



City of Tualatin

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Doug Kelsey
TriMet General Manager
1800 SW First Avenue Suite 300
Portland, OR 97201

RE: Letter of Support for the Southwest Corridor Plan

Dear Mr. Kelsey,

As a member of the Steering Committee, the City of Tualatin would like to express support for the Southwest Corridor (SWC) Project and its pursuit to achieve the most robust, reliable, and safe transportation system for Tualatin riders and beyond.

The impact of the SWC Project will move far beyond the physical footprint of extending TriMet's MAX system to Tualatin. The Bridgeport Transit Center will serve as a major workforce connector, regional connection point in the southwest metro area for new and existing riders, offer needed transportation options - especially for Tualatin's historically disadvantaged population, provide an opportunity for placemaking and transit oriented development, and due to its highly visible location, will serve as quality designed physical marker to benefit both Tualatin and TriMet.

Tualatin has been involved in the SWC Project since December 2011, when the SWC Steering Committee, which included Tualatin as well as representatives from the cities and counties in the corridor, adopted a charter agreeing to follow a collaborative and publicly inclusive approach to developing the SWC Plan.

As the SWC Project enters into the Federal Transit Agency's project engineering for New Starts in 2021, we remain committed to partnering with TriMet and the Steering Committee to further the betterment of all those who work, live, learn, and play in Tualatin.

Sincerely,

Frank Bubenik
Mayor of Tualatin