

Date: June 22, 2022

To: Board of Directors

From: Sam Desue, Jr.

Subject: RESOLUTION NO. 22-06-37 OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE (STFAC)

1. Purpose of Item

This Resolution requests that the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) appoint the members of the Special Transportation Fund Advisory Committee (STFAC).

2. Type of Agenda Item

- Initial Contract
- Contract Modification
- Other: Resolution Appointing Members of STFAC

3. Reason for Board Action

In accordance with state law and the STFAC bylaws, the Board must appoint the members of the STFAC.

4. Type of Action

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

5. Background

TriMet is the state-designated Special Transportation Fund (STF) Agency for Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties. As the STF Agency, TriMet receives applications for Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Public Transit Division STF money from transportation providers within the tri-county area, and acts as the “pass-through” entity to local transit providers of this funding.

Pursuant to state law, the Board appointed the STFAC to advise TriMet concerning the distribution of STF money, which is a part of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF). The STFAC reviews, evaluates, ranks and recommends Board approval of applications for STF funding from local transit providers. The STFAC also provides recommendations for Board approval of projects seeking federal section 5310 funding. Section 5310 funds support capital, capitalized preventative maintenance, and contracted service for seniors and persons with disabilities.

The STFAC must include a broad representation of users of transportation services and providers within the tri-county region. The STFAC includes all interested members of TriMet's Committee on Accessible Transportation (CAT), as well as representatives of aging and disabilities service agencies from Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties; out-of-district transit providers; individual seniors and persons with disabilities from the three counties; individual seniors and persons with disabilities representing out-of-district consumers; Ride Connection and TriMet.

With assistance from TriMet staff, the STFAC formed a nominating committee to identify, recruit, review, and select interested candidates from various backgrounds and experiences to replace eight members who had left the STFAC. The eight proposed new members will bring a variety of personal perspectives that represent the tri-county community, including individuals who use public transportation services for seniors and people with disabilities, as well as individuals who provide transit services for seniors and those with disabilities.

Along with reappointing 14 currently serving members, the STFAC recommends that the Board appoint the following eight new individuals to the committee:

1. Dave Daley, to fill a vacant seat for a senior or person with disabilities who resides in Multnomah County;
2. Nickole Cheron, to fill a vacant seat for a senior or person with disabilities who resides in Multnomah County;
3. Andi Howell, to replace resigning member Tom Strader to represent public transit entities other than TriMet, including a rural transit entity;
4. Richard Kent Matthews, to fill a vacant seat for a senior or person with disabilities who resides in the TriMet service area;
5. Rocky Bixby, to fill a vacant seat for a senior or person with disabilities who resides in the TriMet service area;
6. Carol Bernhard, to fill a vacant seat for a senior or person with disabilities who resides in Clackamas County;
7. Patricia Kepler, to fill a vacant seat for interested persons who are members of the TriMet CAT;
8. Robyn Johnson, to replace resigning member Monika Johnson from Multnomah County Aging, Disability and Veterans Services.

The updated STFAC membership list, including the eight proposed new members (new members shown in bold, underlined text), are included in Exhibit A to this Resolution.

6. Member Recruitment Process

The STFAC membership recruitment effort sought candidates who would be able to represent the diverse needs of seniors and people with disabilities within the tri-county area. The recruitment included outreach to county providers including Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington County, Ride Connection and their transportation partners, TriMet's CAT, other jurisdictions, transit service providers, and recipients of transportation services. Candidates were also identified through Multnomah County Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services, Clackamas County and Ride Connection.

7. Financial/Budget Impact

While passage of this Resolution will have no direct effect on TriMet's budget, adoption of the Resolution will assist the STFAC fulfill its statutory role of ensuring efficient and effective distribution of state and federal funds in a manner that meets the needs of seniors and persons with disabilities in the region, including those served by TriMet.

8. Impact if Not Approved

The failure of the Board to re-appoint and appoint the proposed members of the STFAC would leave several membership positions vacant, and impair the STFAC's ability to effectively perform its work.

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COMMITTEE (STFAC)**

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 391.800 to 391.830, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) has designated TriMet as the Special Transportation Fund (STF) Agency for Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to state law and ODOT's Public Transit Division rules, the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) has constituted the Special Transportation Fund Advisory Committee (STFAC) to advise and assist TriMet in its duties as the STF Agency; and

WHEREAS, the STFAC bylaws provide that the Board shall appoint members to the STFAC;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Board hereby reappoints the existing members and appoints eight new members to the STFAC, to serve through June 30, 2025, as shown on the attached and incorporated Exhibit A.

Dated: June 22, 2022

Presiding Officer

Attest:

Recording Secretary

Approved as to Legal Sufficiency:

Gregory E. Skillman
Legal Department

Exhibit A, pp. 1-2, to RESOLUTION NO. 22-06-37

STFAC Membership

(New Members shown in underlined, bold text)

Membership Category Description	Number of Persons	Committee Members	
		Name	Term Through June 30
Those interested persons who are members of the TriMet Committee on Accessible Transportation (CAT), except the CAT member who is a Board member	Up to 14	Annadiana Johnson	2025
		Jan Campbell, Chair	2025
		Claudia Robertson, Vice Chair	2025
		Leon Chavarria	2025
		<u>Patricia Kepler</u>	2025
Seniors or persons with disabilities who reside in Clackamas County	2	Julie Stephens	2025
		<u>Carol Bernhard</u>	2025
Seniors or persons with disabilities who reside in Multnomah County	2	<u>Nickole Cheron</u>	2025
		<u>Dave Daley</u>	2025
Seniors or persons with disabilities who reside in Washington County	2	Elaine Wells	2025
		Mary Lou Ritter	2025
Seniors or persons with disabilities who reside outside the TriMet District	2	Eric Olson	2025
Staff representatives of the respective County Agencies on Aging and Disability; one per county	3	Rebecca Miller, Washington County	2025
		<u>Robyn Johnson</u> , Multnomah County	2025
		Teresa Christopherson, Clackamas County	2025

Staff representative of TriMet	1	Margo Moore	2025
Staff representative of Ride Connection	1	Julie Wilcke	2025
Staff representatives of public transit entities other than TriMet, including a rural transit entity representative	2	<u>Andi Howell,</u> City of Sandy	2025
		Eric Loomis, City of Wilsonville	2025
Seniors or Persons with Disabilities Living in the Service Area	3	Mike Foley	2025
		<u>Richard Kent Matthews</u>	2025
		<u>Rocky Bixby</u>	2025