

**Date:** March 22, 2017

**To:** Board of Directors

**From:** Neil McFarlane 

**Subject:** **ORDINANCE 345 OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) ADOPTING SERVICE CHANGES, UPDATING ROUTE DESIGNATIONS, AND AMENDING TRIMET CODE CHAPTER 22 (FIRST READING)**

**1. Purpose of Item**

Ordinance 345 requests 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 345 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 345 includes bus service changes for fiscal year 2018. In this fiscal year, 5 bus lines will have trips added due to overloads, 4 bus lines will have increased weekday frequencies, 2 bus lines will have increased weekend frequencies or span, and all new weekend service will be added to one bus line. There are 4 bus lines that will have a route change and 3 new bus lines will be added. One route designation will be changed

in response to the City of Hillsboro's Connecting Hillsboro Address Project, where over 150 street names are being changed. The Line 47-Baseline/Evergreen will be changed to the Line 47-Main/Evergreen. The new changes will begin in September 2017 and March 2018.

Quarter	Line	Service Change
<b>September 2017</b>	6 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.	At Vancouver Way the bus will be routed to travel along Union to Hayden Meadows Drive and will have an improved connection to the Delta Park/Vanport MAX station. It will continue on to its current terminus at Jantzen Beach via Interstate 5.
	52 Farmington/185 <sup>th</sup> 44 Capitol Hwy/Mocks Crest and 77 Broadway/Halsey	Increased weekday midday frequency.
	33 McLoughlin/King Rd	Additional trips along King Road on Saturdays and Sundays that result in earlier and later service between Milwaukie and Clackamas Town Center.
	52 Farmington/185 <sup>th</sup>	Increased frequency on Saturdays and Sundays.
	4 Division/Fessenden 12 Barbur/Sandy and 17 Holgate Broadway	Added trip(s) for capacity.
	<b>March 2018</b>	81 Kane Rd/257 <sup>th</sup>
87 Airport Way/181 <sup>st</sup>  82 South Gresham (new line)		Split into two lines. The Line 87 will continue to run between Gateway Transit Center and 182 <sup>nd</sup> /Powell Blvd. All trips between Gateway Transit Center and SE 185th Ave./Rockwood will be extended to SE 182nd Ave. and Powell. The Line 87 will also have new weekend service added.  The southern end of the current line 87 will be combined with the southern end of the line 81. This new line will run between 182 <sup>nd</sup> /Powell and the Gresham Transit Center and continue to Powell Valley Rd and Kane, where the 81 currently runs, and onto SE 1 <sup>st</sup> Street where it will serve the WinCo and Fred Meyer stores.
152 Milwaukie		The route will no longer travel into the Milwaukie Marketplace, nor will it serve

	Lake Road or the Milwaukie Center. It will travel on International Way to Harmony Rd for more direct service to the International Way Industrial Center and Clackamas Community College Harmony Campus and Clackamas Town Center. This line will have increased weekday frequency as well. The Milwaukie Center will continue to be served by its own shuttle and LIFT.
74 162 <sup>nd</sup> Ave (new line)	Service between Airport Way and Powell Blvd., continuing on Powell to SE 148 <sup>th</sup> to Division. This bus line will start as a weekday only route.
42 Denney/Hall (new line)	Service between Beaverton Transit Center and Tigard Transit Center along Lombard, Denney, Scholls Ferry, Hall, and Pacific Highway into the Tigard Transit Center, with a deviation into Washington Square Transit Center along the way.
15 Belmont/NW 23 <sup>rd</sup> 19 Woodstock/Glisan	Added trips for capacity.

The complete list of proposed Ordinance 345 service changes are set forth in Exhibit A.

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

The proposed service changes are the result of numerous conversations and meetings with jurisdictions, businesses, customers, and community stakeholders. In addition to outreach activities conducted by TriMet service planners, advertisements regarding the proposed service changes were placed in newspapers across the district during two phases of outreach.

In November 2016, TriMet launched the initial feedback plan for the proposed service changes. TriMet sent postcards to residents around the lines proposed to change, posted signs at effected stops, published ads in community newspapers, rode buses to handout information, and sent emails to interested parties and riders. TriMet's website solicited feedback about the proposed service changes ([www.trimet.org/busplan](http://www.trimet.org/busplan)).

In February 2017, TriMet used the feedback from the initial phase to update some of the proposed changes and then launched a second round of outreach including community newspaper ads, postcards, riding the buses to hand out information, and emails to interested parties.

