation.gov/grants/rural-surface-transportation-grant-program)
<https://www.transportation.gov/grants/rural-surface-transportation-grant-program>

[Federal Funding Programs | US Department of Transportation](https://www.transportation.gov/rural/ev/toolkit/ev-infrastructure-funding-and-financing/federal-funding-programs)
<https://www.transportation.gov/rural/ev/toolkit/ev-infrastructure-funding-and-financing/federal-funding-programs>

[Rural Opportunities to Use Transportation for Economic Success \(ROUTES\) | US Department of Transportation](https://www.transportation.gov/rural)
<https://www.transportation.gov/rural>

[Advanced Transportation Technologies and Innovative Mobility Deployment | US Department of Transportation](https://www.transportation.gov/rural/grant-toolkit/advanced-transportation-technologies-and-innovative-mobility-deployment)
<https://www.transportation.gov/rural/grant-toolkit/advanced-transportation-technologies-and-innovative-mobility-deployment>

I hope this addresses the question posed by committee members. I am happy to continue to provide support to the policy board in their process as they work through these policy concerns.

Ron

From: [Harris, Jasmine \(FHWA\)](#)
To: [Jaffe, Mike](#)
Cc: [Sapunar, Kim](#); [Steve Dobrinich](#); [Jackson, Ray](#); [Laura Conroy](#)
Subject: RE: 23 USC 134 v 23 CFR 450.3xx
Date: Thursday, October 12, 2023 10:53:07 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hi Mike,

I am not sure if this is helpful as I know you were looking for something more definitive, but please let me know if you have any follow-up questions.

"The updated provision in [23 U.S.C. 134\(d\)\(3\)\(D\)](#) is on the books and in effect now. This provision will also be included in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) for the upcoming update to [23 CFR Part 450](#). Through that NPRM, FHWA and FTA will invite the public to comment on this provision and other updates to the planning regulations. At this point in the rulemaking process, I'm not in a position to get ahead of the NPRM, but I can share with you this publicly available [report](#) that the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure put together to accompany the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). Here is a snippet:

(D) Equitable and proportional representation.--

(i) In general.--In designating officials or representatives under paragraph (2), the metropolitan planning organization shall ensure the equitable and proportional representation of the population of the metropolitan planning area.
(ii) Savings clause.--Nothing in this paragraph shall require a metropolitan planning organization in existence on the date of enactment of this subparagraph to be restructured.
(iii) Redesignation.--Notwithstanding clause (ii), the requirements of this paragraph shall apply to any metropolitan planning organization redesignated under paragraph (6).

I will also say that in the conversations I've had with FHWA Division Offices, FTA Regional Offices, State DOTs, MPOs, and transit agencies during TMA Certification Reviews, I've heard a lot of discussion about geographic representation, proportional membership, proportional voting, and other voting structures and decisionmaking procedures. Please encourage your planning partners to comment on the NPRM when it is published (hopefully soon, fingers crossed)."

Until the regulations are updated (23 CFR 450 and 420), I am expecting there will be more discussions on the interpretation of equitable and proportional representation. Potentially guidance etc.....

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SEPTEMBER 2023 SIGNIFICANT RULEMAKING REPORT.v.3

31. Statewide and Nonmetropolitan and Metropolitan Transportation Planning

Popular Title: The FHWA-FTA Planning Rule

RIN 2125-AF98

Stage: NPRM

Abstract: This joint rulemaking would amend the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations for Statewide and Nonmetropolitan and Metropolitan Transportation Planning and Programming at 23 CFR Part 450. This rulemaking would: implement relevant requirements of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Pub. L. 117-58, also known as the "Bipartisan Infrastructure Law"); consider allowing additional flexibility in the development and content of the Transportation Improvement Program/Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (TIP/STIP); and consider other revisions, including updates to the planning factors and plan requirements and changes to improve the transportation planning process.

Dates for NPRM:

Action	Publication Date(s)	FR Cite
NPRM	05/24/2024	

References.

<https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/agencyRuleList>

<https://www.transportation.gov/regulations/september-2023-significant-rulemaking-report>

<https://www.transportation.gov/regulations/report-on-significant-rulemakings>

<https://www.transportation.gov/regulations/rulemaking-process#notices>

This content is from the eCFR and is authoritative but unofficial.

