



Public Policy Meeting

Speaker(s): Jamie Stasny w/ Clackamas County, Jay Jones w/ North Clackamas Chamber

Sunrise Corridor Community Vision:

- Just over halfway through the project.
- Sunrise Corridor Community Visioning Project will:
 - Build on past Sunrise gateway concepts
 - Gather public input
- Partnership w/ Clackamas County, City of Happy Valley, Metro, and ODOT
- Community Concerns
 - Regional Mobility
 - Address congestion and safety issues
 - Add Vehicle lanes and capacity
 - Create freight specific connections
 - Local Mobility
 - Improve multimodal travel options including sidewalks and bicycle lanes
 - Increase access to roadways and transit
 - Public Health and Environment
 - Enhance health and wellbeing
 - Add features like recreational active spaces. Protect local habitats, and reduce noise, air, water pollution
 - Open spaces and community Identity
 - Enhance character of Sunrise Corridor by adding elements like murals
 - Economic Development
 - Protect existing businesses and find a way to attract new businesses to the area
 - Improve access to business sites for employees and clients
 - Land Use
- Ways to stay involved:
 - Take the survey: <https://metroquestsurvey.com/wl6x6o?c=dir>
 - Sign up for email updates
 - Invite other to learn about the project
 - Invite us to present to your organization
 - Participate in future events
- Next Steps:
 - Draft action plan for the Sunrise Corridor Community Visioning

Contact for more information

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Legislative Priorities FY25:

- See updated attached Legislative Priorities

Extended Minutes with Jamie Stasny:

Sunrise Corridor Revitalization Project Discussion

We discussed the ongoing Sunrise Corridor Community Visioning project, a community-focused initiative aimed at improving public health, economic opportunities, and infrastructure accessibility. The project involves partnerships with the City of Happy Valley, ODOT, Metro, and Clackamas County, with emphasis on equitable engagement and community participation through advisory groups. Jamie highlighted public concerns about traffic congestion, safety, and the need for better mobility options, as well as desires for access to nature and addressing environmental issues like air quality. She presented a 2020 transportation proposal with a new regional connector, package road, and complete street on Highway 212, aimed at improving safety and reducing congestion.

Next, we discussed the ongoing public engagement and feedback process for the project, mentioning that the project is nearing the end of the current phase, and the project will have one more open survey early next year. Jamie encouraged everyone to reach out to her with any questions or concerns and shared a QR code for the survey. She acknowledged the need for more business input on the project and shared her efforts to engage with businesses and community members. She also discussed the potential impact of the Happy Valley project on traffic in Damascus and the need for different funding sources for various aspects of the project. Additionally, she emphasized the need for continued work to improve the situation and expressed her hope that the implemented changes would lead to improvements and build momentum for further changes.

During the meeting we discussed potential business partners and locations, including Bob's Red Mill, Benchmade Knives, Fred Meyer, and Warren Industries. Jamie confirmed the involvement of Fred Meyer and the committee confirmed the relocation of Benchmade Knives from Clackamas to Oregon City. Jamie expressed concern about the difficulty of engaging businesses in the area due to the pandemic, but the committee suggested that Jamie could leverage her credibility to help connect with businesses. Finally, Jamie agreed to reach out to the businesses mentioned and to attend a meeting in with Good Morning Damascus.



FY 24-25 North Clackamas Chamber of Commerce Legislative Priorities

In support of:

1. Transportation funding for I-205, the Sunrise Corridor, and other regional projects to reduce congestion, enhance safety, and improve reliability of local transportation infrastructure.
2. Protecting the ability of businesses and non-profits to continue operations during emergencies, ensuring economic resilience.
3. Advocating for pre-emption of local employment regulations to oppose state level regulation that infringe on businesses ability to operate.
4. The expansion of transit services in underserved areas, such as TriMet on HWY 212, to better support major employers and industrial zones.
5. Promoting stable and sufficient clean drinking water/wastewater capacity to meet the growing needs of communities across the region.
6. Preserving and expand eligibility for small business tax credits to help local enterprises thrive.
7. Efforts to increase the availability and affordability of workforce housing.
8. Prioritizing funding for community colleges to offer education and certification programs that remove employment barriers for students of all ages.
9. Advocating for land use policy changes, including Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) expansion, to increase access to developable land.
10. Backing healthcare legislation that aligns with the needs of providers & businesses to promote the health and well-being of local residents and employees.
11. Using the legislative short session for its intended purpose of budgeting and fixing laws that have unintended negative consequences.
12. The retention of clean fuel sources that offer flexible energy options for businesses and citizens alike.
13. Tourism initiatives that boost the local economy and attract visitors to the region.
14. Endorsing candidates and measures that align with the Chamber's legislative priorities and reflect its advocacy efforts.

In encouragement of:

1. Legislators to explore cost containment measures and potential savings before proposing new taxes.
2. Policies that promote a business-friendly environment when considering regulatory changes.
3. Advocating for a geographically equitable distribution of public spending that reflects the areas where revenue is generated.
4. Campaign finance restrictions that ensure a fair and level playing field for all candidates and participants.
5. Urging legislators to require public testimony for any new laws or regulations that may hinder business operation or workforce development.
6. Collaborating with public safety officials to enhance security, making businesses safer for customers, employees, and surrounding communities.



In opposition to:

1. Taxes that lack the support of the business community and place undue burdens on local enterprises.
2. Laws or regulations that create disincentives for businesses to grow, invest, or hire.
3. Increased regulations that hinder affordable housing solutions and exacerbate housing shortages.
4. Proposals to increase damage awards in liability and medical lawsuits, which raise costs for businesses.
5. The elimination of the small business tax cut, which is crucial for supporting local enterprises.
6. Any measures that limit an employer's ability to maintain a safe and secure work environment.
7. The reallocation of SAIF surplus funds for purposes other than workers' compensation benefits.
8. Policies that expose employers, their volunteers, and Board of Directors to personal liability and litigation risks.
9. Carbon tax legislation that increases costs, reduces affordable energy options, or harms businesses and citizens.
10. Tolling legislation that disproportionately burdens businesses and commuters with additional costs, safety concerns, and traffic congestion.