

**Lewis & Clark  
TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TPAC)**

**MINUTES**

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**Date:** October 31, 2024

**Time:** 10:00AM

**Location:** Fowler, Room 353

**Invited:** TPAC membership and open to all LC community members

**Minutes:**

**Pio Express Update**

- **Average Ridership Data:**
  - Weekdays (Mon-Fri, Daytime): 58 passengers/day
  - Mon-Thu Evenings (Fred Meyer Route): 56 passengers/day
  - Weekends (including Friday evening and Sellwood Route): 232 passengers/day
- **Route Modifications:**
  - Discussed potential adjustments to Pio Express routes to include Sellwood and Barbur transit centers.
  - Agreed to test modified routes in January, timed to coincide with Law and Graduate programs being in session, but prior to the CAS semester start.

**TriMet 35T Update**

- **Ridership Data Review:**
  - Shared ridership data from TriMet, but consensus that the data may not accurately reflect current usage.
  - Agreed to continue requesting updated data from TriMet for more accurate insights.

**2024-25 Parking Updates**

- Presented the functionality of the new camera system that counts vehicle entries and exits on campus.
- **Fountain Gateway Church Parking:**
  - Updates discussed on the church parking lot, including the addition of new security gates.

- Gate Hours: Open 6:30 AM - 6:30 PM; after-hours access requires contacting Campus Safety.
  - Discussed the church's potential expansion of the parking lot, its possible uses, and alternative options for campus parking.
  - Recommendation to issue a campus-wide announcement detailing changes to the church parking lot's availability and usage.
- **Parking Software:**
  - Update on the near-completion of new parking software; transfer of citation equipment to the new vehicle is expected soon.
- **Permit Sales:**
  - Shared permit sales data indicating an increase over last year, projecting an increase in revenue.

## Open Discussion

- **Environmental Balance:**
  - Engaged in a productive dialogue on balancing the college's environmental mission with the need for sufficient parking and transportation options.
- **Pio Express Communication Improvements:**
  - Suggested developing an online form for the campus community to submit issues with the Pio Express.
  - Noted need to improve communication on Pio Express changes, particularly for Law and Graduate students; encouraged students to download the app for real-time updates.
- **Safety Enhancements:**
  - Proposal to consider selling safety equipment (e.g., lights) to promote safer biking and walking on campus, especially in low-light areas.
- **Further Route Adjustments:**
  - Continued discussion around optimizing Pio Express routes and future plans for adjustments.

## Task List

1. **Pio Express Route Testing:** Develop test routes incorporating Sellwood and Barbur transit centers and coordinate with Eco Shuttle to initiate testing in January.
2. **Communication on Church Parking Lot Updates:** Send a campus-wide message updating the community on the church parking lot and availability.
3. **Pio Express Issue Form:** Develop an online form for campus community members to report issues with the Pio Express.
4. **Pio Express Route Updates Communication:** Issue campus announcements regarding upcoming Pio Express route changes; for example, use of the weekend route during the Thanksgiving break.