

**Date:** April 27, 2016

**To:** Board of Directors

**From:** Neil McFarlane 

**Subject:** **ORDINANCE NO. 343 OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) ADOPTING SERVICE CHANGES, UPDATING ROUTE DESIGNATIONS, AND AMENDING TRIMET CODE CHAPTER 22 (SECOND READING)**

**1. Issue or Purpose of Item**

The purpose of Ordinance No. 343 is to request that the TriMet Board of Directors (“Board”) adopt service changes and update route designations contained in TriMet Code Chapter 22.

**2. Type of Agenda Item**

- Initial Contract
- Contract Modification
- Other: Ordinance

**3. Reason for Board Action**

The Board may adopt service changes and update TriMet Code route designations by ordinance. The TriMet Code may be amended only by adoption of an ordinance.

**4. Type of Action:**

- Resolution
- Ordinance 1<sup>st</sup> Reading
- Ordinance 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Background**

Ordinance No. 343 adopts service changes and updates route designations set forth in TriMet Code Chapter 22. The proposed service changes originate from the District’s Service Enhancement Plan (SEP) process addressing the agency’s 20-year vision for bus service improvements within the TriMet district.

**A. Proposed Service Changes:**

Ordinance No. 343 includes bus service changes for fiscal years 2016 and 2017. In March 2016, bus service improvements provide additional earlier and/or later trips, midday service, route extension, and additional Sunday service. In June 2016, one bus line will be discontinued as service will be replaced by the Explore Washington Park Shuttle during the summer months, and a new bus line of the District will be added between Tualatin and Sherwood.

For FY17, specifically September 2016, the line 71-60<sup>th</sup>/122<sup>nd</sup> Ave will be broken into two separate bus lines at Parkrose Transit Center. One line will continue to run between Parkrose and Clackamas Town Center. The second will run on 122<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and will be renumbered and renamed and have additional weekday rush hour service. Two bus lines will have additional hours of weekday service, one bus line will have weekend service added, and one bus route will be modified. In Spring 2017, two lines will have increased weekday frequency, one line will have additional Sunday service, and one line will extend an additional 10 blocks to serve a new development.

The complete list of proposed Ordinance No. 343 service changes are set forth in Exhibit A and summarized below:

- Earlier and/or later bus trips on 5 bus lines
- Bus service realignment and/or more frequency on 9 bus lines
- Discontinuation of one bus line in Washington Park (seasonal service only)
- Weekend service added in Washington Park and surrounding areas in response to the discontinuation of TriMet seasonal service to the Park
- Addition of one new bus line between Tualatin and Sherwood
- Improvements on a handful of busy lines to relieve overcrowding and improve schedule reliability
- Changes recommended in the Service Enhancement Plans to address growth in jobs and development.

#### **B. Service Change Public Process:**

The proposed Ordinance No. 343 service changes are the result of numerous conversations and meetings with jurisdictions, businesses, community leaders, passengers and other interested parties over the past 18-24 months as part of the SEP process. In addition to outreach activities conducted by TriMet service planners, advertisements regarding the proposed service changes were placed in newspapers across the district, and TriMet's website solicited feedback about the proposed service changes. On February 25, 2016, an Open House and Public Hearing were held at Mount Hood Community College, Parkrose campus to provide information and solicit public comment on the proposed service changes. Approximately 20 people attended the Open House and Public Hearing and provided feedback.

TriMet staff also held a public meeting on February 18<sup>th</sup> at the Rivergrove Elementary School to answer questions and address concerns about the proposed Line 36-Southshore route change. The meeting and proposal were advertised via letter to all addresses within ¼ mile of the route and bus stop postings along Line 36-Southshore Blvd. Twenty-two people attended the meeting. Rivergrove and Lake Oswego residents also submitted comments through letters, emails, and phone calls.

In addition, public comment on the proposed service changes is accepted by phone, email and standard mail. A summary of comments received via these venues was provided to the Board prior to the March 23, 2016 Board meeting. A summary of comments received since the March 23, 2016 meeting will be provided to the Board prior to the April 27, 2016 Board meeting.

Public testimony may also be provided during Public Forum at the April 27, 2016 Board meeting.

### **C. Title VI Transit Equity Analysis:**

In accordance with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Title VI Circular 4702.1B implementing Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, major service changes must be analyzed to identify potential disproportionate impacts to minority and low-income populations. Ordinance No. 343 service changes proposed for March and June 2016 and FY2017 include eight major service changes.

TriMet staff prepared a Title VI service equity analysis (“Report”), which evaluated potential adverse effects and benefits associated with the proposed major service changes. To summarize, the Report finds no disparate impact on minority populations and no disproportionate burden on low-income populations. Minority and low-income populations stand to benefit as much or more than others from service improvements, and are not disproportionately impacted by the few service reductions proposed.

