



The Queen of England once referred to the year 1992 as “annus horribilis.” A Latin term that means ‘horrible year.’

As we begin the process of placing 2021 in our collective rearview mirror and look guardedly towards the dawning of 2022, we should all take careful inventory of the good, the bad, the joy, the hurt, the love, and the discontent we have spread over the previous 12 months. As for me, as I journey the last few miles of my life, I will endeavor to serve humanity and to hold ever so tight to the profound words of President Lincoln - "And in the end it's not the years in your life that count; it's the life in your years that matter." Let's work together to make 2022 an “annus magna” – a “great year.” Happy New Year!

Dwight Brashear
Transit Director



Fleet Services – Scott Simanton Fleet Services Manager

Throughout January, construction of a new compressed natural gas (CNG) fueling station has continued, with expanded electric bus charging being installed simultaneously. While the timelines of these two projects overlapping has proved challenging, some advantages have been realized. Project timing allowed one common trench to be used for portions of the work, saving time, and reducing construction costs.

Complete conduit runs for both gas and electrical are installed and backfilled, and all concrete work has been completed.



Completed fuel dispensing post support structure, awaiting hardware installation.



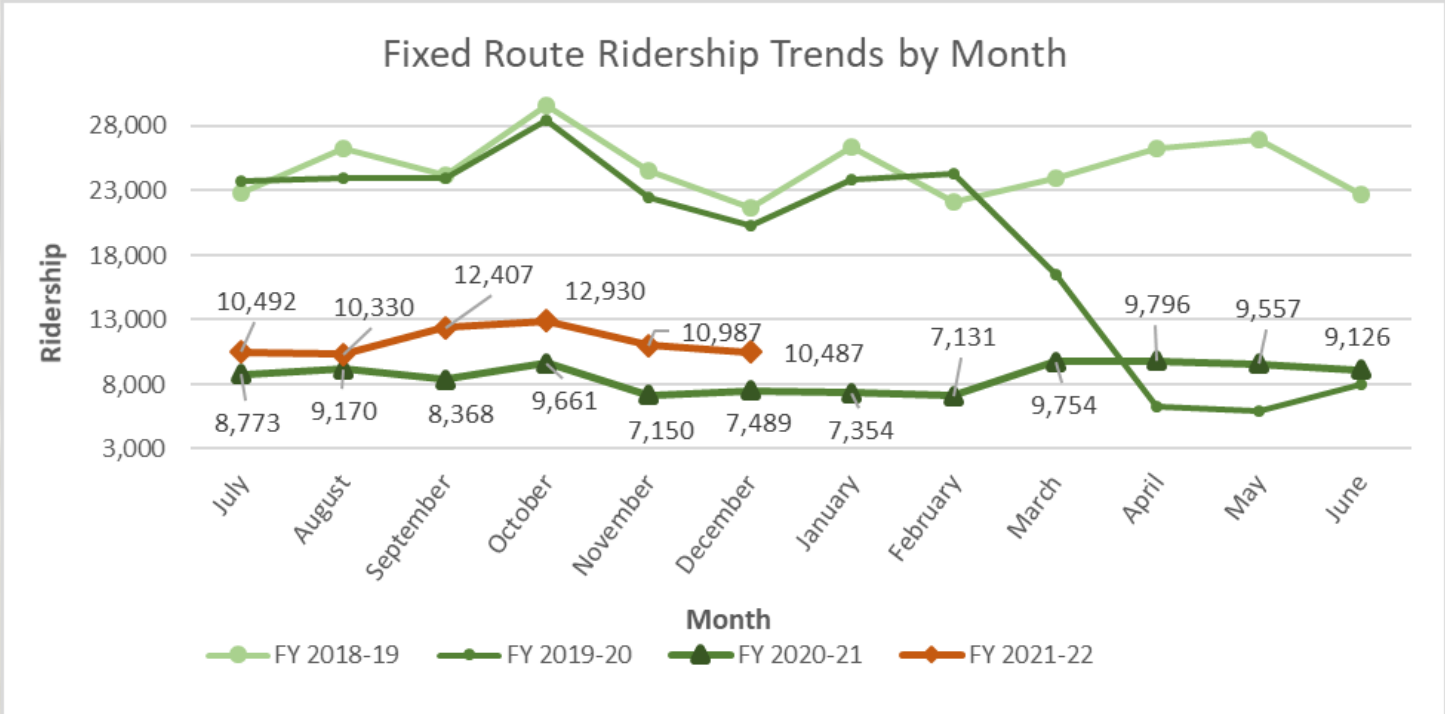
Forming and mockup of a fuel dispensing post



