# Regional Mobility Pricing Project (RMPP)



**RMPP IGA Adoption: Portland City Council, April 19, 2023** 



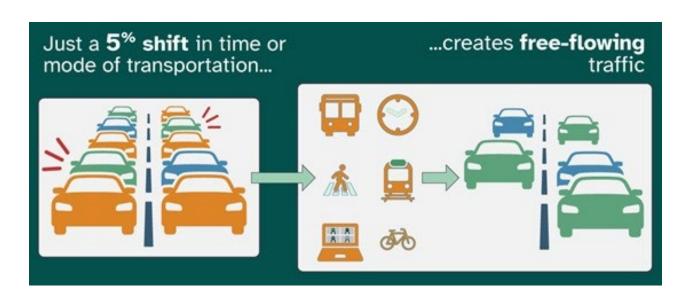
#### Why are we here today

- ODOT is planning a toll project on I-5 and I-205 in the region.
- This project will have a huge impact on the City of Portland and we have been engaged in policy conversations about this since 2017.
- ODOT is now beginning the NEPA stage of the project. **The City will need to engage in significant technical work to understand and influence the project** to ensure it benefits rather than harms City of Portland streets and mobility, safety, climate and equity goals.
- As we do on other major ODOT projects, we are enacting an IGA with ODOT to capacitate city staff to work on this project.
- The ordinance before you directs us to enact that IGA.



### **RMPP Purpose Statement**

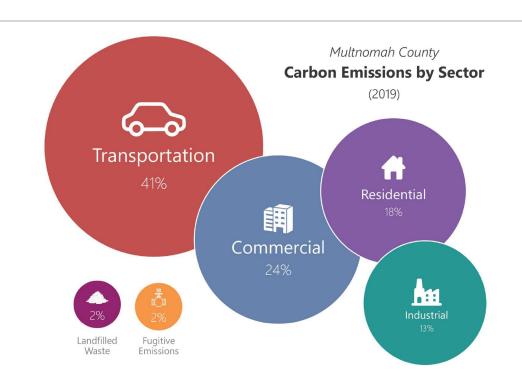
The purpose of the Regional Mobility Pricing Project (RMPP) is to use congestion pricing on Interstate-5 (I-5) and Interstate-205 (I-205) to manage traffic congestion on these facilities in the Portland, Oregon metropolitan area in a manner that will generate revenue for transportation system investments.

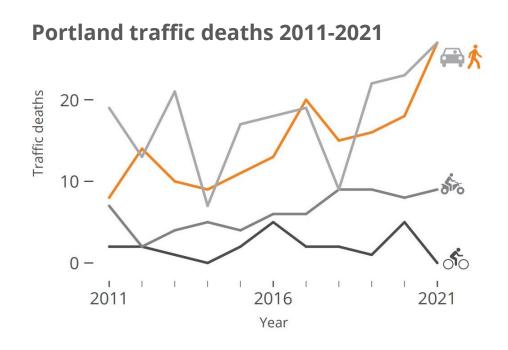


Congestion Pricing charges drivers a higher fee during peak periods compared to other times. If paired with multimodal investments, it can help reduce VMT and increase safe, sustainable, and equitable mobility.

#### WHY DOES RMPP MATTER? - CURRENTLY NOT ON TRACK TO MEET CITY GOALS

Safety
Mobility
Equity
Climate





27% of Black households in Portland do not have access to a car



of white households.4

A greater proportion of BIPOC Portlanders (17%) ride public transit than white Portlanders (11%)<sup>5</sup>



Between 2000-2019, bus speeds decreased by 14%,<sup>6</sup> and average commute times are 20% longer for Black Portlanders than white Portlanders.<sup>7</sup>

20% longer

commute

More diverse neighborhoods experience pollution levels 2-3 times higher than the rest of the city