The results and findings of the Title VI service equity analysis were presented to the Board for their consideration at their March 9, 2016 briefing. The final Report was provided to the Board prior to their March 23, 2016 Board meeting.

### **D. Updates to TriMet Code Chapter 22:**

In addition to adoption of the proposed service changes, Ordinance No. 343 adopts updates to route designations set forth in TriMet Code Chapter 22 as set forth in Exhibit A.

## **6. Financial/Budget Impact**

The proposed Ordinance No. 343 service changes will result in a FY 2017 budget impact of approximately \$5.7 million, largely paid for by revenues generated through the 2016 payroll tax increase.

## **7. Impact if Not Approved**

The Board may choose to not conduct a second reading and not adopt Ordinance No. 343 at its April 27, 2016 Board meeting. However, this option is not recommended. The proposed Ordinance No. 343 service changes are needed to enable the agency to continue to serve the growing region, provide for expanded transit service, maintain service capacity and reliability, and make investments to help advance future planned service improvements.

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TRIMET CODE CHAPTER 22**

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET), pursuant to the authority of Oregon Revised Statutes Chapter 267, having considered the transit equity service change analysis final Report, does hereby ordain and decree the following Ordinance:

**Section 1 - Adoption of Service Changes**

Service Changes are adopted as set forth on the attached Exhibit A, which is incorporated into and made part of this Ordinance. In accordance with TriMet Code Section 22.05, new Schedule Notices shall be filed for affected lines.

**Section 2 - Amendment of TriMet Code Chapter 22**

TriMet Code Section 22.05 is amended to make the Route Designation updates set forth on the attached Exhibit A.

**Section 3 – Effective/Operative Dates**

This Ordinance shall take effect thirty days after the date of its adoption. Operative dates for specific Service Changes and Route Designation updates shall be as designated on Exhibit A.

Date Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest:

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Recording Secretary

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Presiding Officer

Approved as to Legal Sufficiency:

  
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Legal Department

**ORDINANCE NO. 343  
EXHIBIT A**

**Service Changes and TriMet Code Chapter 22 Route Designation Updates**

Service Changes are adopted and TriMet Code Chapter 22 Route Designations are updated as set forth below:

**Section 1 - Service Changes**

Affected Lines	Description
	<i>Operative March 6, 2016</i>
12-Barbur/Sandy Blvd	Trips added late night and early morning weekdays to and from Tigard
57-TV Hwy/Forest Grove	Trips added late night and early morning weekdays
87-Airport Way/181 <sup>st</sup> Ave	Trips added midday weekdays between 182 <sup>nd</sup> /Powell and Gateway Transit Center
75-Chavez/Lombard	Extend all weekday evening trips to downtown Milwaukie
72-Killingsworth/82 <sup>nd</sup> Ave	Trips added early morning.
76-Beaverton/Tualatin	Earlier and later trips added on Sundays
78-Beaverton/Lake Oswego	Trips added on Saturdays and Sundays
	<i>Operative June 5, 2016</i>
83-Washington Park Loop	Discontinue service. Service will be replaced by the Explore Washington Park Shuttle during the summer months.
97-Tualatin-Sherwood Rd.	New weekday bus line between Tualatin and Sherwood along Tualatin-Sherwood Rd.
	<i>Operative September 4, 2016</i>
4-Division/Fessenden	Trips added late night and early morning weekdays
32-Oatfield	Trips added in morning and evening weekdays
36-South Shore	Changes to the end of the route to stay on Jean Road to Boones Ferry Road. Discontinue service on Pilkington Road, Childs Road, 65th Avenue and McEwan.
63-Washington Park	Add weekend service (service expansion as part of replacement of line 83 summer weekend service)
71-60 <sup>th</sup> /122 <sup>nd</sup> Ave	Split into two separate bus lines. One line will continue to run on its current route and frequency along 60 <sup>th</sup> Avenue between Parkrose Transit Center and Clackamas Town Center and be called 71-60 <sup>th</sup> Ave. The other line will run on 122 <sup>nd</sup> Ave. and will be numbered 73-122 <sup>nd</sup> Ave with additional weekday rush hour trips.

	<i>Operative Spring, 2017</i>
20-Burnside/Stark	Trips added weekdays and Sundays
21-Sandy Blvd/223 <sup>rd</sup> Ave	Trips added weekdays.
155-Sunnyside Rd	Extend route to new development at 172 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue

Section 2 -Route Designation Revisions to TriMet Code Chapter 22, Section 22.05

Operative June 5, 2016:

Delete **“83-Washington Park Loop”**

Add **“97-Tualatin-Sherwood Rd”**

Operative September 4, 2016:

Revise **“71-60<sup>th</sup>/122<sup>nd</sup> Ave”** to **“71-60<sup>th</sup> Ave”**

Add **“73-122<sup>nd</sup> Ave”**