



Date:

October 24, 2018

To:

Board of Directors

From:

Doug Kelsey

Subject:

RESOLUTION 18-10-70 OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) APPOINTING SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND ADVISORY

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS** 

#### 1. Purpose of Item

This Resolution renews and appoints new members to the Special Transportation Fund Advisory Committee (STFAC). The STFAC assists TriMet in implementation of the State of Oregon Special Transportation Fund (STF) Program, and represents seniors and persons with disabilities, as well as service providers and other interested parties, in ensuring coordinated and efficient transportation for seniors and persons with disabilities in the Portland region.

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		Initial Contract
		Contract Modification
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#### 3. Reason for Board Action

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State law requires that the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) appoint members of the STFAC.

# 4. Type of Action Resolution Ordinance 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Ordinance 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Other

#### 5. Background

Pursuant to state law and Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) administrative rules implementing the STF program, the Board is required to appoint members to the STFAC to advise and assist TriMet in carrying out its duties as the Special Transportation Fund Agency (STF Agency) for Multnomah, Clackamas, and Washington counties. The STFAC advises TriMet on the distribution of federal and state funds that support transportation for a range of needs offered to seniors, persons with disabilities, and other special transportation in the region. In addition, the STFAC helps to guide the update of the Coordinated Transportation Plan (CTP) for seniors and persons with disabilities, which helps with future STF and federal section 5310 funding allocation decisions. The CTP is updated approximately every four years

and was most recently updated in 2016, with the goal of making sure that all public transportation services for seniors and persons with disabilities are well-coordinated, efficient, and best meets the needs of the three-county area, both inside and outside the TriMet District.

The funding distributed through the STFAC process goes to vitally needed transportation services in the region, including but not limited to:

- Additional TriMet LIFT service as well as paratransit provided by agencies such as Wilsonville SMART.
- Accessible and demand-responsive service for seniors and persons with disabilities in Sandy, Canby, Molalla, and Wilsonville.
- Mt Hood Express, serving seniors and persons with disabilities along Highway 26 in the City of Sandy, Government Camp, and Mount Hood Timberline.
- A range of services provided by Clackamas County Consortium for those with special needs in Clackamas County.
- Various shuttles and transportation programs by a variety of organizations offering community transportation

Pursuant to ODOT administrative rules (OAR 732-005-0031), the STFAC operates by written bylaws that were most recently amended by the Board in 2016. State law (ORS 391.820), requires that the Board determine the STFAC membership categories and the number of members assigned to those categories. These membership categories include interested members of TriMet's Committee on Accessible Transportation, seniors and persons with disabilities from specific portions of the region, transportation providers, and public entity representatives.

On September 21, 2018, the STFAC nominated and voted to recommend renewal of member terms coming up for expiration and to add new members to vacant positions on the committee. New members proposed are:

- Annadiana Johnson, a member of the Committee on Accessible Transportation (CAT), is recommended to fill one of the 14 CAT positions on the STFAC. Annadiana is a representative of Elders in Action and Age Friendly Evaluations of Businesses.
- Rebecca Miller, a member of the Committee on Accessible Transportation (CAT), is recommended to fill one of the 14 CAT positions on the STFAC. Rebecca is a Planning and Development Specialist for Multnomah County Aging, Disability, & Veterans Services Division.
- Ryan Skelton, a member of the Committee on Accessible Transportation (CAT), is recommended to fill one of the 14 CAT positions on the STFAC. Ryan is affiliated with Independent Living Resources, Independent Living Specialist, Healthshare Community Advisory Council, and a licensed clinical psychologist serving the disability community.
- Elaine Wells is recommended to fill a vacant position representing a senior or person with disabilities who resides in Washington County. Elaine previously served on the STFAC as the staff representative of Ride Connection. She retired as the Executive Director of Ride Connection on June 30, 2018, and continues to work towards improving access to transportation options for all.

- Ron Thompson is recommended to fill a vacant position representing a senior or person with disabilities who resides in Washington County. He previously represented seniors or persons with disabilities living in the service area on the STFAC.
- Eric Olson is recommended to fill a vacant position representing seniors or persons
  with disabilities who reside outside the TriMet District. Eric has lived in Mulino for
  15 years and has worked in social work for 32 years as an Executive Director and direct
  service worker. He's been volunteering for over 5 years for the Aging Services
  Advisory Council of Clackamas County and is a committee member of Age Friendly
  Communities and Adult Center Liaison.
- Mjere Simantel, the Disability, Aging, and Veteran Services Program Supervisor for Washington County Department of Health and Human Services, is recommended as the representative from Washington County.
- Monika Johnson, the Administrative Analyst for Multnomah County Aging, Disability, and Veteran Services Division, is recommended as the representative from Multnomah County for the STFAC. The position was previously held by Monica Sandgren.
- Julie Wilcke, the new Executive Director for Ride Connection, is recommended as the representative from Ride Connection. The position was previously held by Elaine Wells.
- Elli Work, the Grants and Programs Manager for SMART, is recommended as the representative from the City of Wilsonville for the STFAC. The position was previously held by Eric Loomis.
- Mike Foley is recommended to fill a vacant position representing seniors or persons with disabilities living in the service area. Mike is a Milwaukie resident and currently serves on the Oregon Office on Disability and Health Advisory Committee, the Regional Americans with Disability Act Advisory Council, the Low Vision Advisory Council for Community Vision, the Aging Service Advisory Council in Clackamas County, the Clackamas County Age Friendly Community Advisory Council, and Leaders for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Council, Clackamas County.

