#### Marquam Hill Connector Green Ribbon Committee Meeting #4 May 8, 2019



#### Agenda

#### 4:02 – 4:15 Public Comment

- 4:15 4:20 Review of Previous Discussion
- 4:20 4:30 OHSU Marquam Hill Planning & Circulation
- 4:30 4:40 Outreach & Public Engagement Summary
- 4:40 5:05 Additional Information on Connector Types
- 5:05 5:20 Working Group Feedback
- 5:20 5:58 Discussion & Additional Information Needs





# Marquam Hill Overview Green Ribbon Committee

DATE: MAY 8, 2019 PRESENTED BY: SARA VONDE VELD, DIRECTOR, CAMPUS PLANNING & REAL ESTATE

Marquam Hill Plan District



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#### Development Site



#### South Waterfront Central District Master Plan



Schnitzer Campus Master Plan





# Outreach and Public Engagement Summary





# TriMet Committee on Accessible Transportation (CAT)



Sub-Committee Discussion April 11, 2019

#### **Preferred Options**

- Bridge + Elevator
- Inclined Elevator



# In-Person Open House



# **Online Open House**





# **Online Open House**





# **Online Open House**









# Inclined Elevator

# **Pros**:

- Cool, unique, iconic!
- Limited walking required
- Safe and weather-protected



VIEW FROM BASE OF HILL, LOOKING WEST



AERIAL VIEW, LOOKING WEST



# Inclined Elevator

# Cons:

- Expensive
- Unfamiliar operations
- Possible impacts to wildlife and the forest



VIEW FROM BASE OF HILL, LOOKING WEST



AERIAL VIEW, LOOKING WEST



# Bridge + Elevator

## **Pros:**

- Simple and cost-effective
- Limited impacts on landscape
- Canopy walk and views



VIEW FROM BASE OF CAMPUS DRIVE, LOOKING EAST



VIEW FROM BASE OF HILL, LOOKING WEST



# Bridge + Elevator

# Cons:

- Long walking distance, limited access
- Reliability concerns (existing elevators)
- Safety and exposure to elements



VIEW FROM BASE OF CAMPUS DRIVE, LOOKING EAST



VIEW FROM BASE OF HILL, LOOKING WEST



## **Pros:**

- Access to upper campus
- Maintains context of Terwilliger Parkway
- Good views and fun experience





# Cons:

- Expensive
- Capacity concerns (existing tram)
- Possible tower and cable view obstructions





# Tunnel + Elevator

# **Pros:**

- Maintains context of Terwilliger Parkway
- Sheltered from the elements



VIEW FROM BASE OF HILL, LOOKING WEST



SW Corridor

AERIAL VIEW, LOOKING WEST

# Tunnel + Elevator

# Cons:

- Expensive
- Safety/security
- Unpleasant experience, long walk



VIEW FROM BASE OF HILL, LOOKING WEST



AERIAL VIEW, LOOKING WEST



### Wildlife Corridors





#### **Providing Passage for Urban Fauna**

Larger to medium sized mammals – Deer, coyotes

Medium to smaller sized mammals – Raccoons, opossum, skunks, mice

Reptiles – Garter snakes, rubber boas

Amphibians – Salamanders, tree frogs

Birds – Woodpeckers, nuthatches, owls







#### Wildlife Corridors- Oak Habitat



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#### Oak associated birds in the northern Willamette Valley

Oak obligate - white-breasted nuthatch

Oak associated species:

- American goldfinch
- Bewick's wren
- Black-capped chickadee
- Black-headed grosbeak
- Bushtit
- Downy woodpecker
- Lesser goldfinch
- Spotted towhee
- Scrub-jay
- Western tanager
- Western wood-pewee











Minimum passage size:

- Large mammals: 6.5 ft x 10 ft
- Small mammals: 2 ft x 2 ft

Plantings to enhance cover:

- Oregon white oaks
- Dense vegetation to guide passage

Other considerations:

- Natural light
- Distance between canopies
- Vegetative cover
- Artificial light (inhibitor)
- Fencing
- Line of sight
- Noise
- Time of day of human activity



### Inclined Elevator- Elevated Guideways





## Inclined Elevator- Elevated Guideways





### Inclined Elevator- Elevated Guideways





### Inclined Elevator- Conceptual Section





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#### Inclined Elevator-Sections





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## Inclined Elevator- View Uphill





## Inclined Elevator-View West





### Inclined Elevator-View South





### Inclined Elevator-View Northeast





## Inclined Elevator- View Uphill





#### Inclined Elevator- Headhouses





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# Existing Portland Aerial Tram

