

Date: March 25, 2026

To: Board of Directors

From: Sam Desue, Jr. 

Subject: **RESOLUTION NO. 26-03-10 OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) UPDATING THE HB 2017 TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE BYLAWS**

1. Purpose of Item

This Resolution requests that the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) approve updates and revisions to the bylaws for the HB 2017 Transit Advisory Committee Bylaws (Bylaws).

2. Type of Agenda Item

- Initial Contract
- Contract Modification
- Other: Approve HB 2017 Transit Advisory Committee Bylaw revisions and amendments

3. Reason for Board Action

The current HB 2017 Transit Advisory Committee Bylaws require Board approval of any revisions and amendments to the Bylaws.

4. Type of Action:

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

5. Background

The 2017 Oregon Legislature dedicated resources for mass transit services through passage of HB 2017, the Keep Oregon Moving Act (Or Laws 2017 Chap. 750, Sec. 122o (1)). HB 2017 requires TriMet, as the region’s Qualified Entity (QE), to establish and appoint members to an advisory committee (Committee) to advise and assist TriMet in developing a plan for projects and programs funded from the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) for each two-year funding period. HB 2017 also requires the Committee to be governed by Bylaws. *See* OAR 732-042-0020. The Bylaws require Committee and Board approval for any revisions and amendments.

The 2025 STIF Compliance Review performed by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) found the Bylaws needed revision; specifically, the Bylaws needed to include descriptions for the process and decision making criteria for evaluating Public Transportation Service Provider proposals. The Bylaws were amended to address ODOT’s concerns. This Resolution requests Board approval of revisions and amendments to the Bylaws. The proposed revisions and amendments to the Bylaws are shown on the edited redlined version, attached hereto as Exhibit A, and on the proposed final version, attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Staff identified additional updates to the Bylaws to better reflect the Committee's operations. These include:

- changing the decision making procedure from consensus to Committee votes,
- adding "Public Transportation Providers" to the list of required constituents represented by the Committee,
- adding "and the preservation of existing transit operations" to the list of eligible projects, and
- updating the numbering of the clauses resulting from the changes above.

The Committee reviewed the proposed updates and unanimously approved all revisions to the Bylaws on February 27, 2026.

6. Financial/Budget Impact

Although approval of this Resolution will have no direct budgetary impact, amending the Bylaws is necessary to address ODOT's direction to comply with HB 2017 for TriMet to continue receiving STIF funding.

7. Impact if Not Approved

If the Board does not approve this Resolution, the Bylaws would not be updated and TriMet would be out of compliance with HB 2017. This could impact TriMet's eligibility for STIF funding for FY2028-2029.

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

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

WHEREAS, the Committee is guided by written Bylaws which provide that the Bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the Board; and

WHEREAS, on February 27, 2026, the Committee approved the revised and amended Bylaws recommended by the Oregon Department of Transportation as shown in the redlined version, attached hereto as Exhibit A, and in the proposed final version, attached hereto as Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to approve the revised and amended Bylaws, as shown on the attached Exhibit B;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Committee Bylaws shall conform with applicable law, and shall be amended as shown in the Exhibit B, attached to this Resolution.

Dated: March 25, 2026

Attest:

Recording Secretary

Presiding Officer

Approved as to Legal Sufficiency:



Legal Department