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Communication

Request of Chris Reid to address Council regarding SW Capitol Highway Rose Lane Project effect on Hillsdale

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A brief description of Communication: Capitol Hwy Rose Lane Effect on Hillsdale

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October 26, 2022

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[2022.09.28 Email re Bus-Only on Beaverton Hillsdale Hwy.pdf](#)
[2022.10.26 CBR City Council Comments.pdf](#)
[2022.10.26 City Council message - Westbound CapHwy pic 10.17.22 5.30pm.pdf](#)
[Hillsdale Coverletter City Council Meeting 2022.10.26 Packet.pdf](#)

Hello Council Clerk,

Per a request this morning, please find the .pdf versions of the documents in the packet you passed out to the City Council on my behalf.

Thank you,
Chris

Ardys Braidwood
Chris Braidwood-Reid
Wardin Investment Co, LLC.
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503-295-6958 office

From: Council Clerk <no-reply@zoom.us>
Sent: Wednesday, October 26, 2022 8:20 AM
To: wardinproperties@gmail.com
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Hi 874. Chris Reid,

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Thank you for registering for "City Council Meeting - Wednesday, October 26, 2022 9:30 a.m.".

Visit <https://linktr.ee/CouncilClerk> to view the agenda, testimony order, and more information about participating in the meeting.

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Date Time: Oct 26, 2022 09:30 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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MAP OF HILLSDALE



KEY:

-  SW Capitol Hwy and SW Sunset Red BAT lane paint makes it confusing for westbound cars that want to turn right onto Sunset.



-  Cars are starting to use Chetlham to Dewitt to detour from the Sunset intersection because of the confusion caused by the red paint (shown as  above) at the Capitol Hwy & Sunset intersection.
-  SW Dewitt and SW Pendleton are two streets that we have asked PBOT to add to their list of streets to collect preconstruction baseline traffic counts. We have not received confirmation this has happened.
After five weeks of the Capitol Hwy Rose Lane installation, cars are already taking detours to avoid the SW Capitol Hwy and Sunset intersection.
-  Request Commissioner Hardesty to make this field trip to Hillsdale during evening peak hour to experience firsthand how the Capitol Hwy Rose Lane Project is affecting the southside of Capitol businesses. From SW Barbur Blvd, turn onto SW Capitol Hwy. Once in Hillsdale turn left into the southside parking lot. Then exit.

Please email HillsdalePDXhabp@gmail.com with your experience.

From: Sharon Keast <sharon.keast@portlandoregon.gov>
Sent: Monday, October 24, 2022 4:02 PM
To: HillsdalePDXhbpa@gmail.com
Subject: Civic Life Southwest

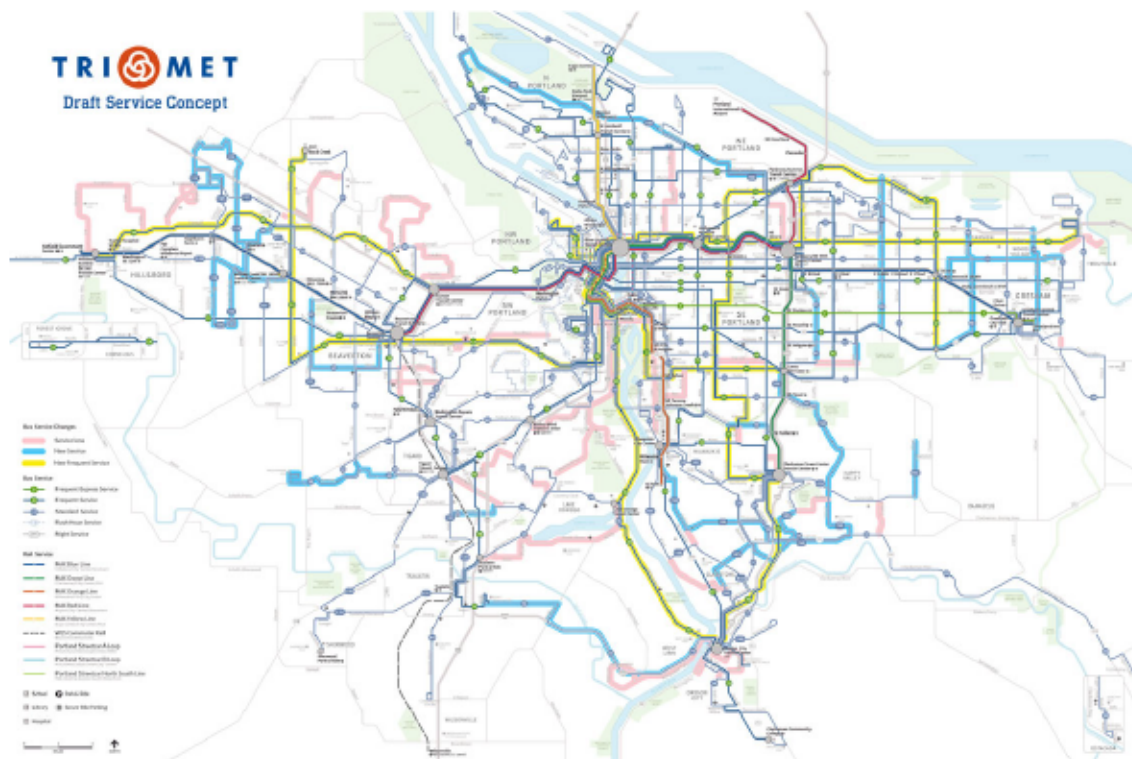
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TriMet Forward Together Proposal