#### WHAT IS THE RMPP? - WHAT IS AT STAKE?







- 2017 ODOT Value (congestion) Pricing Advisory Committee participation
- 2018 City Council signed letter to the Oregon Transportation committee outlining City values around value pricing
- 2020 2021 City Council directed Task Force co-led by PBOT and BPS to consider how to
  design various forms of congestion pricing (including tolling) to advance city mobility, climate and
  equity goals
- Ongoing City input through participation in regional bodies including the Joint
  Transportation Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT), the Metro Policy Advisory
  Committee (MPAC), the Region 1 Area Commission on Transportation (ACT), the Regional Toll
  Advisory committee (RTAC), and the Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee (EMAC)
- Ongoing Input & Coordination with other major projects
   I-5 Rose Quarter
   Interstate Bridge Replacement Program

- All of this work has set the stage for the Regional Mobility Pricing Project
- ODOT is now starting to design the specific tolling/pricing project that will run through the City of Portland on both I-5 and I-205
- This IGA is crucial to keeping the City of Portland at the table and part of the discussion





# **City of Portland Priorities**

- Prioritize reducing, not just shifting, miles driven and Greenhouse gas emissions
- Commit toll revenue to support multimodal travel and transit alternatives
- Mitigate diversion impacts
- Involve local and regional stakeholders in revenue allocation decisions
- Discounts/exemptions for drivers living on low incomes
- Design technology and payment systems to reduce barriers

## **Scope and Schedule**

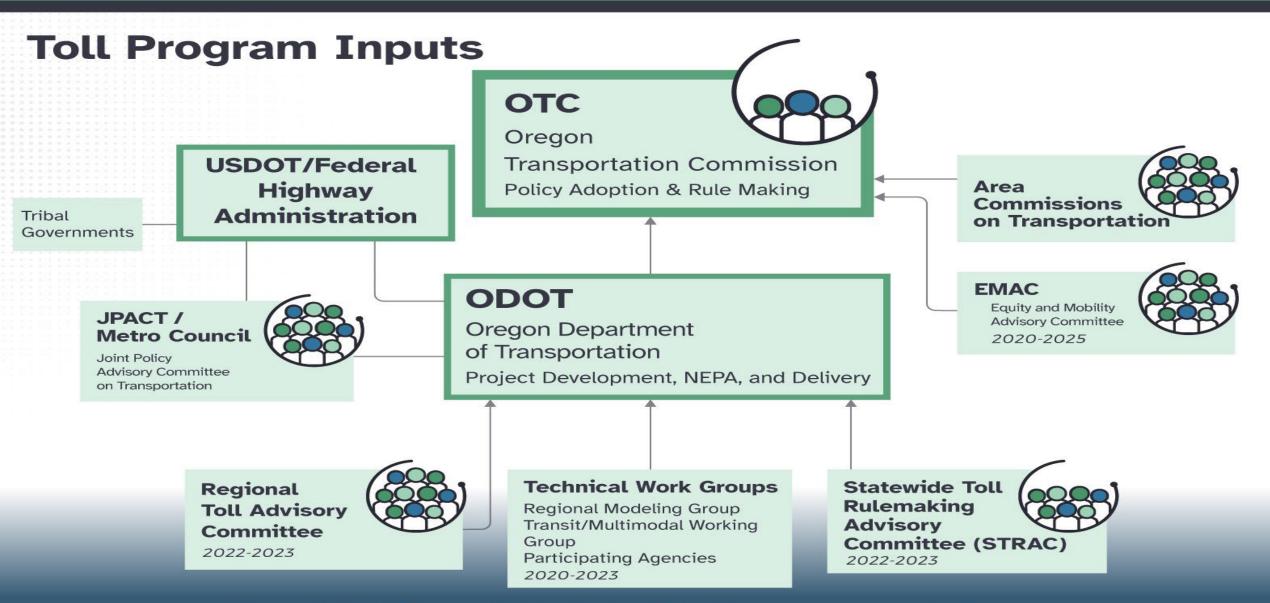
- Agreement effective from date of signature through January 31, 2026
- Authorizes up to \$2,037,800
- City services include environmental planning and engineering for the NEPA and preliminary design phase

