

**SE Uplift Land Use and Transportation Committee Meeting Notes  
February 27, 2013 7-9pm**

**Committee Members Present:** Linda Nettekoven (HAND), Nicole Green (MSA), Aaron Sorenson (Foster-Powell), Doug Klotz (RNA), Matt Wickmstrom (BPS)  
**Guests:** Kimberly Koehler, Sue Pearce, Diane Goodwin (TriMet), Jennifer Koozer  
**SE Uplift Staff:** Bob Kellett

Meeting commenced at 7:00 PM

**TriMet Budget Update**

Diane Goodwin made a presentation about TriMet's financial future. Over the past three years the agency has cut \$43 million. It has had the largest fare increase in its history and ended free rail zone. There are no anticipated cuts this year and there \*may\* be a small pot of funds to help address crowding on bus lines like the 4 & 14. Long-term, the agency sees the challenge being keeping health care costs in line. The projections are such that if nothing is done to union health benefits, service reductions will be needed starting in FY2016.

TriMet is asking people to go to the state legislature and ask that they pass a bill allowing transit workers to strike. The agency believes that this will allow for better negotiations that don't get dragged out through the existing arbitration process. There will be a Transit Day in Salem activity on Wednesday, April 10. For more information, you can contact Larissa Armitage – [armitagl@trimet.org](mailto:armitagl@trimet.org) or 503-962-4830.

**Apartments and Parking Proposed Code Changes**

Matt Wickstrom provided an overview of the proposed changes to code regarding parking requirements for new apartments that BPS is bringing forward to the Planning and Sustainability Commission on Tuesday, March 12 at 12:30pm at 1900 SW 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. There was discussion about the various merits of the proposals, including moving toward a system that determines high frequency transit based on TriMet's high frequency service map, rather than existing service levels.

**Comprehensive Plan Update**

The committee worked its way through a table of frequently cited SE Portland concerns to see how they may or may not be addressed in the discussion draft of the comprehensive plan. Items discussed included:

1. Transitions between main streets and single family homes.
2. Neighborhood notification and contact process for development
3. Demolition of smaller sized homes to construct homes built to maximum allowances.
6. Use of ground floor space for residential units in commercial areas.
9. Noise from commercial areas

The remaining issues will be discussed at the March meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9pm

Next meeting: Monday, March 18 7-9pm.