

# ***East Multnomah County Transportation Committee***

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## **Public Meeting Minutes MTIP- RFFA and REOF 7/29/13**

### **Welcome**

EMCTC Member, Susie Lahsene called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Joanna Valencia gave background information about the Public Meeting for the Regional Flexible Funds and Regional Economic Opportunity Fund projects.

Joanna introduced the specific projects.

### **Regional Flex Funds Process:**

City of Gresham – Sandy Blvd. from NE 181<sup>st</sup> to East Gresham City limits. Active transportation, complete streets and green economy and freight improvements.

City of Gresham – Hogan Rd from Powell Blvd. to Rugg Rd. Active transportation, complete streets and green economy and freight improvements.

### **Regional Economic Opportunity Fund:**

Multnomah county – NE 238<sup>th</sup> Drive from Halsey St. to Glisan St. Freight and Multimodal. Only seeking PE and design funds for \$1M. Seeking STIP funding for construction.

Port of Portland – Troutdale Industrial Access project asking for 8 million dollars.

### **Opportunity for Public Comment**

David Hampsten – In support of the projects in Gresham. Welcome the improvements on 238<sup>th</sup> specifically to improve safety of those commuting from East Portland. Try to avoid spending money on frivolous projects that encourage gentrification.

Greg Olsen – In favor of all the projects, the Sandy Blvd project in particular because it extends the trail. Allows workers to get to industrial jobs like Boeing. Eventually can become access to Blue Lake Park. Would support Hogan Rd project secondarily because it allows more bike/ped access. Support the Port facility. Support the 238<sup>th</sup> engineering study to find out what we can do for the hillside bike/ped issues.

Alison Hart with the Gresham Area Chamber of Commerce – We have put in a letter of support for all the East County Projects for the Regional Flex Funding. These projects will help grow the Economic Development and Livability in the area.

Stan Kinzig – Lives at Tree Hill Condominiums. Concerned about vehicles going over curbs, especially trucks. Wondering about safety corridors and if fines could be increased or police surveillance could be increased here. There is a daycare center there. Concerned with decreasing home values. Susie Lahsene asked for clarification that Mr. Kinzig was speaking about the 238<sup>th</sup> project and he confirmed that he was.

John Bildsoe – member of Gresham Redevelopment Advisory Committee and Rockwood Neighborhood Association. Good to see something happening here. Happy to see all of these multimodal trails going in. There are problems with displaced populations moving in. Need to protect these natural areas and the local community who would like to use these areas.

EMCTC Member, Susie Lahsene asked for additional comments. There were none.

The meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.