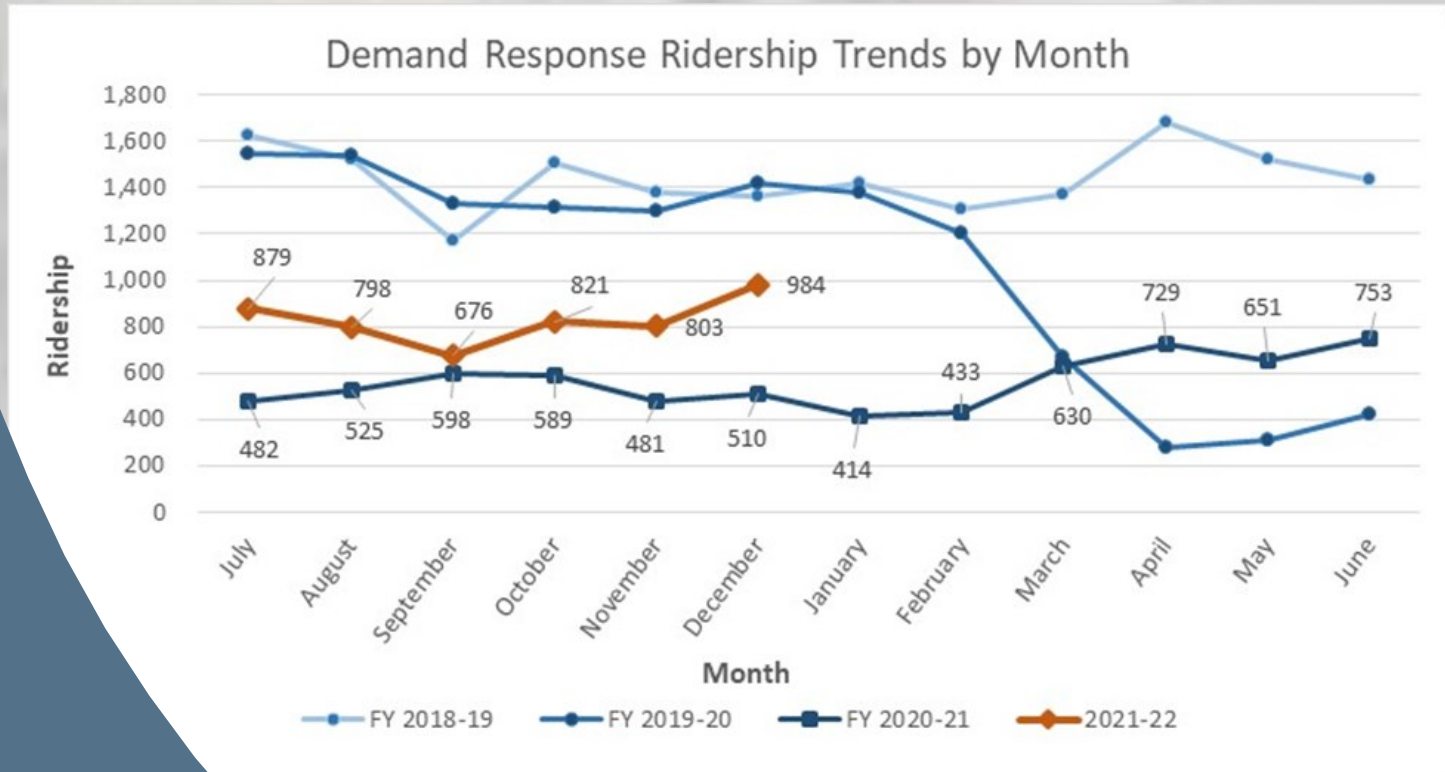
Finishing concrete for compressor installation location.

Anticipated completion date for the electric bus charging is early February. CNG station completion is scheduled for late March. Equipment lead times are slightly longer than anticipated, but the required equipment is currently in production.

Operations - **Eric Loomis** Operations Manager



Fixed route service saw a small drop in service, which is typical for December with less operating days due to the holidays. Demand Response saw its highest number in ridership since the COVID-19 pandemic has started. Most notably, SMART’s 60+ program, which gives transportation access to Wilsonville residents who are 60 or older, doubled in ridership in the month of December.



Grants & Program Manager - **Kelsey Lewis**



In January we finalized a request for proposals to update the Transit Master Plan and aim to advertise it in early February. It's exciting to launch this project! The purpose is to update the current master plan to reflect new conditions in transit ridership, incorporate new technology, hear from the community, and position SMART well for using new state and federal funding opportunities.

This plan is intended to further the Council goal of increasing mobility for all in Wilsonville.

We also prepared our budget request for FY 22/23 this month. We are anticipating further American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to come in from the Federal Transit Administration in the next few weeks which will continue to support transit operations.



Transportation Options - **Michelle Marston** Program Coordinator

2022 Planning has begun for SMART Options programs.

An Annual Bike Rodeo to be partnered with another City event. Bike Fairy Day, and Walk at Lunch activities are currently on the short list for the year.

SMART is aiming to restart a few programs for 2022 such as a Learn to Ride Clinics at Wilsonville schools and possibly an Adventure Bike Camp during the summer.

In addition to our short list, a district-wide crossing guard program in partnership with West Linn-Wilsonville School District was in the development stages when all schools were shut down. We hope to pick up where we left off and develop active transportation clinics in partnership with WashCo Bikes.



Students in crosswalk at Boeckman Creek Primary