1	BEFORE THE LAND USE BOARD OF APPEALS
2	OF THE STATE OF OREGON
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4	PARKER JOHNSTONE
5	WILSONVILLE HONDA,
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8	VS.
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10	OREGON DEPARTMENT
11	OF TRANSPORTATION,
12	Respondent.
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14	LUBA No. 2010-019
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16	FINAL OPINION
17	AND ORDER
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19	Appeal from the Oregon Department of Transportation.
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21	John R. Osburn, Portland, filed the petition for review and argued on behalf of
22	petitioner. With him on the brief was Bullivant Houser Bailey PC.
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24	Kathryn A. Lincoln, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Oregon Department of
25	Justice, Salem, filed the response brief and argued on behalf of respondent. With her on the
26	brief was John R. Kroger, Attorney General.
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28	HOLSTUN, Board Chair; BASSHAM, Board Member; RYAN, Board Member,
29	participated in the decision.
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31	AFFIRMED 10/04/2010
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33	You are entitled to judicial review of this Order. Judicial review is governed by the
34	provisions of ORS 197.850.

Opinion by Holstun.

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#### NATURE OF THE DECISION

Petitioner appeals an Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) decision that approves an Interchange Area Management Plan (IAMP) for the Interstate 5/Wilsonville Road interchange in the City of Wilsonville. The OTC is the policy making body for the

Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT).

#### **FACTS**

Interstate 5 is a north/south freeway through the City of Wilsonville. The Interstate 5/Wilsonville Road interchange is a "traditional urban diamond interchange." Respondent's Brief 3. Wilsonville Road is an east/west five-lane major arterial. Petitioner operates an auto dealership that is visible from Interstate 5 approximately one-quarter of a mile south of the interchange, on the east side of Interstate 5. Access to and from petitioner's dealership via Wilsonville Road is provided by Parkway Avenue, which parallels I-5 and was constructed as a frontage road by ODOT. There is an existing right-in right-out access to and from Parkway Avenue on Wilsonville Road approximately 165 feet east of the northbound interstate off-ramp. Traffic traveling east on Wilsonville Road wishing to access petitioner's dealership and traffic leaving petitioner's dealership wishing to travel east on Wilsonville Road may use the existing Parkway Avenue access onto Wilsonville Road. Respondent explains the alternate travel route required for westbound traffic on Wilsonville Road and for traffic from petitioner's dealership wishing to travel west on Wilsonville Road:

"There is currently a median on Wilsonville Road that restricts turning movements. Vehicles traveling east on Wilsonville Road are limited to right turns only onto Parkway Avenue and vehicles traveling north on Parkway Avenue are limited to right turns only onto Wilsonville Road. No other turning movements are possible. Vehicles traveling west on Wilsonville Road and desiring to go south on Parkway Avenue, and vehicles going north on Parkway Avenue desiring to go west on Wilsonville Road must use the signalized intersection of Wilsonville Road and Town Center Loop West, located [approximately 500] feet east of Parkway Avenue." Repondent's Brief 6.

1 Under the challenged IAMP, the current Parkway Avenue access onto Wilsonville Road is to

be closed. After that closure, all traffic between Wilsonville Road and petitioner's dealership

will be required to exit Wilsonville Road at Town Center Loop and travel south

4 approximately 200 feet to Main Street and then turn and travel approximately 500 feet west

on Main Street to Parkway Avenue. From the intersection of Main Street and Parkway

Avenue, the route to and from Wilsonville Road to petitioner's property is unchanged under

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Following public workshops and public meetings, the IAMP was adopted by the City of Wilsonville on November 16, 2009, as part of the city's comprehensive plan. The IAMP was presented to the OTC at a public meeting on January 14, 2010, and the OTC adopted the IAMP as part of the State of Oregon Transportation Plan. This appeal followed.

# MOTIONS TO STRIKE

Petitioner moves to strike portions of Respondent's Brief: page 6 lines 13-22, page 7, lines 9-13 and page 33, lines 13-17. Petitioner contends that factual statements that appear at those pages of the respondent's brief are not supported by the evidentiary record in this matter. Petitioner also moves to strike an e-mail message in the record that postdates the decision.

