

# **Policy Board Meeting**

October 18, 2024

#### Call to Order & Introductions

**Chair Campbell** 



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#### **Policy Board Members**

- Barb Campbell, Chair, City of Bend Councilor (Alternate, David Abbas)
- Phil Chang, Vice Chair, Deschutes County Commissioner (Alternate, Chris Doty)
- Ariel Mendez, City of Bend Councilor
- Mike Riley, City of Bend Councilor
- Omar Ahmed, ODOT Central Oregon Area Manager (Alternate, David Amiton)

#### **BMPO Staff**

- Tyler Deke, Manager
- Andrea Napoli, Senior Planner
- Kelli Kennedy, Program Coordinator

#### **Agency & Consultant Staff**

Janet Hruby, City of Bend

Members of the public, visitors, and presenters will be asked to introduce with name and entity.



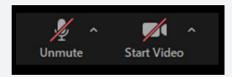
# **Hybrid Meeting Guidelines**

**MPO Staff** 

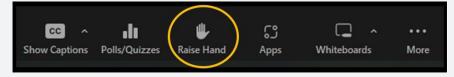


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## **Public Comment**

**Chair Campbell** 



#### **Public Comment**

- Time for members of the public to provide comment.
- Additional time for public comment will be provided before the meeting adjourns.



# **Meeting Minutes**

**Chair Campbell** 



#### **Meeting Minutes**

- Action requested: review and approve the September 20, 2024, Policy Board draft meeting minutes (Attachment A).
  - Recommended language for motion: I move approval of the September 20, 2024, Policy Board draft meeting minutes as presented.



# City Procurement Procedures

**MPO Staff** 



#### City Procurement Procedures

- The MPO and City of Bend entered into an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) to designate the City as the administrative and fiscal agent for the BMPO
- The IGA is silent on procurement procedures
- Using the City's procurement procedures will allow the MPO to meet its planning responsibilities
- Action requested: Consider adoption of Resolution 2024-06 (Attachment B) to allow the MPO to use the City's procurement procedures
  - Recommended language for motion: I move to adopt Resolution 2024-06
    authorizing the MPO to use the City of Bend's procurement policies and
    procedures.



## MPO Bylaws & Establishment IGA

**MPO Staff** 



#### **MPO Bylaws**

- Two primary discussion items
  - Potentially adding Cascades East Transit to the Policy Board
  - Updating voting structure
- Potential small changes
  - Remove specific Census year references
  - Clarify MPO Manager role, including contract signing authority
  - Clarify quorum requirement
  - Other minor revisions
  - Preference for resident members on TAC to also serve on Budget Committee?



#### **MPO Bylaws – Primary Discussion Items**

- Add Cascades East Transit to the Policy Board
  - General support for adding CET?
  - CET representative be the COIC Executive Director or COIC Transportation Director?
- Update voting structure
  - Currently, City of Bend has 3 representatives that receive a combined single vote
  - Desire to allow City representative to have a full vote? Reduce City representatives from 3 to 2?
  - CET have one representative and one vote
  - Voting currently a simple majority is required to approve action items. If City has 3 votes, potentially require a super majority (5 of 6) to approve actions?
  - Other voting options?



#### **MPO Bylaws – Smaller Changes**

- Remove specific Census year references
- Clarify MPO Manager role, including contract signing authority
  - MPO Manager reports to the Policy Board
  - MPO Manager authorized to sign small contracts
- Clarify quorum requirement
  - Current requirement that County, ODOT and 2 of 3 City reps present
  - Change to simple majority? Or 5 of 6 voting reps present?
- Preference for resident members of TAC to also serve on Budget Committee?
- Other minor revisions
  - Provide "regular financial updates". What would the Board like to see? Quarterly financials?
  - Clarify transit entity language to reflect state statute



#### **MPO Bylaws**

- Adding CET will require an amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement establishing the MPO
  - Will require review and approval by County Commission, City Council, ODOT and COIC

#### Questions?

- Next Steps
  - Staff research IGA amendment process and timing
  - Policy Board review draft Bylaw changes
  - Possible changes to TAC Bylaws review at November meeting
  - Staff bring updated schedule to November meeting



