

Memorandum

To: Citywide Transportation Advisory Committee

From: Tammy Baney, COIC Executive Director

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Sub: Request to Increase Transit-Related Project Estimates



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COIC would like to thank Bend's Citywide Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) for their continued support and foresight to include public transit-related projects into Bend's Transportation System Plan update. COIC believes a multi-modal approach to transportation planning provides a safe and reliable transportation network for all users.

COIC fully supports the transit-related projects drafted into the City of Bend's Transportation System Plan (TSP); specifically *Project #C-2: Newport Avenue / Greenwood Avenue corridor high-capacity transit*, *Project #C-3: 3rd Street corridor high-capacity transit*, and *Project #C-13: Mobility Hubs*. Cascades East Transit's (the transportation division of COIC) 2040 Transit Master Plan update identifies these needs as well, specifically in Tasks 5 and 6 of the planning process titled *Mobility Services and Fixed-Route Transit Network Analysis* (available here for reference: <http://cetransitplan.com/websites/56/pages/328>)

Currently, the three projects drafted in the Bend TSP have the following funding placeholders.

- Project #C-2: Newport Avenue / Greenwood Avenue corridor high-capacity transit - \$1 million
- Project #C-3: 3rd Street corridor high-capacity transit - \$1 million
- Project #C-13: Mobility Hubs - \$1 million/each, totally \$5 million
- Total Transit-Related Funding: \$7 million

These funding amounts speak to capital infrastructure only, with the assumption that COIC would leverage other funding sources, such as federal and state monies, to operate and maintain the facilities. COIC will absolutely leverage other funding sources to operate and maintain the sites; however COIC is requesting an increase to the capital infrastructure allotments to better reflect the cost of land and infrastructure within the City of Bend. COIC understands that a significant increase in funding request may not be feasible, given the number of projects proposed in the TSP, however COIC is asking for the following:

- Project #C-2: Newport Avenue / Greenwood Avenue corridor high-capacity transit - \$1 million (**plus an additional \$1 million**)
- Project #C-3: 3rd Street corridor high-capacity transit - \$1 million (**plus an additional \$1 million**)
- Project #C-13: Mobility Hubs - \$1 million/each, totally \$5 million (**plus an additional \$500,000 per hub/each, totally \$7.5 million**)
- Total Transit-Related Funding: **\$9.5 million**

COIC believes this additional funding will help fully secure the capital required to deliver these projects to the public.