#### A. The Alternative Route via Town Center Loop West

We do not understand petitioner to challenge respondent's contention on page 6 of its brief that if Parkway Avenue is closed under the IAMP, the alternative route for access to and from petitioner's property will be via Parkway Avenue, Main Street and Town Center Loop West. If petitioner does challenge that contention, we reject the challenge. Record 42. ODOT clarifies that Town Center Loop West is approximately 500 feet east of Parkway

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> According to ODOT, this Town Center Loop West/Main Street route between the intersection of Main Street and Parkway Avenue is the same route now used by westbound traffic on Wilsonville Road to petitioner's dealership and traffic from petitioner's dealership that wishes to travel westbound on Wilsonville Road.

- Avenue, not 400 feet east of Parkway Avenue as stated in its brief. Record 112, 161. With
- 2 that clarification, this part of petitioner' motion to strike is denied.

#### B. The City's Decision to Adopt the IAMP

- 4 Petitioner moves to strike respondent's contention on page 7 of its brief that
- 5 petitioner did not appeal the city's decision to adopt the IAMP. We do not understand
- 6 petitioner to claim that it did appeal that decision, and the appeal status of the city's action in
- 7 this matter has no bearing on our ultimate disposition of this appeal. This part of petitioner's
- 8 motion to strike is denied.

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# C. Visibility of Petitioner's Property

- On page 33 of its brief, respondent argues in response to petitioner's argument that its
- property has been taken without just compensation:
- 12 "\* \* \* Customers and delivery trucks can reach Petitioner's driveways from
- Parkway Avenue via Main Street and Town Center Loop West, and Memorial
- Drive. Petitioner still has a very visible presence in the interchange area and
- from I-5. The property retains significant economic value. Thus there is no
- regulatory taking." Respondent's Brief 33.
- 17 The map at Record 42 shows the alternative routes to access petitioner's property from
- Wilsonville Road and shows the location of petitioner's property next to I-5. This part of
- 19 petitioner's motion to strike is denied.

# 20 D. The April 14, 2010 E-Mail Message

- 21 Petitioner did not object to the record filed by Respondent in this matter. Its motion
- 22 to strike is in essence a belated record objection. This part of petitioner's motion to strike is
- 23 denied.
- 24 Petitioner's motions to strike are denied.

#### 25 **REPLY BRIEF**

26 Petitioner moves for permission to file a reply brief. The motion is allowed.

#### WAIVER/EXHAUSTION/JURISDICTION

On pages 9 to 17 of respondent's brief, in arguing that petitioner failed to preserve all but one of its assignments of error, respondent argues for a significant extension of the Court of Appeals' holding in *Miles v. City of Florence*, 190 Or App 500, 79 P3d 382 (2003). Respondent also argues that the decision in the IAMP to close the Wilsonville Road/Parkway Avenue intersection is not reviewable by LUBA as a land use decision. Respondent further argues that LUBA lacks jurisdiction to determine whether the decision to close the Wilsonville Road/Parkway Avenue intersection leaves petitioner with reasonable access or constitutes a taking under Article I, section 18 of the Oregon Constitution.

We would normally turn first to any challenge to our jurisdiction before considering any other arguments on the merits. *See Adams v. City of Ashland*, 33 Or LUBA 552, 554 (1997) (LUBA is obligated to consider whether it has jurisdiction over an appeal regardless of whether the issue is raised by the parties). However, respondent's "jurisdictional" arguments are really arguments about our scope of review, rather than a jurisdictional challenge. Elsewhere in its brief, respondent concedes that the OTC decision to adopt the IAMP is a land use decision subject to LUBA's review jurisdiction. Respondent's Brief 8. Because there is no challenge to our jurisdiction, and our disposition of petitioner's assignments of error make it unnecessary for us to decide the waiver, exhaustion and scope of review issues that respondent raises on those pages of its brief, we do not attempt to resolve those issues.

