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**Joint Public Hearing of Eugene City Council
and Lane Transit District Board of Directors
Harris Hall, 125 East 8th Avenue
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**October 21, 2019
7:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Emily Semple, Betty Taylor, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Greg Evans,
Claire Syrett, Chris Pryor

Councilors Absent: Mike Clark, Greg Evans

Lane Transit District Board Members Present: Carl Yeh, Don Nordin, Emily Secord, Joshua Skov,
Caitlin Vargas, Kate Reid

LTD Board Members Absent: Steven Yett

Mayor Vinis opened the October 21, 2019, public hearing of the Eugene City Council. Lane Transit District Board President Carl Yeh opened the October 21, 2019, public hearing of the LTD Board of Directors.

1. PUBLIC HEARING: MovingAhead

Transportation Planning Engineer Chris Henry introduced the topic of the public hearing.

1. David Wade – advocated for an increase in EmX service to address climate concerns.
2. Christopher Logan – advocated for the ‘no build’ option on River Road.
3. Rob Zako – outlined Better Eugene-Springfield Transportation’s recommendations.
4. Sarah Mazze – advocated for making walking and biking the safest and easiest options.
5. Phil Farrington – asked both bodies to be sensitive to taking land for road expansion.
6. Laura Potter – supported BEST’s Enhanced Corridor Plus plan.
7. Marianne Nolte – spoke in support of BEST’s Enhanced Corridor Plus plan.
8. Phil Barnhart – remarked that transportation and housing plans should be integrated.
9. Jolene Siemsen – supported EmX service on River Road.
10. Mike Eyster – said he did not think EmX was the best option for all routes.
11. Seth Sadofsky – supported safety improvements along with enhanced corridors.
12. Teresa Parker – asked for urgent response to climate change and Enhanced Corridor Plus.
13. Claire Ribaud – wanted publicly funded sidewalks and more climate change action.
14. Jack Taylor – supported reducing emissions while increasing equity and bus service.
15. Matt McRae – asked for best transit system affordable to reduce emissions.
16. Kaarin Knudson – wanted more frequent, reliable service; more housing along corridors.
17. Jim Neu – wanted safer bike/pedestrian corridors to close greenhouse gas gap.
18. Karmen Fore – expressed hopes for more frequent bus service.
19. Barbara Perrin – highlighted the link between transportation and housing.
20. Patty Hine – noted recent climate town hall that surfaced transportation as a top priority.
21. Richard Self – supported more day passes for unhoused people to travel around the city.
22. Julie Daniel – wanted bike and pedestrian safety improvements on all corridors.
23. Nick Dikas – expressed support for packages C and D.

24. Linda Perrine – identified biking as a long-term, climate-sensitive transit option.
25. Meta Maxwell – highlighted the needs of elders; felt climate change not accounted for in plans.
26. Claire Roth – asked for more pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure.
27. Bob Passaro – supported BEST's Enhanced Corridor Plus package.
28. Tiffany Edwards – requested more evidence on EmX options and integrated planning.
29. David Davini – voiced concern about low ridership and increased emissions for EmX lines.
30. Peter Bolander – suggested an express bus service between River Road and downtown.
31. George Rode – supported EmX; concerned about losing parking in front of his business.
32. Jay Harland – said the EmX packages would result in more emissions overall.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Beth Forrest
City Recorder

(Recorded by Cas Casados)

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