



LANE TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORK SESSION

Wednesday, September 07, 2022
5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL MEETING

LTD Board Room
3500 E. 17th Avenue, Eugene
(Directions below)

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AGENDA

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I.	CALL TO ORDER	5:00 p.m.	
II.	ROLL CALL <input type="checkbox"/> Caitlin Vargas (President) <input type="checkbox"/> Pete Knox (Secretary) <input type="checkbox"/> Don Nordin (Vice President) <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant <input type="checkbox"/> Michelle Webber (Treasurer) <input type="checkbox"/> Gino Grimaldi <input type="checkbox"/> Susan Cox		
III.	COMMENTS FROM BOARD PRESIDENT <i>This agenda item provides an opportunity for the Board president to formally communicate with the Board on any current topics or items that may need consideration.</i>		
IV.	COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER <i>This agenda item provides an opportunity for the general manager to formally communicate with the Board on any current topics or items that may need consideration.</i>		
V.	ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADDITIONS TO AGENDA <i>This agenda item provides a formal opportunity for the Board president to announce additions to the agenda, and also for Board members to make announcements.</i>		
A.	MOVINGAHEAD UPDATE: <i>Materials Included</i> [Andrew Martin] Action Needed: None. Information Only	5:05 p.m.	3
B.	BOARD EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION: <i>No Materials Provided</i> [Mark Johnson] Action Needed: Discussion	5:15 p.m.	
C.	SUCCESSFULLY SUPPORTING A NEW GENERAL MANAGER: <i>No Materials Provided</i> [Mark Johnson, Transpro] Action Needed: Discussion	5:25 p.m.	
VI.	EXECUTIVE (NON-PUBLIC) SESSION PURSUANT TO “ORS 192.660(2)(a), to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent.”	6:10 p.m.	
VII.	ADJOURNMENT	6:30 p.m.	

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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

DATE OF MEETING: September 7, 2022

ITEM TITLE: MOVINGAHEAD UPDATE

PREPARED BY: Andrew Martin, Development Planner

DIRECTOR: Tom Schwetz, Director of Planning and Development

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

PURPOSE: To provide an update on the MovingAhead project, including next steps.

BOARD COMMUNICATION: The Board of Directors adopted the Locally Preferred Alternative for each corridor on March 16, 2022. MovingAhead has been discussed by the Board periodically since 2015.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: MovingAhead has conducted public engagement periodically since 2015, most recently holding a public hearing in October 2019. Staff communicate regularly with the public through email, a website, and a newsletter.

STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN: The District’s FY22-24 Strategic Business Plan has five strategic areas of focus. These include 1) Customer Satisfaction 2) Employee Engagement 3) Community Value 4) Financial Health 5) Sustainability. Each of these priorities has tactics, milestones, and performance measures to ensure achievability and accountability. All District projects and matters brought before the Board align with one of these five strategic areas of focus.

This agenda item aligns with the strategic area of: Customer Satisfaction, Community Value, Financial Health, and Sustainability

DESCRIPTION: MovingAhead is a partnership between the City of Eugene and Lane Transit District (LTD) to study potential investments along five major corridors in Eugene – Highway 99, River Road, Downtown to LCC via 30th Avenue, Coburg Road, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. MovingAhead is focused on safety and access for people walking, biking, rolling in mobility devices, and riding transit. Transforming these streets is essential to achieving the City and LTD’s goals and policies, such as Eugene’s Climate Action Plan, Vision Zero Action Plan, the 2035 Transportation System Plan, and LTD’s Long Range Transit Plan.

Through the MovingAhead process, staff have analyzed conceptual designs for different levels of transit investment along each corridor. Public involvement has been a foundational element in the development and screening of conceptual designs and the analysis.

In March 2022, Eugene City Council and LTD’s Board adopted a Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) for each corridor. An LPA sets the high-level vision for street design, transit mode, and safety and access improvements. The LPA included:

Corridor	Mode
Highway 99	Enhanced Corridor
River Road	EmX
30th Avenue to Lane Community College (LCC) via downtown	No-Build [<i>reconsider this corridor after other agency studies and projects are completed</i>]
Coburg Road	Enhanced Corridor [<i>requiring additional study and community engagement</i>]
Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard via downtown	Enhanced Corridor

BACKGROUND: Since 2015, staff at the City of Eugene and LTD have been working with the community to develop and refine street design concepts, transit modes, and options for safety and access investments for each of the corridors. Using designs created by community members at corridor-based workshops, staff analyzed 17 topic areas and published the results for the community in 2018. These topics included impacts to street trees, businesses and property owners, traffic, time savings for LTD buses, safety and other topics. This information was used to conduct three additional public engagement periods, including a public hearing in 2019.

During this period, staff sent out more than 46,000 mailers, held 22 open houses, 3 online open houses, gave more than 60 public presentations, and canvassed more than 500 properties along the five corridors.

All of this work culminated in the selection of an LPA. However, significant work remains in the next phase of the project. Staff are currently in the process of scoping the next steps, which broadly include refining designs from conceptual to detailed, conducting environmental review, and developing a funding strategy for the investments. All of this work will require public engagement. Additionally, LTD's Board and Eugene City Council will have multiple opportunities to weigh in on the process and provide direction to staff.

Staff expect to complete scoping the next steps at a high level this fall and begin procurement for additional consultant support. To complete this work, staff have submitted a grant to the Central Lane MPO for additional funding to advance the project.

Based on this timeline, design refinement and community engagement will begin in early 2023 with River Road and Highway 99 being the first priorities, based on direction from Eugene City Council. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard is already partially funded through an ODOT All Roads Transportation Safety grant. Coburg Road will be considered after the City of Eugene completes additional work to determine how to improve the section of roadway from Ferry Street Bridge to Oakway.

A presentation will be provided to explain this topic in further detail.

CONSIDERATIONS: N/A

ALTERNATIVES: N/A

NEXT STEPS: Staff will continue to scope the next steps in the process and return with an update to the Board with additional details.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION: N/A

PROPOSED MOTION: N/A