#### FIRST ASSIGNMENT OF ERROR

Petitioner's first assignment of error is actually two very different assignments of error. First, petitioner argues the IAMP is a final "facility plan" as OAR 731-015-0015(10) defines that term.<sup>2</sup> OAR chapter 731, division 15 sets out the Oregon Department of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As defined by OAR 731-015-0015(10) a "facility plan" is "a plan for a transportation facility such as a highway corridor plan and an airport master plan."

- 1 Transportation's (ODOT's) state agency coordination program under the statewide planning
- 2 program.<sup>3</sup> OAR 731-015-0065(6) requires that the OTC "adopt findings of compatibility
- 3 with the acknowledged comprehensive plans of affected cities and counties and findings of
- 4 compliance with applicable statewide planning goals when" the OTC adopts a final "facility
- 5 plan." Petitioner argues the OTC adopted no findings that the IAMP is compatible with the
- 6 city's comprehensive plan or complies with applicable statewide planning goals.
- 7 Petitioner next argues that although the IAMP states that the issue of whether to close
- 8 the current Parkway Avenue access onto Wilsonville Road was to have been further
- 9 reviewed before closure, the IAMP also acknowledges that such further review never
- 10 occurred. Petitioner contends the IAMP is therefore inconsistent with ODOT's
- intergovernmental agreement with the city.

# A. Failure to Adopt Findings of Compatibility with the City's Acknowledged Comprehensive Plan.

Action to adopt the "Interstate 5/Wilsonville Road IAMP" was "Agenda [Item] E" at the January 14, 2010 OTC meeting that led to the challenged decision. Record 52. The documents that were before the OTC at that meeting as Agenda Item E included a staff report

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> OAR 731-015-005 sets out the purpose of the division:

<sup>&</sup>quot;The purpose of this division is to establish the procedures used by the Department of Transportation to implement the provisions of its State Agency Coordination Program which assure that Department land use programs are carried out in compliance with the statewide planning goals and in a manner compatible with acknowledged comprehensive plans, as required by ORS 197.180 and OAR 660, Divisions 30 and 31."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> OAR 731-015-0065(6) implements ORS 197.180(1), which provides in part as follows:

<sup>&</sup>quot;[S]tate agencies shall carry out their planning duties, powers and responsibilities and take actions that are authorized by law with respect to programs affecting land use:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(a) In compliance with the goals, rules implementing the goals and rules implementing this section; and

<sup>&</sup>quot;(b) In a manner compatible with acknowledged comprehensive plans and land use regulations."

- 1 (Record 56-61), proposed findings that address the statewide planning goals and the city's
- 2 comprehensive plan (Record 62-84) and the IAMP itself (Record 87-274). The staff report
- 3 explains that findings concerning state and local land use plans have been prepared and the
- 4 staff report expressly refers to the proposed findings at Exhibit B. The staff report also
- 5 includes the following:

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### "Suggested Motion Language

- 7 "I move to adopt the I-5/Wilsonville Road Interchange Area Management
- 8 Plan as an element of the Oregon Highway Plan and adopt the findings in
- 9 support of this action." Record 61 (bold lettering in original).
- 10 The minutes of the January 14, 2010 OTC meeting include the following:
- 11 "Commissioner Wilson moved to approve the IAMP. The motion was
- unanimously approved." Record 12.
- We understand petitioner to argue that the OTC's action on January 14, 2010, as
- evidenced by the above minutes, was adequate to adopt the IAMP but was not sufficient to
- adopt the proposed findings. We understand petitioner to further argue that because those
- findings are required by OAR 731-015-0065(6) remand is required.
- 17 The recording of the January 14, 2010 meeting included in the record indicates the
- actual motion was worded somewhat differently than the above-quoted minutes:
- "Is there a motion on Agenda Item E? I so move. All those in favor [all
- 20 member vote aye]."
- 21 It is clear that the OTC intended to adopt the proposed findings that appear at Record 62-84,
- 22 which were part of Agenda Item E, and the above motion was sufficient to do so. Even if it
- 23 were not sufficient, we do not understand petitioner to dispute that the OTC adopted the
- 24 IAMP document. The findings that appear at Record 62-84 also appear as Appendix G of the
- 25 IAMP. Record 199-224. The findings in Appendix G address the statewide planning goals
- and the city's comprehensive plan and appear to be nearly identical to the findings at Record
- 27 62-84. Petitioner does not challenge the substance of either set of findings, and it is difficult

