

The January updates for TEAC, included updates about the

- **Bus fleet Transition Project** - \$5million to support the Electric Infrastructure to support electric vehicles.
- **Call to Artist for cultural Bus wraps** – Staff shared photos of the art been displayed to commemorate Rosa Parks Day and Black History month
- **TriMet is observing Rosa Parks Day** - not collecting fares on Feb. 4th
- **Fare Proposal survey closes on February 25th**– so far **4000 surveys** have been submitted. Staff is working on Potential Mitigations Plan- Title VI concerns analysis.
- Updates on job openings and the upcoming hiring events on the week of Feb. 20. The return to service of FX vehicles and Multnomah County Library East County Flagship.
- Members also received an update on TEAC membership recruitment. The Community Engagement team has been actively recruiting potential member organizations; the application will remain open until March 1.

The Hollywoodhub project staff provided an update on the current design, including the stairs/ramp, plaza, and on-street bus stops. Staff walked through the new plaza space and replacement of the outdated stair and ramp. Upgrade bus stops, shelters, locations and the addition of crosswalks, bicycles, and head crosswalks with a dedicated signal on 42nd. There are some safety challenges at the intersection of 42nd and Halsey.

The team is close to construction- are moving to 90% of the design- this phase will be done this year. The project team will continue to do ongoing community outreach with design milestones and will continue working on permits.

- TEAC members expressed concerns for accessibility -
- 8 percent grade for the ramp, though it IS within the ADA guidelines, is VERY steep for a lot of the older and disabled population who will need to use it
- Elevators always break down, and there needs to be a backup for people relying on using them.
- Make connections easier - more crosswalks, user-friendly like a transit mall
- Add real-time signage for bus and max arrival times - keep in mind the accessibility of information for visually impaired folks.

TriMet's Staff provided an overview of **TriMet's Draft Business Plan**. This is a five-year plan, but is updated each year to deal with new circumstances. The FY24-FY28 DRAFT is out for review and comment. Staff outlined the plan's purpose, strategic priorities, and key strategic actions to make progress during FY2024-FY2028. The Comment period closes March 1, 2023

TEAC members expressed support for safety priorities and on commended the efforts on training for staff and operators to make sure riders are comfortable; please to hear operators will resume learning how to assist seniors and people with disabilities.

- Members encouraged TriMet to consider an audit on where resources are going or been spent and where the perception of safety is, i.e. lighting and overworked staff vs police and fare inspectors)
 - Actual dangers vs perception of dangers in the system – with a member noting “Sometimes it feel much safer when you are on the bus vs not being on the bus”

Engagement Staff walked through Fare Increase Proposal Timeline, including the outreach and title VI report been available in March, and the final decision happening in May.

- Members requested information about the engagement efforts and report out of the items heard during the open houses for the Fare Increase proposal.