# Bend Pedestrian Network Implementation Plan (PNIP)

Janet Hruby, City of Bend





# Pedestrian Plan and Safe Streets Workshop Follow Up

**MPO Update** 

Janet Hruby October 2024

#### Pedestrian Master Plan Update



#### What is the Pedestrian Master Plan?

TSP Program #5 – Pedestrian Program: Create a master plan to identify and prioritize low stress improvements for people walking targeting:

- transit access
- safe routes to schools
- access to parks

TSP Funding Estimate	Schedule
\$200K initial study	Phase 1 done in 2023
\$2 M annual implementation	Build as funding available 2024 -

Also TSP Programs #1 and #6 – Pedestrian/Bicycle Maintenance



#### **Major Tasks and Estimated Timeline**

Inventory

(gaps, type, condition)

Priority Project List

(sidewalk/path & crossings)

**Programs** 

(maintenance, repair, gap fix)

- Phase 1(portion of city) 2023
- Phase 2 (rest of city) > 2026 (TSP Update/ CFEC)
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- Phase 2 (rest of city) > 2026 (TSP Update/CFEC)
- Purchased two sidewalk sweepers and two tool cats 2023/24
  - One funded by city/ one by MPO (thanks!)
- Outline 5- year program plan est. 2025/26
  - Increase maintenance, repair, gap fix per funding

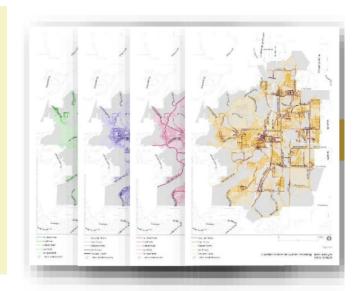


#### Pedestrian Master Plan Phase 1 Tasks (2023)

Developed data analysis tool

#### Data Analysis Tool

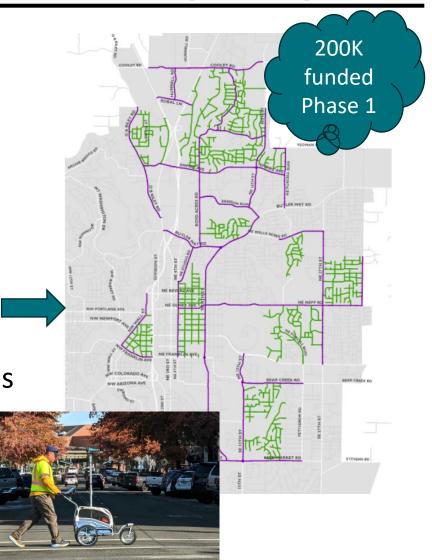
- Inventory condition & gaps
- Disadvantaged Populations
- Destinations/ Population
- Safe Routes to School
- Parks
- Transit/ Mobility Hubs
- Low Stress Crossings
- Crash History
- Speed Limits



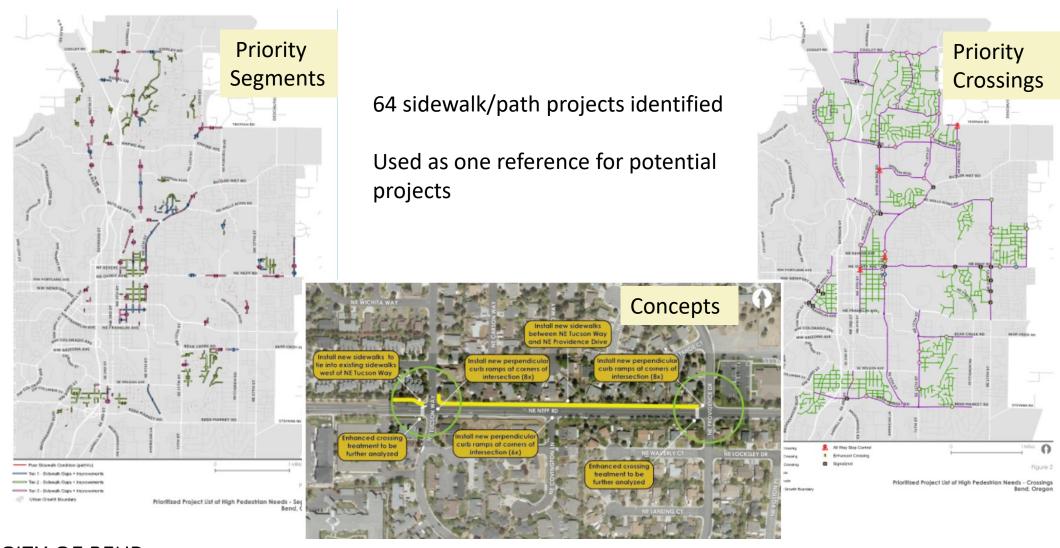
Evaluated data to identify high pedestrian need areas