- 1 to imagine how the IAMP could be incompatible with a comprehensive plan that was
- 2 amended to include the IAMP.

# B. Failure to Further Review Closure of Parkway Avenue Access Onto Wilsonville Road

- 5 The IAMP includes the following explanation for why the existing Parkway Avenue
- 6 Access onto Wilsonville Road should be closed:
- 7 "Parkway Avenue Access

- "Parkway Avenue access at Wilsonville Road will be closed as part of the current Interchange Reconstruction Project. The closure of Parkway Avenue at Wilsonville Road is a key strategy to maintain safety for turning movements from the northbound I-5 exit ramp to Wilsonville Road. The current ODOT interchange access spacing standard for right-in/right out access is 750'. Parkway Avenue is currently located 165' from the I-5 northbound ramp intersection which is well below the current standard. Parkway Avenue is within ODOT's access control and such, ODOT has the authority to close the street access.
- "The agreement to modify Parkway Avenue was formalized between the City and ODOT in 1994. During the original Phase 1 reconstruction of the interchange, the City signed an intergovernmental agreement \* \* \* with ODOT stating the following:
  - "'ODOT and the City agree that upon completion of the project, the access at Wilsonville Road and Parkway Avenue will have been reconstructed as a right-in/right-out and will remain as such until an alternative access is provided by the City. At which time, direct access from Parkway Avenue to Wilsonville Road will be reviewed by the City and ODOT for possible modification or elimination.'
  - "Although there has been no formal 'review' of the Parkway closure requirement as previously agreed to between the City and ODOT, it is ODOT's position that alternative access has been provided by Main Street via a connection from Town Center Loop West to Parkway Avenue. This alternative was planned, adopted, and constructed in the middle to late 1990's as part of the Village at Main Street Master Plan in anticipation of the Parkway Avenue closure. The City of Wilsonville provided the majority of the street improvement funds to create the public alternative access." Record 113.
- The above text in the IAMP explains the safety reasons for closing the existing
- 37 Parkway Avenue access onto Wilsonville Road. The IAMP explains that while

intergovernmental agreement between ODOT and the city may have envisioned a more "formal review," a safer access to Wilsonville Road for Parkway Avenue has already been constructed. Even if we assume the intergovernmental agreement did envision a more formal review, petitioner does not explain how a deviation from that aspect of the intergovernmental agreement would provide a basis for remand of the OTC's decision to adopt the IAMP. We understand the IAMP to take the position that no further review is needed because an acceptable alternative access has already been constructed since the intergovernmental agreement was entered. To the extent any explanation was legally required to explain the OTC's decision to adopt the IAMP with its proposal to close the Parkway Avenue access onto Wilsonville Road, the explanation set out in the IAMP is adequate.

The first assignment of error is denied.

#### SECOND AND THIRD ASSIGNMENTS OF ERROR

OAR 734-051-0155(1) expresses a policy of encouraging "the development of Access Management Plans and Interchange Area Management Plans to maintain and improve highway performance and safety by improving system efficiency and management \* \* \*." Petitioner argues that OAR 734-051-0155(5)(c) requires that ODOT and the OTC develop IAMPs "in coordination with local governments and property owners in the affected area." Petitioner also argues that OAR 734-051-0155(7)(f) requires that when developing an IAMP ODOT and the OTC must "[c]onsider existing and proposed uses of all the property within the designated study area \* \* \*." Petitioner contends the coordination with "property owners in the affected areas" that is required by OAR 734-051-0155(5)(c) and the consideration of existing uses of property that is required by 734-051-0155(5)(c) did not occur with regard to petitioner's property.