- Travel Time: load/travel/unload is ~5 min
- Hours of operation: 5:30a 9:30p weekdays
- Fare: \$4.90, honors VA & OHSU ID, TriMet, Streetcar & C-Tran passes
- O&M costs: \$1.8 mil annually (split 85%/15% by OHSU/CoP)
- Attendant on-board each cabin, operator at control terminal
- Capacity: 79 people/cabin
- Jig-back operation, bi-cable system
- Redundancy: back up is bus shuttle bridge, no redundancy in cable system





## Existing Portland Aerial Tram

- Constructibility: Difficult construction of upper terminal due to limited site, complex structural engineering (Kohler Garage shoring, avoid landing on structure if possible)
- Existing upper terminus cannot be retrofitted for second tram
- Permitting: Followed public ROW, no permanent structures in Parkway





### Existing Portland Aerial Tram

- Upper terminal under 1,000,000 lbs of tension
- Cabins weight 12 tons each
- Engineered to have cable sag w/ min 70 ft clearance over existing ground at lowest point









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- 1-2 support towers needed, exact size & location unknown
- Evacuation & maintenance access needed





- 1100 people/hour AM peak estimate in 2035, Gibbs to MHC
- 140 people Maximum load, all buses & trains unload at once
- 1-2 minutes Pedestrian wait time at a major traffic intersection
- 5 minutes Cycle time for Portland Aerial Tram



	Inclined Elevator to Casey Eye	Inclined Elevator to Terwilliger	Bridge + Elevator to Terwilliger	Aerial Tram to Campus/Sam Jackson	Tunnel to Campus/Sam Jackson
Capacity Assumption	2	2 40-person cabins			2 40-person cabins
Total cabin round trip time (minutes)	3.5	2.3	1.5	6	2.9
People/hour	1360	2080	3200	1600	1600
Max load: Number of cycles	Δ	elevator cycle	S	2 tram cycles	4 elevator cycles
Max load: Max wait time (minutes)	3.5 - 5.5	2.3 - 3.5	1.5 - 2.3	3	2.9 - 4.3



# Travel Time Summary

Estimated Average Travel Time from Gibbs Station during AM Peak (Minutes)

Gibbs Station to	Via LRT to Downtown to #8 (non-MHC trip)	Via LRT to Inclined Elevator to Casey Eye	Via LRT to Bridge + Elevator to East side of Terwilliger	Via LRT to Tunnel + Elevator to Campus/Sam Jackson	Via LRT to Aerial Tram to Campus/Sam Jackson
Time on MHC	$\bigcap$	3 - 4	3 - 6	5 - 9	3 - 4
Total time to OHSU Hospital	25 - 27	11 - 15	12 21	8 - 17	7 - 12
Total time to VA Medical Center	20 - 22	11 - 14	12 - 14	12 26	11 21
Total time to Shriners Hospital	28 - 32	13 24	14 24	7 - 14	5 - 9
Total time to OHSU Hospital Expansion	17 - 27	5 - 11	7 - 16	11 - 16	9 - 11

Notes:

1. Aerial Tram travel time very preliminary, assumes 3 min for loading/travel/unloading, assumes landing point at Sam Jackson/Campus

2. Range of time represents range of fastest to slowest users.

3. Assumes existing circulation routes aside from MHC



#### Network of Routes





Member	Affiliation	Choice 1	Choice 2	Choice 3	Choice 4
Jeb Doran	TriMet	Bridge + Elevator	Inclined Elevator	Aerial Tram	Tunnel
Michael Harrison	OHSU	Bridge + Elevator	Inclined Elevator	Aerial Tram	Tunnel
Brett Horner	PP&R	Inclined Elevator	Bridge + Elevator	Aerial Tram	Tunnel
Teresa Boyle	РВОТ	Inclined Elevator	Bridge + Elevator	Aerial Tram	Tunnel
Hillary Adams	BDS	Inclined Elevator	Bridge + Elevator	Aerial Tram	Tunnel
John Dodier	VA Hospital	Inclined Elevator	Bridge + Elevator	Tunnel	Aerial Tram
Don Baack	SW Trails	Inclined Elevator	Bridge + Elevator	Aerial Tram	Tunnel
Jim Gardner	South Portland NA	Inclined Elevator	Aerial Tram	Tunnel	Bridge + Elevator
Ed Fischer	Homestead NA	Inclined Elevator	Aerial Tram	Tunnel	Bridge + Elevator
Anton Vetterlein	Friends of Terwilliger	Inclined Elevator	Aerial Tram	Tunnel	Bridge + Elevator
Chris Ford	Inclined Elevator &		Aerial Tram &		
	IVIECTO	Bridge + Elevator		Tunnel	