Title 23 –Highways

Chapter I –Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation

Subchapter E –Planning and Research

Part 450 –Planning Assistance and Standards

Subpart C –Metropolitan Transportation Planning and Programming

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135; 42 U.S.C. 7410 *et seq.*; 49 U.S.C. 5303 and 5304; 49 CFR 1.85 and 1.90.

Source: 81 FR 34135, May 27, 2016, unless otherwise noted.

§ 450.310 Metropolitan planning organization designation and redesignation.

- (a) To carry out the metropolitan transportation planning process under this subpart, an MPO shall be designated for each urbanized area with a population of more than 50,000 individuals (as determined by the Bureau of the Census).
- (b) MPO designation shall be made by agreement between the Governor and units of general purpose local government that together represent at least 75 percent of the affected population (including the largest incorporated city, based on population, as named by the Bureau of the Census) or in accordance with procedures established by applicable State or local law.
- (c) The FHWA and the FTA shall identify as a TMA each urbanized area with a population of over 200,000 individuals, as defined by the Bureau of the Census. The FHWA and the FTA shall also designate any urbanized area as a TMA on the request of the Governor and the MPO designated for that area.
- (d) **TMA structure:**
 - (1) Not later than October 1, 2014, each metropolitan planning organization that serves a designated TMA shall consist of:
 - (i) Local elected officials;
 - (ii) Officials of public agencies that administer or operate major modes of transportation in the metropolitan area, including representation by providers of public transportation; and
 - (iii) Appropriate State officials.
 - (2) An MPO may be restructured to meet the requirements of this paragraph (d) without undertaking a redesignation.
 - (3) **Representation.**
 - (i) Designation or selection of officials or representatives under paragraph (d)(1) of this section shall be determined by the MPO according to the bylaws or enabling statute of the organization.
 - (ii) Subject to the bylaws or enabling statute of the MPO, a representative of a provider of public transportation may also serve as a representative of a local municipality.
 - (iii) An official described in paragraph (d)(1)(ii) shall have responsibilities, actions, duties, voting rights, and any other authority commensurate with other officials described in paragraph (d)(1) of this section.

Metropolitan planning organization designation and redesignation.

- (4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to interfere with the authority, under any State law in effect on December 18, 1991, of a public agency with multimodal transportation responsibilities—
 - (i) To develop the plans and TIPs for adoption by an MPO; and
 - (ii) To develop long-range capital plans, coordinate transit services and projects, and carry out other activities pursuant to State law.
- (e) To the extent possible, only one MPO shall be designated for each urbanized area or group of contiguous urbanized areas. More than one MPO may be designated to serve an urbanized area only if the Governor(s) and the existing MPO, if applicable, determine that the size and complexity of the urbanized area make designation of more than one MPO appropriate. In those cases where two or more MPOs serve the same urbanized area, the MPOs shall establish official, written agreements that clearly identify areas of coordination, and the division of transportation planning responsibilities among the MPOs.
- (f) Nothing in this subpart shall be deemed to prohibit an MPO from using the staff resources of other agencies, non-profit organizations, or contractors to carry out selected elements of the metropolitan transportation planning process.
- (g) An MPO designation shall remain in effect until an official redesignation has been made in accordance with this section.
- (h) An existing MPO may be redesignated only by agreement between the Governor and units of general purpose local government that together represent at least 75 percent of the existing metropolitan planning area population (including the largest incorporated city, based on population, as named by the Bureau of the Census).
- (i) For the purposes of redesignation, units of general purpose local government may be defined as elected officials from each unit of general purpose local government located within the metropolitan planning area served by the existing MPO.
- (j) Redesignation of an MPO (in accordance with the provisions of this section) is required whenever the existing MPO proposes to make:
 - (1) A substantial change in the proportion of voting members on the existing MPO representing the largest incorporated city, other units of general purpose local government served by the MPO, and the State(s); or
 - (2) A substantial change in the decisionmaking authority or responsibility of the MPO, or in decisionmaking procedures established under MPO by-laws.
- (k) Redesignation of an MPO serving a multistate metropolitan planning area requires agreement between the Governors of each State served by the existing MPO and units of general purpose local government that together represent at least 75 percent of the existing metropolitan planning area population (including the largest incorporated city, based on population, as named by the Bureau of the Census).
- (l) The following changes to an MPO do not require a redesignation (as long as they do not trigger a substantial change as described in paragraph (j) of this section):
 - (1) The identification of a new urbanized area (as determined by the Bureau of the Census) within an existing metropolitan planning area;
 - (2) Adding members to the MPO that represent new units of general purpose local government resulting from expansion of the metropolitan planning area;

