

# CITY OF ALBANY Joint Transportation Advisory Commission & City Council Work Session

#### **MINUTES**

# Tuesday, January 8, 2024 Special Session Council Chambers, City Hall

Approved Transportation Advisory Commission: <u>January 23, 2024</u>
Approved City Council: <u>February 14, 2024</u>

### Call to Order

Mayor Alex Johnson II called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Councilors present: Mayor Alex Johnson II and Councilors Steph Newton, Matilda Novak, Ray

Kopczynski, Ramycia McGhee, and Marilyn Smith

Councilors absent: Councilor Jackie Montague (excused)

Commissioners present: Lacy Ramirez (virtual), Mark Siddall, Frankie McCullough, Nolan Streitberger,

Chuck Kratch

Commissioners absent: Terry Virnig

## Highway 20 corridor study

Engineering Manager/Assistant City Engineer Rob Emmons introduced Scott Mansur and Aaron Berger from DKS Associates, who presented slides\* with proposed improvements to the Highway 20 corridor that would decrease traffic congestion. Mansur and Berger answered clarifying questions from councilors and commissioners and showed simulations forecasting future traffic both with and without the changes. These simulations can be found in the video recording of the meeting.

### Business from the council and commission

Chair of the Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC) Chuck Kratch thanked the council for inviting the commission to join this work session and relayed to councilors the upcoming work of the TAC. Kratch said the TAC had asked representatives from rail and bus lines, the Albany Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, and the Oregon Department of Transportation to present to the TAC. Commissioners Frankie McCollough and Nolan Streitberger also thanked the council for the invitation to attend.

Commissioner Mark Siddall said Albany needs to optimize transit and invest in mass transit systems.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Reviewed by,

Gabe Shepherd Peter Troedsson
Deputy City Clerk City Manager

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