

# Orphaned Highway to a Safe, Thriving, Accessible Future: Vision to Action on Portland's 82nd Avenue

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# Agenda

**2:00-2:20**

**Presentation**

- History of 82nd Avenue
- PBOT's Work
- A Transit Rich Corridor
- Development Plan
- Tax Increment Financing

**2:20-2:30**

**Q&A**

**2:30-2:40**

**Small Group Discussion**

**2:40-2:45**

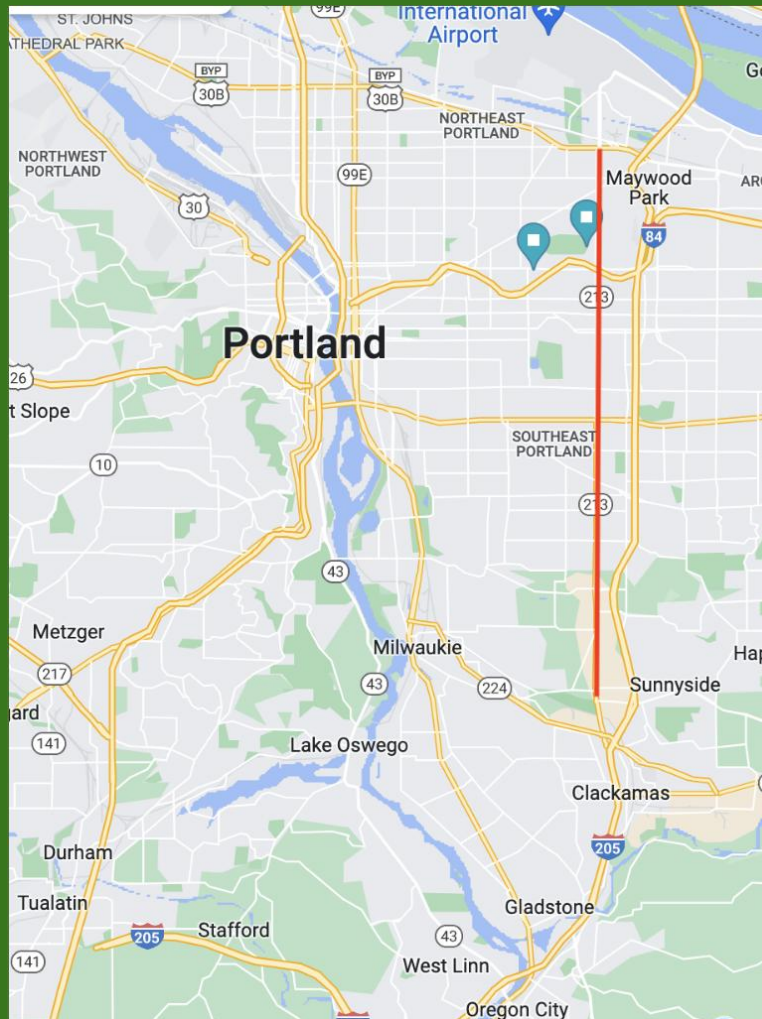
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## Learning Targets

- 1. Understand the history, organizing efforts, and future plans for 82nd Avenue**
- 1. Understand the interdisciplinary nature of this jurisdictional transfer and future investments**
- 1. Reflect on how experiences along 82nd Avenue can inform organizing efforts in other corridors where jurisdictional transfer is needed**

# **82nd Avenue Quick History!**





82nd Avenue

# 1916 (Halsey)

Image of intersection of Halsey and 82nd in 1916. Dirt roads and railroad tracks.