## Inclined Elevators

Pros	Cons
Access	Access
<ul> <li>#8 bus connection</li> <li>Parkway recreation and nature</li> <li>Centralized dispersal point</li> <li>Minimal physical effort</li> <li>Weather protected</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Requires additional connection into campus via pathway or bus</li> <li>Budget (\$35 – 45 million)</li> <li>Operations         <ul> <li>Not fully known cost of O&amp;M</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Context	Environmental
• Lower profile than other options <b>Experience</b>	<ul><li>Wildlife crossings</li><li>Potential impacts to utilities</li></ul>

Unique and iconic •





# Inclined Elevators- Landing

Terminus East of Terwilliger	Terminus West of Terwilliger
Jeb Doran of TriMet	Teresa Boyle of PBOT
Hillary Adams of BDS	Don Baack of SW Trails
<ul> <li>Michael Harrison of OHSU</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Anton Vetterlein of Friends of Terwilliger</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Brett Horner of PP&amp;R</li> </ul>	Ed Fischer of Homestead NA
<ul> <li>John Dodier of VA Hospital</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Jim Gardner of South Portland NA</li> </ul>
Reasoning for Landing Choice	
Minimizes cost	Undercrossing reduces modal conflicts on Terwilliger
<ul> <li>Minimizes construction risks</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maintains historic character of Parkway</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Improves at-grade crossing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Lands closer to Hill destinations</li> </ul>





### Inclined Elevators - Alignment #1





#### Inclined Elevators - Section





### Inclined Elevator- Alignment #2





### Inclined Elevator- Alignment #3





#### Bridge + Elevators - Potential Alignments





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#### Bridge + Elevators - Alignment #1





#### Bridge + Elevators - Section





## Bridge + Elevators

Cons
<ul> <li>Access <ul> <li>Walk distance, exposure on bridge</li> <li>Requires additional connection into campus via pathway or bus</li> </ul> </li> <li>Context <ul> <li>Size/visibility of elevator tower</li> <li>Width/thickness/visibility of bridge structure &amp; abutment</li> <li>View corridors</li> <li>Tree clearing around bridge structure</li> </ul> </li> <li>Safety <ul> <li>Camping under structure</li> <li>At-grade xing - concerns about sight lines &amp; modal conflicts on Terwilliger</li> <li>Bridge width – concerns about bike/ped conflicts</li> </ul> </li> <li>Environmental <ul> <li>Tree removal</li> <li>Potential impacts to utilities</li> </ul> </li> </ul>







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# Aerial Tram- Alignment #1

• 1-2 support towers needed, exact size & location unknown Potential upper terminus Evacuation & maintenance access • between roadway & garage: needed Challenging construction site, approx 3500 SF Clearance needed over Campus Dr , 50⁰ max Clearance needed inn. for cable sag Sam Jackson Park Rd Kohler Garage Campus Dr mining Existing canopy -~60-100ft Terwilliger Blvd 50<sup>°</sup> max **Barbur Blvd** Potential lower terminus above or next to station



at Barbur Blvd

Pros	Cons
Access <ul> <li>Further into OHSU</li> <li>Minimizes physical effort</li> <li>Weather protection</li> </ul> Experience <ul> <li>Nice views, fun</li> </ul> Environmental/Context <ul> <li>Least long-term impacts to area</li> <li>Avoids impacts to habitat/wildlife</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Access         <ul> <li>No Parkway connection</li> <li>Long connections to lower campus or VA</li> <li>Not preferred by sensitive users (cabin swings, vertigo, etc.)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Budget (\$50 – 85 million)</li> <li>Operations         <ul> <li>Likely to require fee</li> <li>Likely limited hours of operation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<image/>	<ul> <li>Requires attendants</li> <li>High costs</li> <li>Limited ability to expand capacity</li> <li>Context <ul> <li>Visible support towers and cables</li> <li>Lower path of travel over Parkway than existing tram</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



#### Tunnel + Elevators - Potential Alignments





### Tunnel + Elevators- Alignment #1





#### Tunnel + Elevators - Section





## Tunnel + Elevators

Pros	Cons
Access	Safety
Weather protection	Requires attendants
Context	Need space to gather at elevators
<ul> <li>Low impact to Parkway</li> </ul>	undeground
Environmental	Budget (\$55 – 125 million)
<ul> <li>Low long-term impacts to</li> </ul>	Experience
habitat/wildlife	Confined spaces create issues for some users
	Access
	<ul> <li>No Parkway connection</li> </ul>
	Walk distance is long & out of
Thurs	direction for some destinations
	Operations
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	<ul> <li>High risk construction type</li> </ul>
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