# A. Coordination with Property Owners (Second Assignment of Error)

In response to petitioner's contention that there was a failure to coordinate with petitioner as an affected property owner, ODOT points out that the record establishes that

developing the IAMP was a joint city and ODOT project and there was extensive public outreach, including workshops and open houses, prior to the city's action to adopt the IAMP as part of its comprehensive plan. Record 61; 194-98; 228; 284-89, 385-87. The closure of the current access from Parkway Avenue onto Wilsonville Road was a specific topic of discussion. Record 198. Petitioner appeared before the OTC on January 14, 2010 and objected to the proposal to close the current access from Parkway Avenue onto Wilsonville Road. At that meeting there was a presentation showing the alterative access from Parkway Avenue to Wilsonville Road via Main Street and Town Center Loop West. Record 42.

Petitioner and ODOT disagree regarding whether ODOT's safety concerns about the current Parkway Avenue access onto Wilsonville Road warrant closing that access in favor of the alternate access to the east via Main Street and Town Center Loop West. But the record is sufficient to demonstrate that ODOT coordinated with petitioner as an affected property owner, as required by OAR 734-051-0155(5)(c). Petitioner suggests that most of the public outreach that ODOT relies on occurred before the city adopted the IAMP as part of the city's comprehensive plan and petitioner contends *ODOT* cannot rely on the *city's* efforts to coordinate with affected property owners. We reject the suggestion. Adoption of the IAMP was a joint city/ODOT planning effort, and ODOT was not required to repeat the public outreach and discussion effort that preceded city action on the IAMP.

# **B.** Consideration of Existing Uses of Property (Third Assignment of Error)

The record includes a map showing the study area that was examined in adopting the IAMP. Record 98. Appendix C of the IAMP is a description of the "Existing Land Use and Transportation Conditions." Record 155-73. The IAMP specifically addresses the safety reasons that support closure of the existing Parkway Avenue access onto Wilsonville Road and concludes that the alternative access at Town Center Loop West is sufficient. Record 113. ODOT contends that the record is sufficient to establish that ODOT considered "existing uses of property," as required by 734-051-0155(7)(f). We agree with ODOT.

The second and third assignments of error are denied.

# FOURTH AND FIFTH ASSIGNMENTS OF ERROR

Under Statewide Planning Goal 2 (Land Use Planning) "actions related to land use" must be supported by "an adequate factual basis." That Goal 2 requirement has been interpreted to require that actions related to land use must be supported by "substantial evidence." 1000 Friends of Oregon v. City of North Plains, 27 Or LUBA 372, 377-78, aff'd 130 Or App 406, 882 P2d 1130 (1994). Substantial evidence exists in support of a finding when the evidentiary record is such that a reasonable person could make the finding. Dodd v. Hood River County, 317 Or 172, 179, 855 P2d 608 (1993).

The stated basis for closing the Parkway Avenue access at Wilsonville Road is that the access at that point violates ODOT spacing standards. But there are a number of other existing access points on Wilsonville Road that also violate current ODOT spacing standards, and yet are not to be closed under the IAMP. Petitioner contends the closure of the Parkway Avenue access on Wilsonville Road is therefore arbitrary and unsupported by substantial evidence.

Petitioner also argues that the IAMP provides that "short range actions shall accommodate existing development needs, unless the property is to be purchased by ODOT." Record 109. Petitioner contends there has been no accommodation of its loss of access and ODOT is not proposing to purchase petitioner's property. Petitioner contends the closing is therefore is "not internally consistent with the IAMP's requirements and policies, as required by ORS 197.835." Petition for Review 7.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> We are not sure which of the 16 subsections of ORS 197.835 petitioner is relying on.