On February 28, 2017, TriMet hosted an Open House at the Portland Building to provide information and solicit public comment on the revised proposal. Approximately 14 people attended the Open House and provided feedback. In addition, public comment on the proposed service changes is accepted by phone, email and standard mail. A summary

of comments received via these avenues will be provided to the Board prior to the March 22, 2017, Board meeting. Opportunity for public testimony will be provided during the March 22, 2017, Board meeting.

A summary of comments received since the March 22, 2017, meeting will be provided to the Board prior to the April 26, 2017, Board meeting.

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

In accordance with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Title VI Circular 4702.IB 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 345 service changes include eleven 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 Title VI concerns are minimal with the proposed service changes outlined in Ordinance 345. The proposed service changes improve service significantly for minority and low-income populations, with only two improvements (to the Lines 33 and 152) serving areas with relatively low minority populations. The Line 152 improvement also serves a relatively low proportion of low-income households as compared to the TriMet district. However, improving service on these lines does not raise concerns of an inequitable distribution of benefits given: a) the results of the system-level analysis; and b) that the other 8 lines proposed for improvements did not have any line-level Disparate Impacts or Disproportionate Burdens. The one proposed service reduction (to the Line 152) also does not appear to create disproportionate and adverse effects given the low concentrations of minority and low-income populations potentially impacted.

The results and findings of the Title VI service equity analysis were presented to the Board for their consideration at their February 22, 2017, meeting. The final Report will be provided to the Board prior to their March 22, 2017, meeting.

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

Service changes proposed in Ordinance 345 will result in a FY2018 budget impact of approximately \$6.4 million, largely paid for by revenues generated by the 2016 payroll tax increase.

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

The Board may choose to not conduct a first reading and public hearing for Ordinance 345 at its March 22, 2017, meeting. This option, however, is not recommended. The proposed service changes enable TriMet to continue to serve the growing region, provide expanded service, and maintain service capacity and reliability.

**ORDINANCE NO. 345**

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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 in 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.

Dated: March 22, 2017

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Presiding Officer

Attest:

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Recording Secretary

Approved as to Legal Sufficiency:

  
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Legal Department

**ORDINANCE NO. 345  
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 September 3, 2017</i>
6 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.	Route change to include Hayden Meadows Drive
33 McLoughlin/King Rd	Trips added on Saturdays and Sundays between Milwaukie TC and Clackamas TC along King Rd. early and late to better match the McLoughlin corridor span of service.
44-Capitol Hwy/Mocks Crest	Trips added weekday midday on the portion of the line from downtown Portland to St. John's.
52 Farmington/185 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	Trips added weekday and weekend midday
77 Broadway/Halsey	Trips added weekday midday
	<i>Operative March 2018</i>
81 Kane Rd/257 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	Route change to Division, Kane, 25 <sup>th</sup> , Graham, Swigert.
87 Airport Way/181 <sup>st</sup> Ave.	Split into 2 routes. Line 87 will serve between Gateway TC, Airport Way, 181/182 <sup>nd</sup> to Powell Blvd. All trips between Gateway Transit Center and SE 185th Ave./Rockwood will be extended to SE 182nd Ave. & Powell. New Saturday and Sunday service will be added. New weekday only bus line will be created south of Powell.
152 Milwaukie	Route change International Way to Harmony Rd. No longer serving Milwaukie Marketplace, Milwaukie Center or Lake Road. Added weekday trips.
42 Denney/Hall	New line between Beaverton Transit Center and Tigard Transit Center via Lombard, Denney, Scholls Ferry Rd, Washington Square Transit Center, Hall Blvd, Pacific Hwy. and into Tigard Transit Center. Weekday service.

Affected Lines	Description
74 162 <sup>nd</sup> Ave.	New line on NE/SE 162 <sup>nd</sup> Ave between Airport Way and Powell Blvd., continuing on Powell to SE 148 <sup>th</sup> to SE Division. Weekday service.
82 South Gresham	New weekday line that takes the southern portions of both the line 87 and the line 81. Weekday service between SE 182 <sup>nd</sup> /Powell to Gresham TC and continuing on to Powell Valley Road and Kane to SE 1 <sup>st</sup> Street.

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

Operative September 3, 2017

Revise “47 Baseline/Evergreen” to “47 Main/Evergreen”

Operative March 2018:

Add “42 Denney/Hall”

Add “74 162<sup>nd</sup> Ave.”

Add “82 South Gresham”