



COUNCIL WORK SESSION

City Hall Council Chambers, 10501 SE Main Street
& Zoom Video Conference (www.milwaukieoregon.gov)

MINUTES

APRIL 15, 2025

Council Present: Councilors Adam Khosroabadi, Robert Massey, Rebecca Stavenjord, and Council President Will Anderson, and Mayor Lisa Batey

Staff Present: Joseph Briglio, Assistant City Manager
Ryan Burdick, Police Chief
Ryan Dyar, Associate Planner
Jennifer Garbely, City Engineer
Justin Gericke, City Attorney
Brent Husher, Library Director

Kelly Lamm, Library Manager
Nicole Madigan, Deputy City Recorder
Emma Sagor, City Manager
Scott Stauffer, City Recorder
Glen Suchanek, Behavioral Health Specialist
Laura Weigel, Planning Manager

Councilor Khosroabadi called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. and noted that Mayor Batey and Council President Anderson were participating by video conference.

1. Transportation System Plan (TSP) Update, Part 2 – Report

Dyar continued to review updates to the TSP, discussing the application of multimodal functional classifications of transit modes and routes across the city.

Councilor Stavenjord arrived in-person at 4:06 p.m.

Councilor Massey and **Dyar** remarked on whether the TSP captures conflicts between different types of transit modes. The group noted the role of the city's engineering team in reconciling conflicting transit modes when designing new infrastructure.

Councilor Stavenjord and **Weigel** commented on known nodes of transit conflicts, such as heavily used intersections and where Milwaukie roadways connect to City of Portland or Clackamas County roads. **Garbely** reported that engineering had met with county staff for specific project routes that cross jurisdictional lines. **Dyar** and **Matt Hughart**, consultant with Kittleson and Associates, explained how the city designated transit modes and where those designations conflict with neighboring jurisdictions.

Council President Anderson arrived in-person at 4:20 p.m.

Mayor Batey and **Dyar** remarked on bicycle and pedestrian designations along Johnson Creek Boulevard and other routes. The group observed that the maps in the TSP had been informed by the Transportation System Plan Advisory Committee (TSPAC) and that some were aspirational and did not reflect current conditions.

Mayor Batey expressed concern that the TSP prioritized cyclists over pedestrians.

Council President Anderson and **Mayor Batey** commented on differences in bicycle stress designations. **Dyar** and **Garbely** reported that the city was not meeting many stress designations and **Hughart** discussed ways to achieve lower stress designations, noting challenges of meeting aspirational designations. The group remarked on how the city could reduce cyclist stress levels on existing roads.

Hughart and **Weigel** provided an overview of the TSP update project timeline. The group noted that the TSP should be updated about every 20 years to reflect changing community priorities related to transportation projects.

Mayor Batey asked if the 2007 TSP project list had been reviewed, noted there should be aspirational and regional projects in the TSP, and asked that a crosswalk across 37th Avenue to the Minthorn Springs Natural Area be added to the projects list.

Council President Anderson asked about projects that might be grouped together and whether TSP projects could be presented with funding mechanisms. **Councilor Massey** expressed interest in presenting the years of work on the TSP update to the public and **Sagor** noted how the updated TSP would inform the city's next budgeting process.

Council President Anderson appreciated that the TSP had aspirational projects.

Hughart reviewed the evaluation criteria for prioritizing TSP projects. **Councilor Khosroabadi** commented on using an equity approach to prioritize TSP projects. The group remarked on the number of pedestrian projects on the TSP projects list.

Mayor Batey liked the evaluation criteria for the TSP projects and believed the criteria should be used for bigger projects and not smaller Spot Program projects. **Weigel**, **Sagor**, and **Garbely** remarked on the importance of evaluating all size of projects.

2. Behavioral Health and Houseless Services – Update

Sagor, **Burdick**, **Brandi Johnson** and **Don Holden** with the community services organization LoveOne, **Suchanek**, **Husher**, and **Lamm** provided an update on ongoing health and houseless services work. They noted the use of outreach specialists to supplement the city's work, efforts to secure additional funding for outreach work, how Milwaukie Police Department (MPD) and Leding Library staff were working with other agencies to track cases and provide resources to community members in need.

Councilor Khosroabadi asked about funding concerns and barriers to service. The group noted how LoveOne and other services were currently funded, reported that a cold weather emergency shelter would open in downtown Milwaukie this year, and remarked on whether the number of long-term camps and the need for social support service had increased in Milwaukie. **Johnson** and **Suchanek** noted that barriers to access included a lack of housing and unrestricted funding, the slow pace of connecting county and healthcare services, and observed that instability in income created challenges.

Mayor Batey reported on an expected audit on how the metro area counties had spent their Metro Supportive Housing Services (SHS) funds.

3. Legislative and Regional Issues – Discussion

Stauffer reported the status of bills in the state legislature that the city had been tracking, and the group discussed the status of various bills and whether Council should send letters of support or opposition to state legislators. **Stauffer** asked Council to think about agenda topics for the May 13 Council visit with the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde.

4. Adjourn

Council President Anderson adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


 Scott Stauffer, City Recorder