

MINUTES OF MEETING

Regular Meeting TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD Wednesday, March 11, 2026 In-person meeting with a remote option.

Call to Order

Chair Ryder called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

Attendance

Members Present:

City of Lacey
City of Olympia
City of Rainier
City of Tenino
City of Tumwater
Intercity Transit
Port of Olympia
Thurston County
Town of Bucoda
Business Rep
Community Rep
Community Rep
WSDOT

Andy Ryder, Chair
Robert Vanderpool, Council member
Ron Kemp, Council member
Dave Watterson, Mayor
Peter Agabi, Council member
Justin Belk, Authority member
Krag Unsoeld, Commissioner
Rachel Grant, 2nd Vice Chair
John Wood, Council member
Jessica McKeegan-Jensen
Michelle Murray
Travis Millar
JoAnn Schueler, Staff

Members Absent:

Nisqually Indian Tribe
Confederated Tribes of the
Chehalis Reservation
City of Yelm
North Thurston Public Schools
State Government Rep
Business Rep

Heidi Thomas, Staff
Amy Loudermilk, Staff
Tracey Wood, Council member
Garrett Kendall, Staff
Mark Barkley
Renee Radcliff Sinclair, Vice Chair

Staff Present:

Elissa Gertler, Executive Director
Burlina Lucas, Executive Assistant
Dorinda Merrill, Office Specialist IV
Scott Carte, GIS & Modeling Manager
Allison Osterberg, Planning Manager
Katrina Van Every, Transportation Manager
Paul Brewster, Senior Planner
Michael Mills, Associate Planner

Others Present:

Emily Bergkamp, Intercity Transit
Jessica Gould, Intercity Transit
Peter Stackpole, Intercity Transit
Patrick Holm, SCJ Alliance
Martin Hoppe, City of Lacey
Chris Stolberg, City of Lacey
Sophie Stimson, City of Olympia
Michelle Swanson, City of Olympia
Warren Hendrickson, Port of Olympia
Becky Conn, Thurston County
Lorilyn Lirio, The Jolt News

Agenda Item 1
INFORMATION

Introductions
All present were introduced.

Agenda Item 2
INFORMATION

Executive Director’s Report & Announcements
There were no Executive Director Announcements.

Agenda Item 3
ACTION

Approval of Agenda

Board member McKeegan-Jensen moved, seconded by Board member Schueler, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 4
ACTION

Approval of Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of Meeting Notes – February 11, 2026.

Board member McKeegan-Jensen moved, seconded by Board member Schueler, to approve the consent calendar. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 5

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Agenda Item 6
1st REVIEW

Call for Projects Process and Criteria

Senior Planner Paul Brewster briefed the TPB on the proposed 2026 Call for Projects framework and requested feedback on evaluation criteria revisions, funding set-asides, and the TPB Subcommittee structure. At the April 8, 2026, TPB meeting, staff will request the Board to make a recommendation to the Council to approve the 2026 Call for Projects Process.

Agenda Item 7
PRESENTATION

East Martin Way Gateway Project Update

Peter Stackpole, Intercity Transit, and Patrick Holm, SCJ Alliance, provided an update on their collaboration with Thurston County to develop alternative designs for the intersection of Martin Way and Duterrow Road that improve transit access, safety, and traffic flow.

The intersection was identified in the Martin Way Corridor Study as a key improvement to achieve high frequency transit and placemaking envisioned for the easternmost section of the corridor. The project partners will be reaching out to community members over the next few months.

Agenda Item 8
PRESENTATION

Multimodal Level of Service

Associate Planner Michael Mills provided an overview of the Regional Multimodal Level of Service project, including the draft problem statement, project goals, key concepts, project phases, and milestones. Staff will return at the May TPB meeting to begin discussing potential performance measures and framework options.

Agenda Item 9

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Ryder adjourned the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

Andy Ryder, Chair

*Minutes prepared by Burlina Lucas, Executive Assistant, Thurston Regional Planning Council.
These minutes are not verbatim. A recording of this meeting is available upon request.*