- Inventoried high pedestrian Need areas
- Prioritized Projects





#### **Phase 1 Prioritized Projects**





#### **Next Steps in Pedestrian Program**

Inventory (gaps, type, condition)

Priority Project List (sidewalk/path & crossings)

Programs (maintenance, repair, gap fix)

 Inventory rest of city - OPM looking at options ahead of TSP update (> 2026)

 Build projects: Go Bond, Capital Projects, TMD Pedestrian Program, grants, development, etc. (ongoing)

 Outline a 5-year program plan (2025/26)





# Think Bike Workshop by Dutch Cycling Embassy – Outcomes & Next Steps

Janet Hruby, City of Bend



#### Safe Streets Workshop Follow Up



#### Why the Dutch?

The Dutch have the highest percent of people who commute by cycling. They lead cycling infrastructure investment through:

- Building projects in phases over time
- Integrating urban planning and transportation to design inviting spaces
- Giving youth freedom to explore their communities in a safe and separated way on their bikes.
- Aligning with goals for lowering pollution and reducing crashes, injuries and fatalities.
- Designing "keep on going" routes for cars and bicycles





#### Safe Streets Workshop July 2023

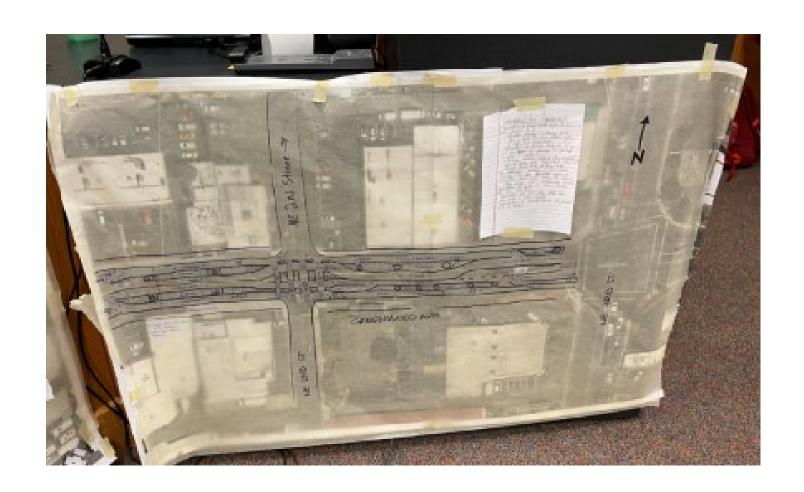
- Public opening presentation
- Workshop Case study community participants
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Street
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Street
  - Bonus greenwood ideas+
- Public closing presentation on experience and concepts
- Recommendations
- Post workshop survey

Thank you to partners MPO, Bend Bikes, attendees, host committee and Sjors and Yost from Haskoning DHV











#### What did participants take away?

# Design for Cars and Bikes

- Separate Users
- Make intuitive
- Improve for bike/ help car
- Build keep on going routes (car, bike – may not be same)

#### Build in Phases

- Takes time
- Long way to go
- Build cross-town spines to start
- Improve as you go

# Be Open to Possibilities

- It doesn't all fit be open to ideas
- Change standards/ reevaluate low stress locations
- Use modal filters
- Try quick build

Positive feedback on workshop, would like to see another topic workshop



#### They are not Cyclists – they just ride bikes

Make it easy for people to pick biking as a travel option:

