

# 2019-20



# State Legislative Agenda



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Acting on behalf of the residents and businesses of the City of Wilsonville and SMART, the City Council adopts this legislative agenda to guide municipal policy positions in the 2019-20 session of the Oregon Legislative Assembly.

*Wilsonville City Council, January 7, 2019*



## 1. GOVERNANCE

### ■ Local Autonomy

1.1 The City of Wilsonville supports the home-rule autonomy of local governments and opposes efforts to preempt local-government authority to work on behalf of the city’s residents and businesses. The City seeks opportunities to restore municipal authority where it has previously been pre-empted by state law.

### ■ State Shared Revenues / Unfunded Mandates

1.2 The City of Wilsonville supports the State Shared Revenue formula and opposes efforts to shift service-costs from the State to local governments, often referred to as “unfunded mandates.” The City opposes efforts to reduce traditional “shared revenues,” which include alcoholic beverage and cigarette taxes and other state shared revenue that pay for essential local services.

## 2. TRANSPORTATION & TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE

### ■ Transportation

2.1 The City of Wilsonville supports multi-modal transportation options—including roadways, transit services and bike/ped alternatives—for residents, commuting workers and businesses.

2.2 The City of Wilsonville supports strategies and plans that maintain or increase the traffic-handling capacity of I-5 for the timely movement of freight and conduct of commerce, including the stretch of I-5 Boone Bridge crossing the Willamette River.

2.3 The City of Wilsonville supports increased funding by federal and state governments of public transportation infrastructure.

2.4 The City of Wilsonville supports efforts to re-open and maintain the operations of the Willamette Falls Locks and Canal.



### ■ Transit

2.5 The City of Wilsonville supports increased funding and access to increased transit services that provide residents and commuting workers with an affordable option for personal mobility.

2.6 The City of Wilsonville supports expanded Westside Express Service (WES) commuter rail transit service for full-day and Saturday service and extension of service to Salem.

### 3. ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

#### ■ Land Use and Development

3.1 The City of Wilsonville supports sustainable, “smart-growth” concepts that include objectives such as walkable neighborhoods, compact urban development, the conservation of valuable resource lands and the protection of prime agricultural soils outside the urban growth boundary (UGB).

3.2 The City of Wilsonville supports Oregon land-use law that calls for intergovernmental coordination and urban-development activities to occur in cities—areas with municipal governance and supporting infrastructure—and opposes efforts to encourage activities outside of cities that result in urban-level development.

3.3 The City of Wilsonville supports initiatives that reclaim industrial “brownfield” sites in urban settings for productive re-use and that assists cities to develop existing industrial lands. These kinds of initiatives maximize the benefit from existing public resources and reduce the need for urban-growth boundary expansions to accommodate industrial development.

3.4 The City of Wilsonville supports the creation or extension of additional economic-development tools that cities may utilize as they wish, including implementing the Oregon Industrial Site Readiness Program that complies with current state law and making the state “Enterprise Zone” and similar designations available to more cities.

#### ■ Workforce Development

3.5 The City of Wilsonville supports adequate funding for institutions of higher education in order to provide more comprehensive workforce development opportunities for future and current employees of industrial employers.

3.6 The City of Wilsonville supports efforts to improve the overall quality of K–12 education, and in particular to strengthen Science-Technology-Engineering-Math (STEM) education, as well as post-secondary education that prepare tomorrow’s workforce.

### 4. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

4.1 The City of Wilsonville supports the protection of the environment and important natural resources for the benefit of human health, quality of life for citizens, recreational opportunities, and wildlife habitat.



# FAST FACTS: City of Wilsonville & South Metro Area Regional Transit (SMART)

## ■ Population: *One of Oregon's fastest growing cities*

For the past 20 years, Wilsonville has been one of Oregon's fastest growing cities with population over 10,000. Wilsonville is now the state's 22<sup>nd</sup> largest city.

| Jurisdiction           | 2000 Census | 2018 PSU Est. | % Change |
|------------------------|-------------|---------------|----------|
| City of Wilsonville    | 13,991      | 25,250        | 96.9%    |
| Portland metro region* | 1,444,219   | 1,839,005     | 22.2%    |
| State of Oregon        | 3,421,399   | 4,195,300     | 22.6%    |

\* Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties

## ■ SMART Transit: *I-5 Corridor Public Transportation Service*

South Metro Area Regional Transit (SMART) provides transit services six days per week for 300,000 riders composed of commuting workers and residents. SMART links with regional transit providers, including TriMet and WES (Westside Express Service) commuter trains, Salem Area Mass Transit District ("Cherriots") and Canby Area Transit (CAT), as well as providing in-town fixed-route and paratransit services.



## ■ Education & Workforce Development: *In-Demand Skills Training*

OregonTech Wilsonville is the metro-area campus of the Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT), the state's premier university of advanced engineering and applied-technology studies. OregonTech Wilsonville works closely with the region's high-tech employers and area high schools to promote hands-on, practical Science-Technology-Engineering-Math (STEM) curriculum.



Clackamas Community College, Wilsonville Training Center Campus  
West Linn-Wilsonville School District and Canby School District



## ■ Employment: *Over 20,000 Jobs with \$1.1 Billion Direct Annual Payroll*

Wilsonville's 1,080 businesses provide 20,317 full-time equivalent jobs, of which about half are in high-wage industrial occupations of manufacturing—primarily in high-tech and software engineering—wholesale distribution and professional services. Nine out of 10 employees commute to jobs in Wilsonville primarily from the Portland metro-area and North Willamette Valley, Canby, Woodburn and Salem/Keizer.



SOURCE: Oregon Employment Dept.

Total annual payroll in Wilsonville exceeds \$1.1 billion annually—an +80% increase since 2000—that generates a total direct/indirect regional economic-multiplier impact of over \$3.2 billion per year.

## Top-10 Private-Sector Wilsonville Employers

Sorted descending by Number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Jobs

| Business                                    | Type            | Jobs |
|---|-----------------|------|
| 1. Siemens Mentor Graphics Corp.            | Software        | 986  |
| 2. Xerox Corp.                              | Manufacturing   | 687  |
| 3. Sysco Food Services                      | Wholesale Dist. | 545  |
| 4. Rockwell Collins                         | Manufacturing   | 475  |
| 5. Swire Coca-Cola USA                      | Mfg/Dist.       | 366  |
| 6. TE Medical Tyco Electronics Connectivity | Manufacturing   | 359  |
| 7. Costco Wholesale                         | Retail          | 292  |
| 8. Southern Wines & Spirits                 | Wholesale Dist. | 283  |
| 9. Fred Meyer Stores                        | Retail          | 261  |
| 10. OptiMiM                                 | Manufacturing   | 255  |



The Wilsonville SMART Transit Center serves as the TriMet Westside Express Service (WES) commuter rail train station that features a 400-car park-and-ride lot that can be expanded. Each WES train is met by SMART buses that whisk employees to the worksite within 10 minutes of arrival in Wilsonville, providing key 'last-mile' public transit service.