



May 3, 2023

Honorable Co-Chairs  
Senator Fred Girod  
Representative Paul Holvey  
Joint Committee on Ways and Means  
Subcommittee on Capital Construction  
Oregon State Legislature  
900 Court St., NE  
Salem, Oregon 97301

Dear Co-Chairs Senator Fred Girod, Representative Paul Holvey, and Members of the Subcommittee on Capital Construction,

I am writing to seek your support for the City of McMinnville's Third Street Improvement Project. The City of McMinnville has BIG CITY challenges without BIG CITY resources. With a population of 35,000 people, our city is too SMALL to compete for federal programs, and too BIG to meet eligibility for rural designated programs. This results in the community bearing the full cost to complete major projects.

Your support can provide the funding needed to address the City of McMinnville's Third Street Improvement Project direct allocation request of \$4,000,000. This project will fix deteriorated downtown infrastructure that has led to accessibility and safety issues.

This improvement project includes street and sidewalk reconstruction, utility (water, broadband and sewer) upgrades and landscaping, on McMinnville's award-winning main street - Third Street. We have been working on this project as a community for the past 20 years, with the adoption of our Downtown Improvement Plan in 2000, the establishment of the Urban Renewal District in 2013, and the past four years of visioning and concept designs.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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