

# Agenda



## BMPO Policy Board

January 19, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

### Location

City Hall, Wall Street Annex Building, Growth Management Conference Room  
709 NW Wall Street, Suite 102, Bend, Oregon

**Zoom webinar link:** <https://bendoregon-gov.zoom.us/j/84488611070?pwd=L0o3K0dUOXVGZ1R1aWo3dFA4RzNuUT09>

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### 12:00 p.m. Policy Board Meeting

Start Time	Item	Information	Presenters
12:00	1. Call to Order & Introductions		Chair Campbell
12:05	2. Hybrid Meeting Guidelines		Tyler Deke
12:07	3. Public Comment		Chair Campbell
12:10	4. Meeting Minutes	<b>Attachments</b> Attachment A: December 15, 2023, Policy Board draft meeting minutes	Chair Campbell

			<p><b><u>Action Requested</u></b> Review and approve the December 15, 2023, Policy Board draft meeting minutes.</p> <p>Recommended Language for motion: <i>I move approval of the December 15, 2023, Policy Board draft meeting minutes as presented.</i></p>	
12:15	5.	<b>2024-2027 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) Amendment</b>	<p><b><u>Background</u></b> An amendment is proposed to the 2024-2027 MTIP. The amendment includes an updated project name to reflect the work location – <i>US20/Greenwood Ave: 1st St to 6th St (Bend)</i> and slipping the Construction phase to start in federal fiscal year 2025.</p> <p>The amendment was noticed on the bendoregon.gov website and through email notification to the MPO email lists and news media. Any comments received will be discussed at the Board meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Attachments</u></b> Attachment B: Public notice, which includes a summary of the proposed amendment.</p> <p><b><u>Action Requested</u></b> Review and consider approval of the proposed amendment.</p> <p>Recommended Language for motion: <i>I move approval of the proposed amendment to the 2024-2027 MTIP as presented.</i></p>	Andrea Napoli and Kelli Kennedy
12:25	6.	<b>Metropolitan Transportation Plan update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progress Update: Review of work completed to date, current work items and upcoming work items</li> <li>• Long-range revenue analysis update</li> <li>• Transportations Needs Findings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Key changes in future growth assumptions</li> <li>○ Key themes</li> <li>○ Changes</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Draft MTP Project List Evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Project List Overview</li> <li>○ Unaddressed needs</li> <li>○ Newly identified needs</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Aaron Berger, DKS, Chris Maciejewski, DKS, and Becky Hewitt, ECO Northwest

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Changing needs</li> <li>○ Proposed changes to MTP Project List</li> <li>● Next steps</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Attachments</u></b> None. Links to the draft memos will be provided prior to the meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Action Requested</u></b> Input on identified changes in needs and proposed changes to Draft MTP Project List</p>	
1:45	<b>7.</b>	<b>Other Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Deschutes County TSP public record reopened through Jan 31</li> <li>● Policy Board member meeting topic requests</li> <li>● The next meeting of the BMPO Policy Board is scheduled for February 16, 2024, at 12:00 p.m.</li> </ul>	Chair Campbell & Staff
1:50	<b>8.</b>	<b>Public Comment</b>		Chair Campbell
2:00	<b>10.</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>		Chair Campbell



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## Policy Board

### *Draft Minutes*

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**December 15, 2023**

ODOT Region 4, 63055 North Highway 97,  
Building M – Baney Conference Room, Bend, Oregon

**Link to meeting:**

<https://youtube.com/live/R1kUZoU0WyU?feature=share>

Present during the meeting (in person and virtually) were:

Policy Board Members: **Chair** Barb Campbell, *Bend City Council*; **Vice-Chair** Phil Chang, *Deschutes County Commissioner*; Ariel “Ari” Mendez, *Bend City Council*; *Mike Riley absent, Bend City Council*; Bob Townsend, *Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Region 4 Area Manager*

MPO Staff: Tyler Deke, *Manager*; Andrea Napoli, *Senior Planner*; Kelli Kennedy, *MPO Staff*

Visitors: Ashley Bryers, *Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)*; Robin Lewis, David Abbas, Janet Hruby, Susanna Julber, *City of Bend*; Henry Stroud, *Bend Park and Recreation District (BPRD)*, ; David Amiton, *ODOT Region 4*; Chris Doty, *Deschutes County*; Greg Bryant, John Heylin, *Bend residents*

#### 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chair Campbell called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m., with a quorum established.

#### 2. Hybrid Meeting Guidelines

Mr. Deke reviewed the meeting guidelines.

#### 3. Public Comment

John Heylin, Bend resident, requested efforts to address speeding and related safety issues on Greenwood and noted he had heard there may be plans to install temporary barriers, at Greenwood and Harriman, to help address the issue.

#### 4. Meeting Minutes

Materials referenced: November 17, 2023, Policy Board draft meeting minutes (Attachment A in agenda packet)

**Motion 1:** Councilor Mendez moved approval of the November 17, 2023, Policy Board draft meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Chang seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

#### 5. MPO Budget Committee Community Member Appointment

MPO Staff noted there are currently two openings on the BMPO Budget Committee, and recommended to reappoint Greg Bryant to serve a two-year term on the committee.

**Motion 2:** Chair Campbell moved to nominate Greg Bryant to serve a two-year term on the BMPO Budget Committee. Commissioner Chang seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

## 6. STBG Project Status Updates

Andrea Napoli provided a brief history and introduced the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) projects.

Henry Stroud, presented updates on BPRD projects, which consisted of the Gilchrist Bridge Replacement Design Project and the Central Oregon Historic Canal Trail Crossing Safety Improvement Project. Project overview, status, and next steps were noted for each project. , Potential considerations related to accessibility, safety, aesthetic, and cost-effectiveness, for the Gilchrist Bridge design were discussed.

