



**Special Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Umpqua Public Transportation District**  
Friday, September 27, 2024, 12:00 p.m.  
3076 NE Diamond Lake Blvd, Roseburg, OR 97470  
**APPROVED MEETING MINUTES**

**Called to order 12:08 pm**

**Roll Call**

Doug Mendenhall- P      Michaela Hammerson- P      John Estill- P      Natasha Atkinson- P  
Cathye Dewhirst Curreri- P

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Review Draft of Letter and Email for ODOT Reimbursement Request**

Due to sensitive nature, board discussed in executive session.

**Moved into Executive Session ORS 192.660(2)(e)** To conduct deliberations with persons you have designated to negotiate real property transactions.

Returned to session at 1:19 pm

**Motion:** Director Curreri moved to request attorney Ron Sperry III to draft a letter to ODOT in response to their August 15th letter titled UPTD NEPA Corrective Action Letter. Seconded by Vice Chair Estill. Motion carries. Vote: 4 – Aye, 0 – Nay, 0 – Abstain, 1 – Absent: Director Mendenhall.

Director Atkinson requested applications for Board for review prior to Monday's meetings.

Updated agenda for Monday 9/30/24 meeting.

**Adjourned at 1:25 pm.**

**NO AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION PERMITTED DURING THIS SPECIAL MEETING**  
**NO CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – ON AGENDA ITEMS & NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

The Oregon Attorney General's Public Records and Public Meetings Manual states that the Public Meetings Law is a public attendance law, not a participation law. "The right of public attendance guaranteed by Public Meetings Law does not include the right to participate by public testimony or comment [...] Governing bodies voluntarily may allow limited public participation at their meetings" (Attorney General Rosenblum, 2019, p. 155). Additionally, the Oregon Attorney General's Manual states, "The presiding officer has inherent authority to keep order and to impose any reasonable restrictions necessary for the efficient and orderly conduct of a meeting. If public participation is to be a part of the meeting, the presiding officer may regulate the order and length of appearances and limit appearances to presentations of relevant points. Any person who fails to comply with reasonable rules of conduct or who causes a disturbance may be asked or required to leave, and upon failure to do so becomes a trespasser. The law's requirement that 'all persons be permitted to attend any meeting' does not prevent governing bodies from maintaining order at meetings" (Attorney General Rosenblum, 2019, p. 156).