



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

MINUTES

March 24, 2026

5:30 p.m.

Santiam Room, City Hall/VIRTUAL

Approved: April 28, 2026

Call to Order

Chair Frankie McCullough called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Chair Frankie McCullough, Chuck Kratch, Nichole Case, Alex Rice, Daniel Koenig, and Will de la Rocha

Members absent: Vice-Chair Nolan Streitberger (excused)

Staff present: Civil Engineer I Andrew Monaco, Public Works Director Paul Trombino, and Engineering Clerk III Anita Dodd

Others present: Wanda Scheler, and Billy McGregor

Approval of February 24, 2026, Minutes

5:31 p.m.

Daniel Koenig moved to approve the February 24, 2026, minutes with one correction, Nichole Case seconded the motion, and the motion passed 6-0.

Public Comment

5:33 p.m.

The commission heard public safety concerns regarding Knox Butte Road and Expo Parkway NE following recent serious incidents. A crosswalk and a possible roundabout were proposed to address traffic and pedestrian safety. Public Works Director Paul Trombino recommended conducting a safety analysis to determine how best to improve safety in the area, then coordinating with the Albany City Council on potential funding. The commission agreed that safety improvements are needed.

Chair Frankie McCullough moved to perform a safety analysis, Kratch seconded the motion, and the motion passed 6-0.

Scheduled Business

5:57 p.m.

Billy McGregor, primary staff member for the Albany Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO), gave a presentation on Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding. He outlined eligible project types, annual funding levels, project scoring criteria, and examples of recently funded projects within the MPO area. McGregor also explained the application process, the role of the Technical Advisory Committee and Policy Board, and how state fund exchange affects project requirements. He noted that jurisdictions apply during a single annual funding cycle and that projects are selected based on scoring, not by jurisdiction caps. The commission asked questions regarding project eligibility, multimodal projects, funding distribution, and coordination with other

agencies, and a follow-up discussion covered competition for funds within the MPO region and how criteria are being updated.

Business from the Commission

6:23 p.m.

Chuck Kratch briefly discussed scheduling The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) for an upcoming meeting, noting it had been over a year since their last visit. Civil Engineer I Andrew Monaco agreed to reach out and arrange a future appearance.

Kratch also asked Trombino to share information about his background. Trombino introduced himself, outlining his previous roles in Colorado, Wisconsin, and Iowa, and expressed enthusiasm for working with the commission and engaging regularly in meetings. He highlighted upcoming priorities, including data-driven transportation planning, the development of and incorporation of a Vision Zero plan into the Transportation System Plan.

Kratch additionally expressed interest in better coordination with ODOT and discussed following up on funding and timelines for downtown ODOT projects, and other commissioners agreed.

Business from the Staff

6:36 p.m.

Monaco reported that he has submitted the request for an ODOT speed study on Ferry Street, as discussed at the previous meeting. He is unsure of the study's timeline but will provide an update once more information is available.

Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Tuesday, April 28, 2026.

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Chair McCullough adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

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Anita Dodd
Clerk III

Andrew Monaco
Engineering Associate I

**Documents discussed at the meeting that are not in the agenda packet are archived in the record. The documents are available by emailing cityrecorder@albanyoregon.gov.*