Robin Lewis presented updates on City of Bend projects. The presentation included updates on several project, and overviews, statuses, costs, , design considerations, outcomes, and next steps were provided. The Bike Lane Safety Enhancement Project delineators were discussed and included clarification related to cost, selection process, and maintenance considerations. .

The City requested reallocation of Colorado Corridor Planning funds to address safety improvements at Colorado and Arizona intersection, with reasoning and plan for reallocation provided. Clarifying questions about recent accidents on the Colorado corridor were also answered.

**Motion 3:** Councilor Mendez moved to approve the reallocation of Colorado Corridor Planning funds to address the safety improvements at the Colorado and Arizona intersection. Commissioner Chang seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There was discussion around the sidewalk portion of the Riverfront – Deschutes River Trail project. Clarifications on design options and right-of-way considerations were provided. It was noted that design that supports pedestrian traffic should be considered.

The City requested reallocation of unused funds from the Deschutes River Trail project. BMPO Staff noted there is policy regulating the use of unspent project funds, and that there are currently efforts to reconcile a reduction in grant funds. The Board will receive an update from the BMPO on the grant funding reconciliation process in couple of months. The request for reallocation will be revisited at a later date.

On behalf of Sharon Smith with BLS, Andrea Napoli presented an update on the Safe Routes to School Project, which includes an accessible path from Neff Road to Juniper Elementary School. Project overview, status, safety highlights, and next steps were provided.

## 7. School Zone Speed Limits & Safety Overview

Materials referenced: <https://www.oregon.gov/odot/engineering/pages/school-zones.aspx>

Janet Hruby presented an update on the School Zone Beacon Project. The presentation included information on locations, usage timeframes, function, purpose, monitoring/maintenance, costs, and future funding needs. Clarification provided about signage, enforcement options, and development of school zones. Discussion included different views on the level of efficacy of the flashing beacons with regard to reducing

speeds. Discussion also included was the need to consider additional options for speed reduction, pros and cons of flashing beacons compared to static signs, and other safety concerns near specific schools.

### **Bend Pedestrian Network Implementation Plan Overview**

Materials referenced: <https://www.bendoregon.gov/government/departments/transportation-mobility/traffic-engineering/pedestrian-network-plan>

Janet Hruby provided a truncated (due to time constraints) presentation on the Bend Pedestrian Network Implementation Plan, from the City's Transportation System Plan (TSP). Key background information was provided, including information on data collection and review methods, funding options, process for creating prioritized project list, goals, and next steps. Clarification about limitations with predicting statistics on sidewalk usage. The Board requested City staff return for more in-depth presentation at a future meeting.

## **10. Other Business**

Deschutes County TSP: Commissioner Chang reported that the public comment period for the Deschutes County TSP is now closed; however, special notes (e.g., from City of Bend or BMPO Policy Board) could still be considered. Public input included notable opposition to paved pathway regional connector projects with concerns around homelessness, potential crime, and wildlife migration. It was clarified that the opposing comments were from just a few individuals, whereas the majority of public comments are in support of the connections. Overview of stakeholder input provided to-date and intent to submit stakeholder comments discussed.

2024 Policy Board meeting schedule: Chair Campbell confirmed that meetings will continue to occur on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday at 12:00 p.m. for 2024.

Technical Advisory Committee & Budget Committee: Chair Campbell announced openings in the Technical Advisory Committee and the Budget Committee. Update provided on number of applications received to-date. Application deadline will be extended to December 31, 2023. BMPO Staff requested two Board member volunteers to review applications and make recommendations. Chair Campbell and Councilor Mendez volunteered.

Policy Board member meeting topic requests: Councilor Mendez requested an update on the collaboration between the City of Bend and the Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council (COIC) to pursue long-term sustainable transit funding and any opportunities for the Board to support their efforts.

The next scheduled meeting of the Policy Board is January 19, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. It will be a 2-hour meeting.

## **11. Public Comment**

None.

## **12. Adjournment**

Chair Campbell adjourned the meeting at 1:57 p.m.

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## News from the City of Bend

### Bend MPO Transportation Project Amendment - Public Comment Period

**Post Date:** 12/28/2023 2:30 PM

## BMPO Notice of Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) Amendment

### 21-Day Public Comment Period Open Until January 18, 2024

The [Bend Metropolitan Planning Organization \(MPO\) Policy Board](#) will consider approval of an amendment to the MTIP at their next meeting, on January 19, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Public comments can be submitted via email for the next three weeks to [kkennedy@bendoregon.gov](mailto:kkennedy@bendoregon.gov), or during Public Comment at the hybrid (in-person/online) Bend MPO Policy Board meeting.

In-person meeting information, including a Zoom link to attend online, will be posted to the [Bend MPO Policy Board webpage](#) one week prior to the meeting date.

### Summary of Amendment

PROJECT KEY NUMBER	PROJECT NAME & DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED PROJECT TOTAL	CHANGES
20073	<i>All Roads Transportation Safety (Bend, phase 2).</i> Change the current 4-lane roadway to a 3-lane roadway with center turn lane and bike lanes at Greenwood Ave from 1st Street to 4th Street to improve safety for the traveling public.	\$701,000	<b>Major change in scope:</b> Update project location to show location of work. Update the project name to <i>US20 (Greenwood Ave): 1st St to 6th St (Bend)</i> to reflect the location of work. Slip the Construction phase to start in the federal fiscal year 2025.

Attachment B  
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