

# I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project Values Statement

**Draft**

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## The Why

We gather to take action toward righting the wrongs of the past. We commit to move forward to create a project that is integrated into the community's vision of a safer, more just and inclusive Albina community and greater Portland Region. We work to establish a more predictable international transport system that supports the resiliency of rural and urban Oregon while making the I-5 corridor work better for everyone. We must ensure historically marginalized communities benefit from the investment of this project.

## Values and Outcomes

With the I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project we collectively seek to advance the following outcomes through our common set of values. With these values, we seek to build trust and foster collaborative partnerships. For a successful project and complimentary investment in the Albina community, agencies and organizations with transportation, land use and development authority will need to build and maintain strong partnerships with each other and the community. The vision for a stronger, more resilient and equitable Albina community cannot succeed without it.

Value: Restorative Justice		
What do we mean?	Aim	Desired Outcomes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This process is committed to elevating the voices of and providing benefit to the historically impacted Albina community.</li> <li>• This process is committed to identifying, encouraging and, where appropriate, facilitating opportunities for public/private partnerships to spur pathways for wealth generation, particularly for youth.</li> <li>• This process is committed to recognizing the generational wealth and opportunity taken from the historic Albina community, specifically Portland's Black community, due to the construction of public and private developments, including: I-5, the Moda Center, Veteran's Memorial Coliseum, the Convention Center, Legacy Emanuel Hospital, and other urban renewal.</li> <li>• This process is committed to recognizing and intentionally shifting the historic deficiency in support that Portland's Black-owned businesses have received from government agencies.</li> </ul>	<p>Accelerate social, racial, and economic equity sustaining positive tangible change specifically for Portland's Black community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acknowledge and own the impacts of these developments on the community to build community trust and advance short- and long-term actions that shall create community stability, economic wealth and opportunity in Albina.</li> <li>• Particularly for the Black community and other communities still experiencing systemic racism, accelerate direct access to:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decision-makers and decision-making processes</li> <li>• Family wage career opportunities, healthcare, and education emphasizing financial literacy</li> <li>• Housing both to own and affordable to rent</li> <li>• Affordable business space to own and lease</li> <li>• Spaces supporting cultural heritage and education and training opportunities, especially for youth</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Provide opportunities for wealth generation through public/private partnerships to provide intentional projects where Black-owned business will thrive and spur pathways for wealth generation.</li> <li>• Use land development opportunities to foster public and private partnerships to support the redevelopment vision for Albina through a process led, managed and built by and for the Black community.</li> <li>• Maximize Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) opportunities at every phase of the project, exceeding mandated targets, to gain jobs, build capacity, address specific minority contracting needs in Portland, and provide career opportunities for minority workers while not neglecting</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This process is committed to elevating community partners civically and economically as part of the process, maximizing participation in decision-making and developing future young leaders.</li> </ul>		<p>the significance of majority owned Black, Indigenous and people of color (BIPOC) contracting and service provider firms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advocate for local, state and federal funding opportunities to maximize the investments in the Albina community to fully realize its vision.</li> <li>Benefit those historically harmed through actions taken.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Value: Community Input and Transparent Decision-Making</b></p>		
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This process is committed to an authentic, transparent and responsive engagement strategy; one that informs and is informed by two-way dialogue.</li> <li>This process is committed to connecting with community members in diverse spaces to amplify marginalized voices, and meeting the community on their terms.</li> <li>This process is committed to reflecting community values, input and decisions in major project outcomes so that community members see themselves in the results.</li> <li>This process is committed to including all transportation system users in a feedback loop that clearly communicates how community input is used within authority and responsibility frameworks.</li> </ul>	<p>Community-informed &amp; involved decision-making through a community-connected, transparent and inclusionary process.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implement intentional, creative engagement that meets communities on their terms and fosters a two-way dialogue that demonstrates how these conversations inform decision-making.</li> <li>Implement intentional, creative engagement that elevates the voices of those historically marginalized and clearly identifies their influence in outcomes.</li> <li>Bring people with diverse background and expertise together to gain input, inform the Project development process, and to ensure the Project addresses transportation system needs as well as community desires for a future Albina.</li> <li>Reflect the shared power of the community and local, regional, and state government to influence project decisions and outcomes and accountability for those outcomes.</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This process is committed to keeping the community informed on why determinations are made.</li> </ul>		
<p>Value: Mobility Focused</p>		
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This process is committed to providing multimodal travel opportunities in a fiscally responsible way.</li> <li>This process is committed to establishing connectivity and supporting a sense of place and space.</li> <li>The process is committed to improving access points for state, regional and local connections and improved functionalities.</li> <li>This process is committed to improving safety, reducing congestion, improving travel time reliability, and connecting</li> </ul>	<p>Increase connectivity for the traveling public and local community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Invest in the multimodal transportation system to reduce congestion locally, regionally, and statewide.</li> <li>Use development opportunities to foster safer travel for all users.</li> <li>Use development opportunities to foster connectivity and improve operational capacity for individuals, business, industry, and organizations throughout the city, region, state, and west coast.</li> <li>Enhance economic growth by capitalizing opportunities to support supply chain reliability within the state network.</li> </ul>

<p>population and job centers within Oregon and across the West Coast.</p>		
<p><b>Value: Climate Action and Improved Public Health</b></p>		
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This process is committed to providing multimodal opportunities and investments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) and improve air quality, public health and safety.</li> <li>• This process is committed to addressing local, regional, and statewide climate action goals.</li> <li>• This process is committed to managing travel demand and improving multimodal travel efficiency.</li> </ul>	<p>Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and meet local, regional, and statewide climate action goals.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimize the environmental footprint of the project as feasible while it is being built.</li> <li>• Create a more efficient transportation system by improving highway traffic flow and improving multimodal opportunities in the Albina area.</li> <li>• Develop and implement congestion pricing on the I-5 corridor to manage demand as soon as possible.</li> <li>• Improve air quality and minimize impacts to human health in the Project area, particularly for communities of color that are disproportionately impacted by air toxins.</li> <li>• The project will improve air quality on the grounds of Harriet Tubman Middle School and Lillis-Albina Park</li> </ul>