TriMet has proposed changes to bus routes and invites your feedback on their Draft Service Concept by **October 31**. Impacts to bus routes in Southwest are listed below.

- **1-Vermont**
service loss
- **35-Macadam/Greeley**
improved service
- **36-South Shore**
discontinue
- **37-Lake Grove**
discontinue
- **38-Boones Ferry Rd**
discontinue
- **39-Lewis & Clark**
discontinue
- **43-Taylors Ferry Rd**
route change
- **44-Capitol Hwy/Mocks Crest**
route change
- **51-Vista**
route change
- **54-Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy**
improved service

- **55-Hamilton**
discontinue
- **56-Scholls Ferry Rd**
route change
- **61-Marquam Hill/Beaverton**
discontinue
- **64-Marquam Hill/Tigard**
discontinue
- **65-Marquam Hill/Barbur Blvd**
discontinue
- **66-Marquam Hill/Hollywood**
discontinue
- **68-Marquam Hill/Collins Circle**
discontinue
- **94-Pacific Hwy/Sherwood**
discontinue
- **96-Tualatin/I-5**
discontinue



Virtual Open House
Thursday, October 27th
5:30 - 7:00 pm

[Zoom Link to Join the Meeting](#)

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Small Grants and Sponsorships

Information Session
Wednesday, October 26
12:00 - 1:30pm

Contact Leah Fisher, Leah.Fisher@PortlandOregon.gov, 503-865-6788 to register.



From: Anne Graff <anne3graff@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 12:31 PM
To: hillsdalepdxhbpa@gmail.com
Subject: Bus-Only Lane on Beaverton Hillsdale Highway

Flag Status: Flagged

Hello,

Yesterday I experienced driving on Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway with the new Bus-Only lanes. This project reduced available lanes by half--which resulted in very long lines of traffic in both directions and a much longer commute. Who benefits from this??

I am writing to express my extreme irritation and unhappiness with this new development, especially in light of the fact that there are no bus stops from Barbur Boulevard all the way up to Terwilliger Boulevard--none! What a waste of available resources! I believe reserving half the BHH lanes solely for buses and bus riders is unfair and unproductive. Our tax dollars should be spent for the benefit of all users of the roads, and not primarily for TriMet users (of which I am one). When the Hillsdale Business Association meets with the City Council in October, please urge them to re-think this decision and remove the Bus-Only designations.

Sincerely,

Anne Graff
4307 SW Admiral Ct.
Portland, OR 97221

October 26, 2022

Chris Braidwood-Reid's testimony at City Council Meeting

Good Morning - My name is Chris Braidwood-Reid. I manage commercial property in Hillsdale.

I come to you today to follow-up on the Capitol Hwy Rose Lane Project, which was installed five weeks ago.

