

## IMPACT STATEMENT

**Legislation title:** \*Accept a grant in the amount of \$151,360 from Oregon Department of Transportation for the Growing Transit Communities Plan and authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement (Ordinance)

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### **Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:**

This legislation will fund the planning process for developing the Growing Transit Communities Plan.

Previously, City Council passed Ordinance No. 186634 on June 11, 2014, authorizing application to the Oregon Department of Transportation and Department of Land Conservation and Development for four Transportation and Growth Management grants, including a Growing Transit Communities Plan.

The Growing Transit Communities Plan will identify the necessary conditions for frequent transit service success in places where the current environment is not transit-supportive. This plan will be developed in coordination with TriMet. The plan will result in transit-supportive investment plans for 2 to 5 transit corridors within the City of Portland. During the planning process, the transit corridors will be selected using criteria from a pool of potential corridors. A suite of corridor-level analysis tools for prioritizing investments will be developed and applied in each corridor. The suite of tools will be developed with the intention of being replicable for use in other corridors and by other jurisdictions. Consideration may be given to selecting corridors with a variety of characteristics that could be used as typologies for informing future planning efforts.

Growing Transit Communities Plan will support planned growth in centers and along corridors consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan update.

Targeted investments in access to transit, stop amenities, transit priority treatments, and demand management are ways to increase transit ridership. This project will help the City reach the adopted Climate Action Plan goal of achieving a 25% transit mode share by 2035. Making early investments before anticipated development will ensure future residents and employees find transit to be an attractive travel choice when they are moving or changing jobs and are most receptive to a change in mode choice.

Transit-supportive investments have additional benefits by improving pedestrian and bicycle networks and enhancing transit service used by a wider population than those who work and live along the corridor. These investments will also help corridors meet TriMet's criteria for frequent service expansion, allowing the City to leverage investments for increased transit service hours.

**Financial and budgetary impacts:**

The total project budget for the City is \$172,000. The amount of the reimbursable grant award is \$151,360, with City providing match of \$20,640 that is GTR funded with in-kind services.

The City's match requirement is 12% or \$20,640 of the total project budget \$172,000 for the City:

City award	\$151,360
City in-kind services match	\$ 20,640
Total City project budget	\$172,000

\$125,000 in grant funds has been budgeted in FY 2015-16 Requested Budget.

The balance \$26,360 in grant funding can be budgeted in the ordinance for FY 2014-15. See table in Budgetary Impact Worksheet.

This IGA will not create new positions and will use existing GTR funded position for in-kind services match.

**Community impacts and community involvement:**

This Council item will initiate this planning project. No negative impacts are anticipated at this time. During the planning process, effort will be made to equitably distribute the benefits and any impacts associated with the plan.

The planning process will include public engagement guided by a public involvement plan developed specifically for the project. Outreach will be conducted to involve residents of and organizations and businesses within the selected transit corridors. This outreach will include efforts to engage a diverse range of communities of people (age-specific, cultural, physical ability, ethnic, racial, religious, language, low-income, under-served populations, etc.). Adoption of the Plan, once completed, will require a public hearing held by City Council.

**Budgetary Impact Worksheet****Does this action change appropriations?**

- ☒ **YES:** Please complete the information below.  
☐ **NO:** Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount
217001	TRDR000004	511300	TPOPPL00000000GT		TR000236	TR02360001	\$26,360
217001	TRDR000004	441100	TPOPPL00000000GT		TR000236	TR02360001	\$26,360

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