**1930's (North Toward McDaniel)**  
**Standing on Halsey and 82nd looking north.**  
**Soon after first early paving.**



# Sandy Looking North



Portland Archives, A2009-009.1630

*162-5 N.E. 82nd St. S. of Sandy Blvd.*

*10-29-32*

# Fremont Looking North



# Mill Looking North



# Division Looking South



# Glisan Looking North

*N.E. Glisan & 82nd*



# Powell Looking South



# 1950's

## Improved interchange at Halsey and 82nd.



# Sandy Looking North



# Aerial McDaniel (Madison)

## Aerial shot of McDaniel High in the 1950's



# 1960's Stark Looking South



# 1980's Division/Powell Looking South



Portland Archives, A2008-008.700

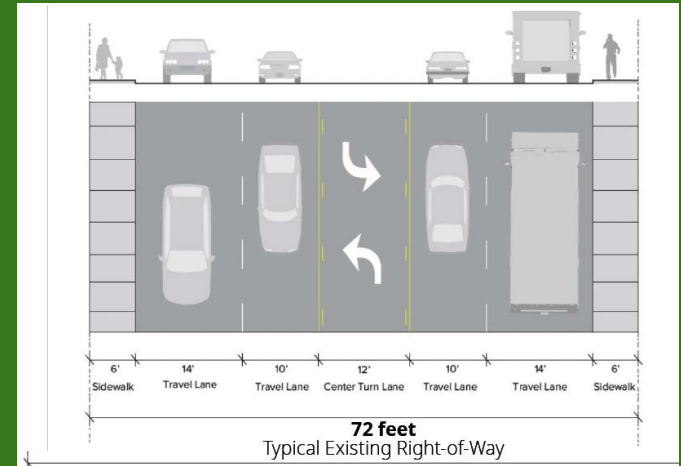
**1982**

**Aerial shot of I-205 bridge when opened**



# Vital Stats

- PBOT High Crash Corridor
- One of the most ethnically and racially diverse places in all of Oregon
- Bus line–72–has highest use corridor in entire metropolitan area
  - 14,000 daily weekday riders
  - 11th highest delayed route
- Daily vehicle counts as of 2019
  - Northern section: 15,000
  - Middle/northern section: 20,000
  - Middle/southern section: 20,000-27,000
- 60' curb to curb



# Jurisdictional Transfer



City of Portland

- Organizing and history leading up to the jurisdictional transfer
- ODOT - PBOT agreed to transfer with \$185 million for improvements
- Phase I: critical safety improvements in process
  - Lighting, ADA compliance, Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossings, Repaving
  - ~\$80 million
- Phase II
  - ~\$105 million

**Some work has been done!**



McDaniel High  
School looking north

# Fremont and 82nd looking south





Division and 82nd  
looking north

# Division and 82nd looking south





Crossing at  
Mill and 82nd

# Building a Better 82nd (PBOT)

- **Phase I Critical Fixes: \$80M ARPA (by end of 2026)**
  - 245 street lights upgraded, 54 new poles
  - 7 signalized pedestrian/bike crossings
  - 52 ADA ramp upgrades, 29 signal timing improvements
  - 200+ new trees, 2 miles repaving by end of 2026
- **Phase II: \$105M starting 2027 (repaving, medians, sidewalks, transit)**

NE 82nd at Russell Street, looking north



Tree planting near NE Russell



Signal installation at SE Ramona



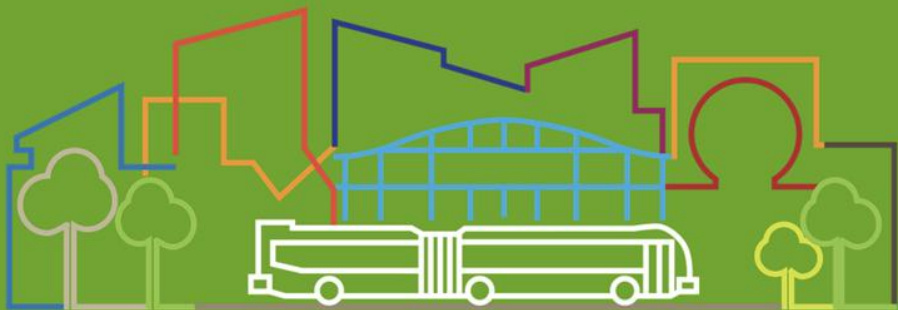
Night paving at 82nd and Division



# Confluence of Investment

- ~\$1 billion in multijurisdictional investment:
  - PBOT: \$185 million
  - TriMet: \$350 million
  - Prosper Portland: Tax Increment Financing (TIF), \$460 million

# Transit



## 82ND AVE TRANSIT PROJECT

# 82nd Avenue Development Strategy

- **6 priorities:**
  - Workforce | Climate | Childcare | Business Stabilization | Housing | Community Dev
- **Funded and Moving (APANO)**
  - **Housing:** Canton Grill, Legin Commons (124 units), Jade Apartments (40 units)
  - **Small Business:** small business advising, workshops, technical assistance
  - **Climate/Workforce:** \$55.5M PCEF for transit-related workforce dev, community solar
- **Gaps We Are Working to Fill**
  - Small business needs assessment, construction stabilization, commercial protections
  - Park planning, greenspace development, corridor-wide community development
  - BAT lanes funding gap (~\$8-10M by July 2026)
- **Current Phase: City Council Resolution + TIF Action Plan**

# 82nd Ave TIF District

- Approved Oct 2024, collecting since July 2025
- 1,874 acres, \$460M over 30 years
- 45% housing | 40% econ dev | 15% infrastructure
- 13-member Community Leadership Committee (CLC) developing 5-Year Action Plan



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# Questions



## **Small Group Conversation (10 minutes)**

Prompt: What can you learn from 82nd Avenue and the 82nd Avenue Coalition that is applicable to your work?

**Share Out**