The committee recommended that the terms of members whose terms expired be extended for another 3-year term. For those persons who are members of the CAT, terms of service on the STFAC will be concurrent with the person's current term of service on the CAT.

This Resolution appoints STFAC members consistent with the ODOT guidance as to the governing body's responsibility for appointment of STFAC members. The individuals designated for appointment or renewal to the STFAC are set forth in Exhibit A to the attached Resolution. New members to be appointed are indicated in bold in Exhibit A. An existing member whose term is recommended to be renewed is reflected in bold in the year the appointment will now end.

### 6. STFAC Recruitment Process

Candidates to fill the STFAC membership positions have been identified through TriMet's Committee on Accessible Transportation, other jurisdictions, service providers, and recipients of transportation services to represent the diverse needs of seniors and persons with disabilities.

## 7. Diversity

Staff and STFAC members continue to seek new members to fill vacant positions on the STFAC who will provide for greater cultural and ethnic diversity in the membership of the committee. Recruitment efforts have included outreach through many partner organizations that work on behalf of underrepresented communities and the county's agencies on aging, disabilities, and veteran's services.

#### 8. Financial/Budget Impact

There is no direct budget impact of this action. However, adoption of the Resolution will assist the STFAC in its role of ensuring efficient and effective distribution of state and federal funds in a manner that meets the needs of seniors and persons with disabilities in the region.

# 9. Impact if Not Approved

The Board's adoption of this Resolution is necessary to keep the STFAC in compliance with applicable state law and rules governing the operations of the STFAC. Failure to appoint STFAC members could potentially risk funding for services to seniors and persons with disabilities provided by TriMet and by other jurisdictions and non-profits around the region both inside TriMet's district and beyond (including Wilsonville, Canby, Sandy, and other portions of Clackamas County outside the TriMet district).

#### **RESOLUTION 18-10-70**

RESOLUTION OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) APPOINTING SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

WHEREAS, TriMet is designated by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), Public Transit Division, pursuant to ORS 391.800 to 391.830, as the Special Transportation Fund (STF) Agency for Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to state law and ODOT administrative rules, the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) has constituted the Special Transportation Fund Advisory Committee (STFAC) to assist the agency in its duties as the STF Agency; and

WHEREAS, the TriMet Board desires to appoint STFAC members as set forth in this Resolution;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. That the TriMet Board hereby appoints members to the STFAC as set forth below:
  - (a) The individuals named in Exhibit A are hereby appointed to the STFAC as members for the length of term designated.
- 2. That this Resolution supersedes in its entirety the provisions of all prior resolutions that pertain to the matters addressed herein.

Dated: October 24, 2018	
	Presiding Officer
Attest:	<b>U</b>
Recording Secretary	
	Approved as to Legal Sufficiency
	Legal Department

# Exhibit A; Resolution 18-10-70 STFAC Member Roster

Membership Category Description	Number of	Committee Members	
	Persons	Name	Term Through June 30
Those interested persons	Up to 14	Annadiana Johnson	2020
who are members of the TriMet Committee on		Claudia Robertson, Vice Chair	2019
Accessible Transportation		Deidre Hall	2019
(CAT), except the CAT		Jan Campbell, Chair	2019
member who is a Board		Leon Chavarria	2019
member		Patricia Kepler	2019
		Rebecca Miller	2020
		Ryan Skelton	2020
		Zoe Presson	2020
Seniors or persons with	2	Caren Topliff	2021
disabilities who reside in Clackamas County	_	Dick Jones	2021
Seniors or persons with	2	Andrea Belcher	2020
disabilities who reside in Multnomah County		Vacant	
Seniors or persons with	2	Elaine Wells	2021
disabilities who reside in Washington County		Ron Thompson	2020
Seniors or persons with	2	Eric Olson	2021
disabilities who reside outside the TriMet District		Glenn Koehrsen	2021
Staff representatives of the respective County Agencies	3	Mjere Simantel, Washington County	2021
on Aging and Disability; one per county		Monika Johnson, Multnomah County	2021
		Teresa Christopherson, Clackamas County	2021
Staff representative of TriMet	1	Margo Moore	2021
Staff representative of Ride Connection	1	Julie Wilcke	2021
Staff representatives of public transit entities other than	2	Andi Howell, City of Sandy	2020
TriMet, including a rural transit entity representative		Elli Work, City of Wilsonville	2021
Seniors or Persons with	4	David Keyes	2021
Disabilities Living in the		George Payne	2021
Service Area		Mary Lou Ritter	2020
		Mike Foley	2021