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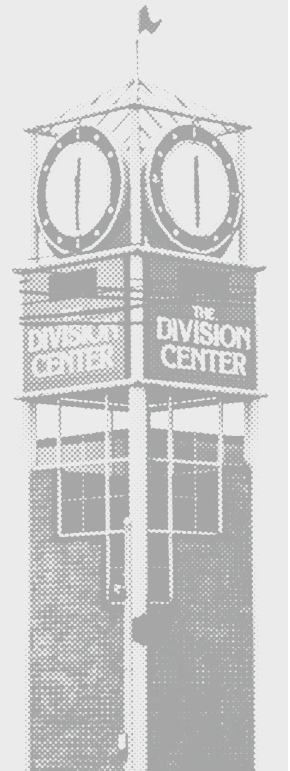
Better bus service coming to SE Division

The Division Transit Project will be a first for our community—high-capacity bus service providing faster, more reliable trips. As population and businesses along SE Division Street rapidly grow, impacts on traffic, including public transit, also increase. The Line 2-Division is one of TriMet's most popular bus lines, with more than 10,000 daily rides between Downtown Portland and Gresham. With this high ridership come challenges, however, such as crowded buses, full buses passing riders waiting at stops, and traffic congestion behind buses making frequent stops to pick up riders. The Division Transit Project will improve service along Division and help keep traffic moving while supporting increasing ridership in the future.

Faster, easier, more reliable

The 15-mile Division Transit Project will improve bus service between Downtown Portland, Southeast and East Portland and Gresham by providing

- longer, three-door buses with room for 60% more riders
- bus stops that may include amenities such as weather protection
- multiple-door boarding for quicker stops
- transit signal priority—traffic signals prioritize bus travel, getting riders to their destinations faster
- stations placed where there is greatest rider demand, to maximize travel times while making important transit connections



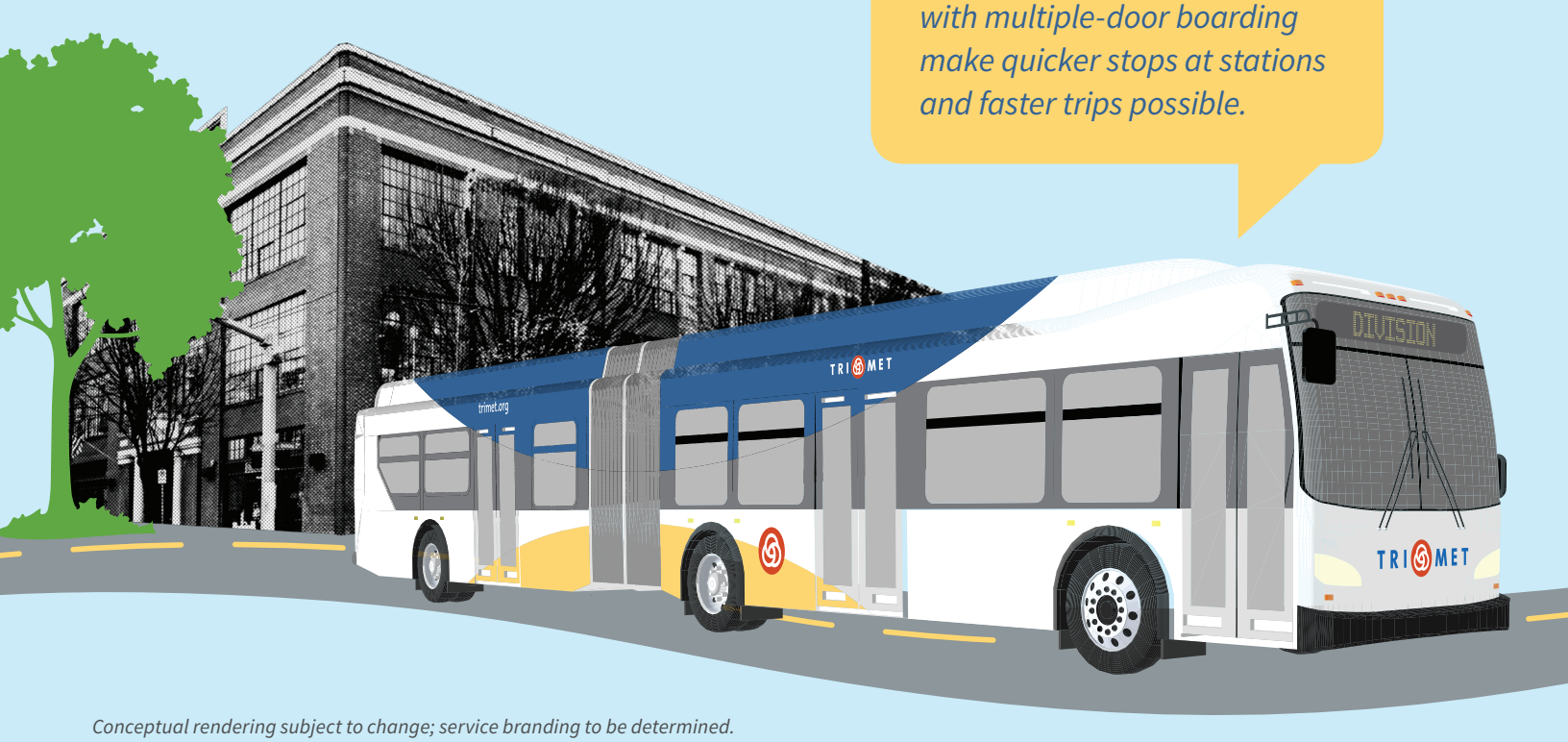
Together, these improvements will reduce travel times up to 20 percent, with buses running every 15 minutes and even more often during rush hour.

Additionally, the project will build stations appropriate to their setting along Division Street. Some stations east of 82nd Avenue will be large and comfortable with improved weather protection, lighting and passenger amenities. This portion of the route will include upgraded bicycle improvements, accessible ramps, sidewalks and pedestrian crossings around stations and major intersections.

Stations west of 82nd Avenue will see modest changes to improve the rider experience.

FAST. EASY. RELIABLE.

New 60-foot articulated buses with multiple-door boarding make quicker stops at stations and faster trips possible.



Conceptual rendering subject to change; service branding to be determined.

The project will connect Downtown Portland and Gresham, traveling on SE Division Street through southeast and east Portland to the Cleveland Park & Ride. The new service will cross the Willamette River over Tilikum Crossing, Bridge of the People, connecting the service with South Waterfront, OHSU, and PSU.

Related bus service improvements

When the new high capacity bus service begins, it will replace the Line 2-Division and the majority of those service hours from the Line 2-Division will be reallocated to existing and new bus service in east Portland and east Multnomah County. There will be public outreach and a comment process before the service hours are reallocated. The reallocation of service hours could occur before the project's scheduled opening in 2022.

In addition, near-term improvements are being made, including increased weekday frequency to Line 20-Burnside/Stark to better serve students and employees of Mt. Hood Community College in Gresham, and a new north/south bus line, 74-162nd Ave, that opened in 2018. These improvements will connect to the high capacity bus service when it opens in 2022.

Project funding

Project costs are approximately $175 million, with state, regional, local and federal funding contributions expected.

Timeline

Stay involved

Sign up for project email updates and meeting notices at trimet.org/division.
For more information, please call TriMet Community Affairs at 503-962-2150.

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