A. The OTC's Decision to Close the Existing Parkway Avenue Access is Arbitrary and is not Supported by Substantial Evidence (Fourth Assignment of Error)

ODOT responds that the ODOT spacing standards that form the basis of petitioner's second assignment of error are standards that ODOT strives to achieve over time, as opposed to absolute standards.<sup>6</sup> The IAMP specifically recognizes that the IAMP was adopted to move in the direction to meeting ODOT spacing standards for all access points.<sup>7</sup> The IAMP separately addresses all current accesses to Wilsonville Road within one-quarter of a mile of the interchange, sets out proposed short and long range actions for those accesses and explains why decisions are made concerning each of those accesses. Record 110-11. The reasons specified for closing the existing Parkway Avenue access were set out earlier under our discussion of the first assignment of error. ODOT contends that the record in this appeal is sufficient to show that the OTC's decision to close the current Parkway Avenue access onto Wilsonville Road is not arbitrary and is supported by substantial evidence. We agree with ODOT.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> OAR 734-051-0015(1), provides in part:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Access management spacing standards for approaches to state highways:

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<sup>&</sup>quot;(c) Do not apply to approaches in existence prior to April 1, 2000 except where any of the following occur:

**<sup>&</sup>quot;**\* \* \* \* \*

<sup>&</sup>quot;(C) For a highway or interchange construction or modernization project or other roadway or interchange project determined by the Region Manager, the project will improve spacing and safety factors by moving in the direction of the access management spacing standards, with the goal of meeting or improving compliance with the access management spacing standards."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> One of the stated objectives of the IAMP is to "[m]eet, or move in the direction of meeting, ODOT adopted access management spacing standards for access to interchange crossroads." Record 107.

1	В.	<b>Short Range Actions Shall Accommodate Existing Development Needs</b>	
2	The IAMP includes a number of objectives, including the following:		
3 4	"8.	Short-range actions shall accommodate existing development needs, unless property is to be purchased by ODOT." Record 109.	
5	Petitioner argues ODOT does not propose to buy its property and has failed to accommodate		
6	its existing development needs.		
7	As previously explained, under the IAMP, the existing Parkway Avenue access ont		
8	Wilsonville Road a short distance north of the northbound off-ramp is to be replaced with		
9	slightly longer route to connect with Wilsonville Road via Main Street and Town Center		
10	Loop West.	Petitioner and OTC clearly disagree about the adequacy of that alternative	
11	access. However, based on the current record we are unable to agree that OTC's decision to		
12	select that alternative results in a failure to "accommodate existing development needs."		
13	The fourth and fifth assignments of error are denied.		
14	SIXTH ASSIGNMENT OF ERROR		
15	Under	r its sixth assignment of error, petitioner argues:	
16 17 18 19	"The IAMP itself acknowledges that it must provide affected properties with reasonable access to the transportation system.' In addition, Petitioner has a common law right to reasonable access to its property. [ODOT] v. Hanson, 162 Or App 38, 44, 987 P2d 538 (1999)." Petition for Review 7.		
20	Petitioner go	es on to argue that its customers will no longer be able to use the existing	
21	frontage road (Parkway Avenue) to access the dealership, and car hauling semi-trailers wi		
22	no longer be able to access the dealership "because the width of Town Center Loop West		
23	too narrow to accommodate these large trucks making the turn without going into oncoming		
24	lanes." Petiti	on for Review 8.	
25	The re	ecord does not support petitioner's contention that its customers will no longer	
26	be able to acc	cess the dealership from Wilsonville Road via Parkway Avenue. Its customers	
27	traveling east	t on Wilsonville Road will be required to drive approximately 500 feet farther	
28	east on Wilso	onville Road, past the existing Parkway Avenue access. At Town Center Loop	

1 West, those customers will turn south and travel approximately 200 feet to Main Street 2 where they will turn west and travel 500 feet to Parkway Avenue. From the intersection of 3 Main Street and Parkway Avenue petitioner's customers' access along Parkway Avenue to 4 petitioners' property is not affected by the IAMP. Some of the trips petitioner's customers 5 make will be required to travel approximately 1000 feet farther between the intersection of 6 Main Street and Parkway Avenue and Wilsonville Road. But it is simply not accurate to say 7 that under the IAMP petitioners' customers will no longer have access to the dealership via 8 Parkway Avenue.

