

# CITY OF HUBBARD

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Hubbard City Council  
Mayor Charles Rostocil

Attention Co-Chairs of the Joint Committee on Transportation

Regarding: HB 2662

The City Council of Hubbard has voted to support HB 2662, a study on the feasibility of expanding the WES service from Wilsonville to Salem. The support for this effort can be linked to the following goals the Hubbard City Council would like to address:

- Help relieve the congestion on the I5 corridor between 217 and past Woodburn during peak commuting hours.
- Help relieve the congestion along the 551 cutoff and 99E during peak commuting hours. Congestion along 99E in Canby, Aurora, Hubbard, and Woodburn has become extremely congested.
- Provide alternative transportation options for those unable to afford future tolling along I5.
- Provide alternative transportation options for individuals and families that cannot afford private transportation.
- Help expand mass transit to a rural community.

The desire of the Hubbard City Council would be to have HB 2662 define a plan to expand mass transit to the rural communities via WES (and a yet-to-be-defined last mile connection to Canby, Aurora, and Hubbard), and tax impacts to our rural communities (the cost for this effort).

Kind Regards

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