



SALEM AREA MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT

BOARD WORK SESSION MINUTES

Thursday, September 11, 2025 at 5:43 p.m.

ATTENDEES: President Maria Hinojos Pressey | Directors Joaquín Lara Midkiff (Virtual) | Sadie Carney | Sara Duncan | Bill Holmstrom Absent: Directors Ramiro Navarro Jr. | Ian Davidson
STAFF: GM Allan Pollock | DGM David Trimble | CSO Cliff Carpentier | CFO Denise LaRue | CELRO Jaél Rose | CPDO Shofi Ull Azum | COO Tom Dietz | Senior Manager, Project & Contract Administration Melissa Kidd | Executive Assistants Crisandra Williams | Kirra Pressey
GUEST: Cameron McCarthy's Principal Landscape Architect Justin Lanphear | Mott MacDonald's Project Manager Ron Vegara | PIVOT Architecture's Associate Scott Clarke

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Note of Attendance for a Quorum

President Hinojos Pressey called the meeting to order at 5:43 p.m.
Attendance was noted.

B. Safety Minute

Executive Assistant Pressey presented the safety moment, highlighting pumpkin carving safety.

C. Announcements | Changes to Agenda:

President Hinojos Pressey announced that agenda item 3.B (SSTC Redesign) would be moved to 3.A.

2. PRESENTATIONS - None

3. DISCUSSIONS

A. SSTC Redesign

Presenter: GM Allan Pollock, CELRO Jaél Rose, CPDO Shofi Azum

DGM Trimble opened the discussion regarding the South Salem Transit Center (SSTC) redesign by introducing the project team. He explained that major cost estimates prompted a value engineering review to consider scaling down some elements and phasing the project. Justin from Cameron McCarthy discussed the original plan from September 2023 that focused on developing the southern 1.8 acres of the 5.71-acre site, preserving significant white oaks, and accessing the site via Wiltsey Road.

After property negotiations allowed for using the full site and a survey in July 2025 informed of significant trees' locations, the team presented two new options: one-way loop option or one-way in-and-out option.

The Board's input centered on preferences for transit circulation, building placement, and bicycle options. Concerns about traffic and bus backup led to a request for a traffic study. The Board preferred protected bike lanes and discussed practical considerations like building aesthetics, potential future expansions, shade, and accessible facilities.



B. Creating Community Connections

Presenter: GM Allan Pollock, CELRO Jaél Rose, CPDO Shofi Azum

CELRO Rose provided an update on the Creating Community Connections campaign, highlighting extensive community outreach in August and September. Key engagements included the Riverfront Family Fest, Veterans Stand Down event, the first open house on September 8th, the Salem Leadership Foundation event, tabling at Corbin University, Walker Middle School, and the Latino Business Alliance meeting.

4. **GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS/REPORTS**

A. Upcoming Agenda Items

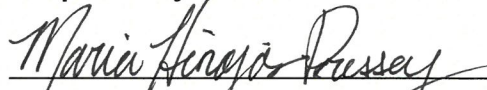
B. Board Calendar

GM Pollock reviewed the upcoming agenda and calendar items.

5. **ADJOURN**

President Hinojos Pressey adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted



Maria Hinojos Pressey, Board President