



MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 2023

TO: All Employees

FROM: Debbie Laszlo

SUBJECT: Are you using your TriMet Hop Fastpass card to ride for free?

The City of Hillsboro is proud to offer and support a variety of eco-friendly commute options. To that end, annual TriMet Hop Fastpass cards are made available to City employees, free of charge. The Hop Fastpass is the free ticket to ride TriMet Buses, MAX Light Rail, and WES Commuter Rail. Recent data reveals that roughly 30% of City passes have been utilized this contract year. We understand that public transportation is not feasible for everyone. To maximize the use of our limited number of passes, please consider the following:

- Take advantage of any opportunity to use public transportation! The pass is available for both work-related and personal use.
- Regularly Sworn Officers are exempted from fares under [TriMet Fare Code Chapter 19.20.C](#): “Regularly sworn officers of local law enforcement agencies within the TriMet boundaries, and the Oregon State Police, are exempt from payment of fares on (TriMet) District vehicles upon displaying police identification or police badges upon request when entering or remaining upon any District vehicle.”
- If you would like to learn about transit, carpooling, bike routes or other sustainable commute options, please contact [Robin Straughan](#), Sustainability & Resiliency Manager.
- If you work a hybrid schedule and want to try an alternative to driving alone when you come to the office, [Robin](#) can help you plan a stress-free trip.
- If public transportation is not an option for you, please consider voluntarily returning your TriMet Hop card to Human Resources. This returns the pass to our pool of availability.
 - If you don't know where your card is, HR can still use the credit for another employee; please contact [Aubrey Kintz](#) in HR and she will take care of it!
- If your circumstances change at any time in the future, you are welcome to contact HR and request another Hop Fastpass card, free of charge.