As we feared, the project has left the community confused and frustrated. Aftermath issues we initially expressed are already coming true:

Eastbound –

- One business on the southside reports a 9% loss of revenue from the prior month due to loss of evening commuting customers.
- Several businesses are reporting an increase in their morning commute, oftentimes waiting thru three cycles of a traffic signal to get into Hillsdale, causing employees to be late.
- Buses are also caught in this backlog getting to their Hillsdale BAT lane...enough to cause riders requesting to get off the bus prior to the stop just so that they are not late to work. Any time saved by utilizing the BAT lane is lost in the time getting INTO Hillsdale... this will only increase when traffic counts increase.
- Any carbon emissions saved by a bus using the BAT lane is also lost in the backlog of traffic getting INTO Hillsdale.
- There's increased difficulty turning into the southside parking lot having to cross the bus lane while trying to avoid bikers and pedestrians. Drivers feel this is a dangerous experience.
- The southside parking lot is a disaster at times due to the difficulty exiting the lot to cross-over or merge into the consolidated eastbound lane of cars that has limited access points.
- AND Reports of Customers detouring **around** Hillsdale **entirely** because the lanes are so confusing.

ALL of these issues are caused by a plan, intended to save **1-2 minutes** during morning peak transit times, based on Pre-covid traffic counts.

Traffic counts that we do NOT currently have nor can we predict WHEN or IF we will.

Westbound –

- Evening peak hour complaints continue to increase about the backup from Barbur Blvd turning onto Capitol Hwy
- Capitol Hwy and Sunset intersection is extremely confusing for those cars wanting to turn right onto Sunset due to the red paint. A bus in the lane makes it even MORE confusing. Cars that want to turn right onto Sunset have begun detouring from Capitol Hwy to Dewitt to bypass the intersection

WHY have a lane that is used perhaps 1-2% of a day, empty the rest, causing all these issues?

In August, I invited City Commissioners to take a field trip to Hillsdale before the Project was installed. Today I invite Commissioner Hardesty to take that same trip, entering and exiting the southside parking lot. I'm happy to meet and be a guide if that would be helpful. We will be emailing you this week for a TIME CERTAIN for your visit and for a PBOT assessment of the impact of this project.

TriMet is currently proposing to discontinue 12 bus lines in SW Portland by Oct 31st. Those proposals COMBINED with PBOT's insistence to install a Rose Lane project in Hillsdale where **more harm** is caused than good, makes no sense!

Currently traffic counts are still low, and with the initial negative feedback we are receiving due to the project, I shudder to think about how much it will escalate with increased traffic counts.

With the continuation of covid and the practice of hybrid work environments, the likelihood of having pre-covid traffic counts are uncertain at best, which was the initial reason for the Hillsdale Project.

Please STOP the negative impact on Hillsdale businesses and neighborhoods
and REMOVE the Capitol Hwy Rose Lane Project.

Chris Braidwood-Reid, Wardin Properties
HBPA Rose Lane Project Lead
wardinproperties@gmail.com

**10/17/2022 5:30pm -
Westbound Capitol Hwy commuter traffic**



Barbur Blvd to the Capitol Hwy & Terwilliger intersection... nothing but brake lights.

Quite the deterrent for commuters to drive thru Hillsdale on their way home, lending itself to loss of potential business revenue.



October 26, 2022

Mayor Ted Wheeler
Commissioner Carmen Rubio
Commissioner Dan Ryan
Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty
Commissioner Mingus Maps

Dear Portland City Council Members,

This packet contains information regarding the testimonies today Chris Braidwood-Reid on behalf of Hillsdale Business and Professional Association (HBPA) and Hillsdale Neighborhood Association (HNA):

1. Comments from Chris Reid, Wardin Properties, HBPA
2. "Hillsdale Map" showing the roads Chris will be discussing as well as the Field Trip map for Commissioner Hardesty
3. "Westbound Capitol Hwy 5:30pm picture". The new reality with the Rose Lane Project.
4. TriMet Forward Together Proposal – proposed changes to SW bus routes – 12 slated to be discontinued.
5. Email from a Hillsdale Neighbor regarding irritation with the new Bus Only lane in Hillsdale.

This information has been shared with the press

HBPA Capitol Hwy Rose Lane Project Committee

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Cc: Director Chris Warner, PBOT
Sam Desue, Jr, TriMet General Manager

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