- (3) Adding members to satisfy the specific membership requirements described in paragraph (d) of this section for an MPO that serves a TMA; or
 - (4) Periodic rotation of members representing units of general-purpose local government, as established under MPO by-laws.
- (m) Each Governor with responsibility for a portion of a multistate metropolitan area and the appropriate MPOs shall, to the extent practicable, provide coordinated transportation planning for the entire MPA. The consent of Congress is granted to any two or more States to:
- (1) Enter into agreements or compacts, not in conflict with any law of the United States, for cooperative efforts and mutual assistance in support of activities authorized under 23 U.S.C. 134 and 49 U.S.C. 5303 as the activities pertain to interstate areas and localities within the States; and
 - (2) Establish such agencies, joint or otherwise, as the States may determine desirable for making the agreements and compacts effective.

[81 FR 34135, May 27, 2016, as amended at 81 FR 93470, Dec. 20, 2016; 82 FR 56543, Nov. 29, 2017]

23 U.S. Code § 134 - Metropolitan transportation planning

(3) Representation.—

(A) In general.—

Designation or selection of officials or representatives under paragraph (2) shall be determined by the metropolitan planning organization according to the bylaws or enabling statute of the organization.

(B) Public transportation representative.—

Subject to the bylaws or enabling statute of the metropolitan planning organization, a representative of a provider of public transportation may also serve as a representative of a local municipality.

(C) Powers of certain officials.—

An official described in paragraph (2)(B) shall have responsibilities, actions, duties, voting rights, and any other authority commensurate with other officials described in paragraph (2).

(D) Considerations.—

In designating officials or representatives under paragraph (2) for the first time, subject to the bylaws or enabling statute of the metropolitan planning organization, the metropolitan planning organization shall consider the equitable and proportional representation of the population of the metropolitan planning area.

Note: section (D) added to 23 USC via the 'Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act', Public Law 117-58, Nov. 15, 2021

Agenda Item F

TIP Modifications

SKATS Policy Committee

March 26, 2024

Action Requested:
Informational Item.

2024-2029 SKATS TIP Modifications (Since February 2023)										
	Date	Key Number	Project Name	Project Sponsor	MTIP Modification Number	Total Project Cost Before	Total Project Cost After	SKATS Discretionary Funds Before	SKATS Discretionary Funds After	Description of Modification
1	2/27/2024	23504	Pringle Creek Path Connection (Salem)	Salem	24-2	\$6,686,727	\$8,240,000	\$0	\$0	Increase total project cost listed in STIP by \$1,553,274 to include local overmatch. Remove Oregon Community Paths funds from Right of Way phase. Increase Preliminary Engineering phase by \$709,729.65, increase the Right of Way phase by \$23,104.55, and increase the Construction phase by \$820,439.80.
2	2/27/2024	22029	Oregon Transportation Network - SAMTD FFY22	ODOT Transit	24-3	\$1,188,378	\$1,590,614	\$0	\$0	Increase project estimate by \$402,236 to match FTA grant/allocation amount.
3	2/27/2024	21912	Transit Urban (5339) Formula Program 2023 SKT	SAMTD	24-4	\$1,082,500	\$601,395	\$0	\$0	Decrease project cost by \$481,105 to match actual apportionment. Funding amount listed is out of date.
4	3/5/2024	21908	Transit Urban (5307) Formula Capital ADA PM 2023 SKT	SAMTD	24-AA5	\$3,939,315	\$3,311,975	\$0	\$0	Decrease project allocation listed in STIP by \$627,340 (\$501,872 Federal; \$125,468 local match) so as not to exceed actual 5307 apportionment.
5	3/5/2024	21909	Transit Urban (5307) Formula Capital Projects 2023 SKT	SAMTD	24-AA6	\$2,467,410	\$2,212,588	\$0	\$0	Decrease project allocation listed in STIP by \$254,822 (\$203,858 Federal; \$50,964 local match) so as not to exceed actual 5307 apportionment.
6	3/5/2024	21910	Transit Urban (5307) Formula-Operating 2023 SKT	SAMTD	24-AA7	\$2,891,240	\$2,209,826	\$0	\$0	Decrease project allocation listed in STIP by \$681,414 (\$340,707 Federal; \$340,707 local match) so as not to exceed actual 5307 apportionment.