- Design for the casual rider
- Change language from cyclist to people who ride
- Make routes intuitive
- Prioritize "keep on going" routes
- Integrate walking, biking, driving, transit and building access to create inviting spaces







#### **Recommendations for Bend**

- Pick 2 cross-town routes to build as separated and as fast as possible
  - We are doing too many partial things and isolated routes
  - Building 2 functional cross-town routes will build momentum
- At the same time allocate some funding for easy to build connections
  - Focus on easy build connections to the cross-town routes
  - Use interim solutions for faster extension to reach more people
- Manage Access to reduce conflicts for all users
  - Pick an area to experiment with access control neighborhoods
- Create a policy/gatekeeper and a funding champion
  - Project engineers can build projects and have location specific discuss (not reinvent scope and policy project by project)
  - Get more funding to keep going





#### **How Are We Doing?**

- ✓ Pick 2 cross-town routes to build as separated and as fast as possible
  - in design for 2025-6 construction; increased separation
- ✓ At the same time allocate some funding for easy to build connections.
  - Gap fixes and repairs (bear creek, 15<sup>th</sup> street, restriping, etc.)
  - Looking at quick build options (Portland, 2<sup>nd</sup> Street)
- ✓ Manage Access to reduce conflicts for all users
  - Modal filters added to cross town bikeways
- √ Create a policy/gatekeeper and a funding champion
  - Hired grants coordinator





#### **Other Actions**

- Design for the casual rider
  - Bike Events (roundabout riding demo)
- Build keep on going routes
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Street enhancing crossings
  - Olney and Butler Market raised bike lanes
  - Extensions of the Hawthorne route
- Phase it
  - Greenwood Pilot
- Workshop ideas incorporated into 2<sup>nd</sup> street and 6<sup>th</sup> Street (enhanced crossing, people streets pilot grant, modal filters, bike crossing)









#### Questions?





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# MPO Work Schedule, Strategic Plan & Goals

**MPO Staff** 



#### MPO Work Schedule, Goals & Strategic Plan

- Review 5-year work schedule (focused on federal requirements)
- Discuss development of possible Goals (beyond meeting federal requirements) and a Strategic Plan



BEND MPO 5-YEAR SCHEDULE	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
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PLANS					
Metropolitan Transportation Plan					
Transportation Safety Action Plan					
Public Participation Plan					
Title VI Plan					
Intellegent Transportation Systems Plan			Tenative		
PROGRAMS					
Unified Planning Work Program and Budget					
Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program					
SHF Distrobution & Project Solicitation					
REPORTS, STUDIES, DATA EFFORTS					
Annual Obligation Report					
MPO Boundary					
Transportation Safety Action Plan Implementation	COIC Lead				
Title VI Annual Report & Mapping Updates					
Performance Measures					
Household Travel Survey					
Travel Model Update					
EXTERNAL PROJECTS					
City of Bend CFEC Planning					
US20 Refinement Plan (ODOT)					
Revere Ave Study (ODOT)					
Transit Coordination (approx.)					

#### **Discussion**

- Schedule
  - Full workload through 2025 and into 2026
  - Potential for a new project in mid-2026 through 2027
- Goals & Strategic Plan
  - Prior Policy Board developed goals (for 2017-2019 timeframe)
  - Many larger MPOs have strategic plans
  - Policy Board interest in pursuing either option?
- Request & Next Steps
  - Provide direction to staff on schedule and possible goals and strategic plan
  - Potential new project in 2026? Staff bring ideas to future meeting?
  - Goals and/or Strategic Plan? Staff review plans from other MPOs and present findings at future meeting?



## **Other Business**

Chair Campbell & Staff



#### **Other Business**

- Policy Board agenda item requests
- Budget Committee applications (3 vacancies) subcommittee
- The next meeting of the BMPO Policy Board is scheduled for November 15, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Potential topics:
  - Appoint Budget Committee members
  - FHWA follow-up (OMPOC mtg)?
  - Bird Bikes Update & Next Steps
  - Emergency Evacuation Planning
  - Bend TSAP Update
  - Federal Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Performance Measures
  - 2025 Policy Board Meetings Schedule (tentative)



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# Adjourn

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