With regard to the additional difficulty large trucks may have in reaching petitioners' property, we do not understand petitioner to argue that the IAMP gives petitioner a greater right of access than it enjoys under common law. Under common law, while petitioner may have a right of access, that right of access does not extend to a right to access of a particular type or at a particular location:

"The state insists that, under Oregon Investment Co. v. Schrunk, 242 Or 63, 408 P2d 89 (1965), it is entitled to restrict access to a public highway without compensation in the interests of public safety. \* \* \* At common law, any property owner has a right of access to public thoroughfares. State Highway Com. v. Burk et al., 200 Or 211, 228, 265 P2d 783 (1954). But the right of access is specific to no particular location and, thus, is subject to regulation by the state without compensation as long as some reasonable access remains available. Thus, the court was careful to hold in Oregon Investment Co. that the state was authorized to deny access to a property at one location 'if adequate means of access remain to the owner at the other street or streets.' Oregon Investment Co., 242 Or at 73. That makes sense, because the common-law right entitles the owner only to access generally, not access at a particular location. As a result, when the state regulates access merely at a particular location, there has been no taking of the common-law right, because access remains available." ODOT v. Hanson, 162 Or App at 44.

Petitioner has both a common law and property right to access Parkway Avenue from its property, but petitioner has no property or common law right to access Wilsonville Road at its current connection with Parkway Avenue.

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Petitioner also argues that "closure of the Parkway Avenue access [to Wilsonville Road] transforms Parkway from a frontage road into nothing more than a local street, in violation of a deed held by Petitioner \* \* \*." Petition for Review 7. In a 1980 deed from petitioner's predecessor to ODOT, petitioner's predecessor reserved a right of access from petitioner's property to Parkway Avenue and referred to Parkway Avenue as a "frontage road:"

"Reserving for service of [petitioner's predecessor's] remaining property, rights of access to the frontage road located on the easterly side of the highway (Parkway Ave.) opposite Highway Engineer's Station 552+50, unrestricted as to use and 50 feet in width. Said frontage road shall be connected to the main highway or to other public ways only at such places as [ODOT] may select." Record 279A.

Replacing Parkway Avenue's existing connection with Wilsonville Road with a connection via Main Street and Town Center Loop West does not make Parkway Avenue something other than a frontage road and is not inconsistent with any rights reserved to petitioner's predecessor under the 1980 deed.

# SEVENTH ASSIGNMENT OF ERROR

Finally, petitioner argues that the decision to close the existing Parkway Avenue connection with Wilsonville Road and provide access to Wilsonville Road from the Parkway Avenue/Main Street intersection via Main Street and Town Center Loop West results in an uncompensated taking of petitioner's property, in violation of Article I, section 18 of the Oregon Constitution and the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution.

We reject petitioner's seventh assignment of error for two reasons. First, the Clackamas County Circuit Court has already entered a judgment rejecting petitioner's taking claim against respondent. Second, petitioner's taking argument is premised on its contention that it has a protected property interest in the existing access provided by Parkway Avenue onto Wilsonville Road. Petitioner has no such property interest, and without a protected property interest petitioner has no taking claim. *McDonald v. Halverson*, 92 Or App 478,

- 1 487, 760 P2d 263 (1988). Under the 1980 deed, petitioner has a property interest to access
- 2 Parkway Avenue from its property. But that deed does not grant petitioner any property
- 3 interest in Parkway Avenue's connection with Wilsonville Road, over one-quarter of a mile
- 4 from petitioner's property. To the contrary, that 1980 deed expressly provides that the
- 5 location that Parkway Avenue is "connected to the main highway or to other public ways" is
- 6 to be "at such places as [ODOT] may select." Record 279A.
- 7 The seventh assignment of error is denied.
- 8 OTC's decision is affirmed.