#### **Bureau Involvement**

- PBOT Lead
- Planning and Sustainability
- Environmental Services
- Parks and Recreation
- Development Services
- Water
- Fire and Rescue



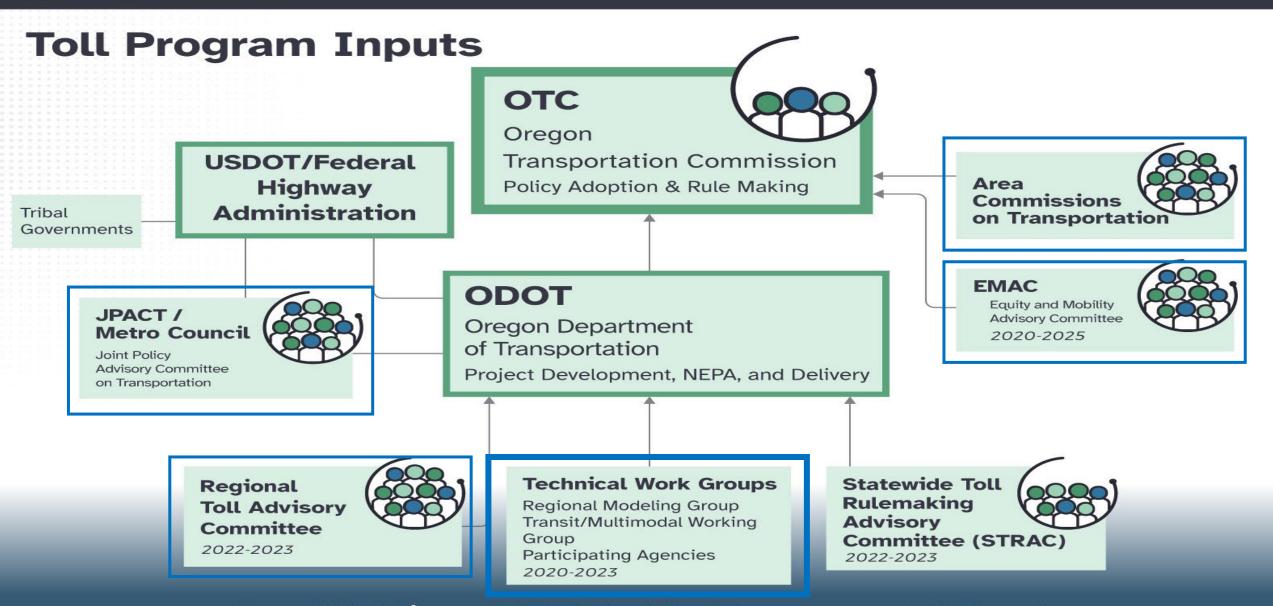




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# **Urban Mobility Strategy Map**



Westside

I-5 Interstate Bridge

Replacement Program

Bike/Ped Crossing Project

Vancouver

Portland International

Airport

WA

I-205 C-TRAN/ODOT

Bus on Shoulder Pilot

Camas

# All lanes, all electronic, no stopping



#### **RMPP SCHEDULE & MILESTONES**

Expected Timeframe*	Description
Spring 2023	Share Transportation Technical Report Methods
Summer/Fall 2023	Transportation Technical Report
Fall 2023	Public Transportation Strategy Project List
Fall/Winter 2023	Draft Environmental Assessment (start public comment period)
Fall 2023	Public Transportation Strategy Agreement and Endorsement
Winter 2023-24	Draft Environmental Assessment comment period closes
Spring 2024	Revised Environmental Assessment

<sup>\*</sup>Expected milestones dates may need to be adjusted as the analysis is conducted. The associated tasks would remain as described.

# Thank you

