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City of Oregon City  
625 Center Street  
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RE: Main Street: 10th to 15th  
2018-2021 STIP Enhance Application

Mr. Lewis:

Oregon City's Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) fully supports the ODOT STIP Enhance funding request by the City of Oregon City for the Oregon City Downtown Connective Corridor project, the **Next Steps**. This project will build upon the City's prior success in reorienting downtown's circulation infrastructure on Main Street from 5th to 10th Streets and will focus on a pedestrian priority in our historic core, more specifically, building a stronger connection to the downtown transit center and the properties in our north end business district that will support mixed use development and multi-modal transportation.

This project will continue to improve the pedestrian and bicycle connectivity and access to mass transit in Oregon City's historic downtown marketplace and neighborhood. Bicycle and pedestrian routes linking Oregon City with the commercial waterfront, trails and future Willamette Falls Riverwalk need to be physically linked together, safe and accessible to all users. The TriMet Transit Center off 99E needs improvements for safety, access and to accommodate increased ridership driven by growing regional and local activity.

If approved, the Oregon City Downtown Connective Corridor, **Next Steps** project will be a significant catalyst for the long-term success of downtown redevelopment and complete the connective corridor stitching together state and regional transit systems that converge in Oregon City's 171 year-old historic downtown.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. I can be reached via City staff at 503.4657.8241 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Bob LaSalle, Chair  
Transportation Advisory Committee

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