

**Date:** October 24, 2018**To:** Board of Directors**From:** Doug Kelsey**Subject:** **RESOLUTION 18-10-71 OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) APPROVING THE UNIFIED SERVICE ENHANCEMENT PLAN AND ITS SUBAREA ADDENDA****1. Purpose of Item**

This resolution adopts the Unified Service Enhancement Plan (SEP) along with the five subarea plans as addenda. The Unified SEP and the subarea addenda encompass all the new and improved bus service approved by the HB2017 Advisory Committee plan.

**2. Type of Agenda Item**

- Initial Contract  
 Contract Modification  
 Other: Adoption of the Unified Service Enhancement Plan

**3. Reason for Board Action**

The Oregon HB2017 rules require that the service and funding plan submitted to the Oregon Transportation Commission and ODOT be part of an adopted plan. The TriMet Board has had updates regarding the five subarea SEPs and, over the last two years, new services have been deployed based on the SEPs, however, the board has not formally adopted them. This resolution would adopt the Unified SEP along with the original five subarea plans (as addenda).

**4. Type of Action**

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

**5. Background**

House Bill 2017 is a \$5.3 billion package for improvements in Oregon's transportation systems. It includes a new employee payroll tax specifically for transit, which will benefit public transportation throughout the state. TriMet's expected share will grow to approximately \$50 million annually, with funds becoming available in 2019. In order to be eligible for this funding, the programs and activities that it will fund must be part of an adopted plan.

Between 2012 and 2016, TriMet engaged with riders, businesses, and community organizations to develop a shared vision for how transit will continue to support the growth in

the region and get people where they need to go over the next 20 years. Out of this effort came TriMet's five regional Service Enhancement Plans (SEPs) that describe the transit service improvements envisioned in the TriMet district. The Unified Service Enhancement Plan is an update and incorporation of the original regional SEPs with 2018 data and priorities.

The HB2017 Advisory Committee advises the TriMet Board of Directors on the development of a plan for the use of funds received under HB2017 that must be submitted to the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC). The plan submitted to ODOT and the OTC require that the submittal requests be part of an adopted plan. The regional SEP's have not been adopted by the TriMet Board of Directors. The regional SEP's have been incorporated into one document as the Unified Service Enhancement Plan. The Unified SEP include the five subarea plans as well as 2018 updates. The Unified Plan is in line with the spirit of the original SEPs and propose further expansion of existing transit lines or creation of new lines or extended hours of service.

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

There is no direct budget impact of this action. However, having an adopted plan is necessary for TriMet to receive funding under the HB2017 application process.

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

Not having an adopted plan to submit to ODOT and OTC will mean that TriMet would not be eligible to receive funding for the additional bus service listed in the plan.

**RESOLUTION 18-10-71**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) APPROVING THE UNIFIED SERVICE ENHANCEMENT PLAN AND ITS SUBAREA ADDENDA**

**WHEREAS**, the Oregon Legislature passed HB2017, Or Laws 2017 Chapter 750, which dedicates new revenue for mass transit; and

**WHEREAS**, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) rules require that HB2017 funds can only be used to fund expanded services that are part of an adopted plan; and

**WHEREAS**, TriMet staff have worked with a broad cross section of the region through a comprehensive community engagement and outreach program to develop and refine Service Enhancement Plans for five sub-areas within the region; and

**WHEREAS**, the five subarea plans have been updated and combined into the Unified Service Enhancement Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has appointed a HB2017 advisory committee to develop recommendations regarding the proposed uses of HB2017 and that committee has reviewed and recommended the use of additional funding in accordance with the Unified SEP and the subarea plans as outlined in the attached Exhibit; and

**WHEREAS**, the TriMet Board desires to adopt the Unified Plan and the subarea plan as addenda as set forth in this Resolution;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. That the Unified Service Enhancement Plan and subarea addenda attached as Exhibit A to this Resolution is incorporated into and made part of this Resolution.
2. That the TriMet Board approves the Unified Service Enhancement Plan and the subarea addenda.

Dated: October 24, 2018

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Presiding Officer

Attest:

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Recording Secretary

Approved as to Legal Sufficiency

  
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Legal Department