



Joint Historic Albina Advisory Group/ Community Oversight Advisory Committee

SUMMARY MATERIAL
June 16, 2026

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JOINT HAAB/COAC MEETING OVERVIEW

Date: June 16, 2026

Time: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

This document is a summary of the I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project's Joint Historic Albina Advisory Board (HAAB)/Community Oversight Advisory Committee (COAC) meeting. The [virtual recording](#) is available online.

ATTENDANCE

HAAB Members in Attendance

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| • Dr. Ebony Amato | • Leslie Goodlow |
| • Bryson Davis | • Kevin Modica |
| • Keith Edwards | • John Washington |

COAC Members in Attendance

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| • Michael Burch | • Felicia Tripp Folsom |
| • James Posey | • Janelle Waltz |

Committee Members Not in Attendance

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| • Sprinavasa Brown | • Dr. Carlos Richard |
| • Andrew Campbell | • Art Cortez |
| • Joy Alise Davis | • Joe McFerrin |
| • JT Flowers | • Katrina Cloud |
| • Kimberly Stowers Moreland | • Cinna'Mon Williams |

I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project Staff Members & Partners

- Ericka Warren, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project, HAAB Facilitator
- Dr. Steven Holt, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project
- Jeff Moreland, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project, Construction Team
- Kerry Werner, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project
- Serena Stoudamire Wesley, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project
- Monica Blanchard, I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project, Interim Project Director
- David Kim, I-5 Rose Quarter Project Team, Director of Project Delivery
- Rose Gerber, I-5 Rose Quarter Project Team
- Johnell Bell, I-5 Rose Quarter Project Team
- Jean Senechal Biggs, Metro
- Ted Leybold, Metro
- Sharon Daleo, PBOT
- Shawnea Posey, PBOT

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- Natalie Hall, I-5 Rose Quarter Project Team
 - Ben Fleming, I-5 Rose Quarter Project Team
 - MJ Jackson, I-5 Rose Quarter Project Team
 - Clara Lietz, I-5 Rose Quarter Project Team

MEETING NOTES

Welcome / Introductions / Agenda Review

Ericka Warren, HAAB facilitator, welcomed HAAB and COAC members, the project team, and the audience. She shared that the meeting would provide an opportunity for the project team to share updates not covered during the previous month's meeting and continue discussions on outreach and engagement efforts related to the upcoming closures. Ericka then opened the floor for public comment.

Public Comment

- No public comment was received.

Project Updates

Monica Blanchard provided an update on the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) amendment process, including key discussions that have informed its development and recent conversations with City Council and the Project Management Group. David Kim shared that Chris Warner will be stepping in as the Interim Director of ODOT, effective July 1, 2026.

Q&A

- No questions were received regarding project updates.

I-5 Closure Community Outreach

Rose Gerber provided an update on the upcoming I-5 closure outreach schedule, including details on the communications campaign and progress to date.

Monica Blanchard addressed questions raised at the previous meeting regarding free or reduced transit fares during the closure. She explained that fare reductions or waivers will not be offered. Instead, TriMet is promoting its trip planning tool and exploring additional strategies to support travelers impacted by the closure.

The project team encouraged committee members to support outreach efforts by sharing their experiences at community events and engaging their networks to spread awareness about the closure and available resources.

Q&A and Discussion

Committee members participated in a Mentimeter Poll to identify organizations and groups not yet included in the project's outreach list.

- A committee member asked how the closure dates were selected and why key events hosted by their organization were not factored into the scheduling process.
 - » Monica Blanchard explained that closure dates were determined based on project sequencing requirements, ODOT restrictions related to regional events and holidays, and favorable weather windows. Jeff Moreland added that accommodating all community events was not feasible while balancing these constraints.
- Committee members expressed concern around the potential economic impacts of construction-related disruption on small businesses and encouraged the project team to consider mitigation strategies that go beyond information sharing efforts.
 - » Monica Blanchard responded that cross-agency conversations around mitigation strategies are ongoing.
 - » Ericka Warren suggested that this meeting is a good opportunity for committee members to offer ideas to project team members, based on their connection to the community and expertise.
 - » David Kim suggested that this closure could be a good opportunity to promote small businesses around the corridor, framed as businesses to explore while waiting on traffic.
- A committee member raised concerns about emissions and safety impacts of diverted traffic along the NE Martin Luther King Jr. corridor, noting the growing number of families living in the area.
 - » David Kim acknowledged these impacts and emphasized the long-term goal of reducing traffic diversion from the highway and invited recommendations for minimizing closure-related impacts.
- A committee member recommended a marketing campaign in collaboration with elected officials, to remind the public that local businesses will remain open during construction and encourage patronage.
 - » Monica Blanchard shared that local elected officials have expressed interest in supporting such efforts.
- Several committee members expressed concern that insufficient attention has been given to direct compensation or support for those most affected by closure impacts.
 - » Ericka Warren commented that the Rose Quarter project will continue for years to come and encouraged committee members to use this opportunity to set a precedent and shape future mitigation approaches.

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- A committee member suggested leveraging the City's existing communication resources through ongoing partnership to expand outreach efforts in a cost-effective manner.
 - A committee member requested that discussion materials be shared with committees in advance of meetings and encouraged the project team to provide feedback channels beyond online platforms and applications.

Leveraging our Partnership

Project team members requested additional support from committee members with ongoing community outreach efforts, including participation in community events and sharing project information with key stakeholders. The team shared upcoming community events and opportunities for committee members to support with engagement efforts.

Q&A and Discussion

- A committee member stressed the importance of clearly communicating the project's long-term benefits to maintain public support despite disruptions. Another committee member pointed to the workforce report published monthly as a positive resource that could be shared with the community.
 - » Monica Blanchard committed to sending out the monthly workforce report to the committee members moving forward.
- Committee members recommended leveraging existing social media channels with established followings to amplify project communications, while also expanding direct, in-person outreach such as door-to-door engagement.

Next Steps

Ericka Warren shared that the committee will not meet during the summer and will reconvene in September or October. In the meantime, the project team will continue to communicate updates regarding upcoming closures.

Adjourn

Ericka Warren adjourned the meeting at 6:15 PM

CHAT TRANSCRIPT

MAIN MEETING		
Time	From	Message
5:24 PM	Natalie Hall	https://i5rosequarter.org/2026-community-focused-major-closure-outreach/

5:30 PM	Kevin Modica	One thought would be to stock public safety vehicles, Fire, Police, EMS, Parking patrol, Park Rangers, Tow trucks with the information cards to pass out. Also at back to school events in September.
5:30 PM	Felicia Tripp	So sorry team, I have to drop off for another meeting.
5:31 PM	Felicia Tripp	I am happy to help with outreach.
5:24 PM	Natalie Hall	https://www.menti.com/alf8bbhz1i8y
5:32 PM	Ericka Warren	https://i5rosequarter.org/2026-community-focused-major-closure-outreach/
5:36 PM	Michael Burch	Constructing Hope
5:36 PM	Michael Burch	Portland YouthBuilders, POIC
5:41 PM	Kevin Modica	What is the budget for drive time advertisement on Sports, Talk and News radio.
6:03 PM	Dr. Steven Holt	To all the partners in this space, especially the HABB/COAC members, we are counting on you and your connections to help with this effort.
6:03 PM	Dr. Steven Holt	Thanks so much for all that you bring to the table.
6:13 PM	Kevin Modica	That was suggested to Rose at the last meeting as well.
6:14 PM	John Washington	Flossin media won the city mayors award for the most aggressive outreach campaign