

TriMet construction projects boost the local economy. For minority firms like Raimore Construction, a black-owned company headquartered in northeast Portland, it has meant 20 years of construction work with bigger contracts on the horizon.

Contractor Grows with TriMet

Raimore on track for biggest contract ever

Northeast Portland's Raimore Construction, a black-owned firm with 20 years of experience working for TriMet, has been selected for pre-construction services for the transit agency's new Division Transit Project and is now in line to receive the largest Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) contract in Oregon history.

Raimore will help bring faster, more efficient and reliable bus service to the east side with its pre-construction work for bringing high-capacity bus service to a 15-mile corridor between Gresham and downtown Portland. Construction is expected to begin early next year.

Key features of the project will include a new bus line to accommodate 60-foot-long, articulated buses with three doors for quicker boarding and room for 60 percent more riders and space for bikes; construction of 42 transit stations with 83 platforms and upgraded rider amenities.

Raimore's job performance on pre-construction, a contract valued at \$395,000, is expected to put it on course to win the total Division Transit Project contract valued at \$60-\$65 million, which would be the largest DBE contract in state history, TriMet officials said.

The local contractor's history of working with TriMet dates back to the construction of the Interstate MAX Yellow Line in north Portland. It was during that project that TriMet created a national model for its Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program.

Raimore is now course to realize its decades-long goal of graduating from TriMet's DBE pro-

The achievement blazes a trail for other small, minority-owned businesses opportunities to follow. It also continues TriMet's commitment to engage in equitable, sustainable and fiscally-prudent business practices for decades to come, officials said.

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Bus Operator Information Session 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Career Paths in Transportation and Maintenance Noon-1 p.m.

Maintenance Opportunities Information Session 1-2 p.m.



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Fabricator's Death Unsolved

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office cited "homicidal as the cause of death.

Gora's custom fabrication work ranged from barbeques to elaborate artwork that added unique flavor to surrounding north and northeast neighborhoods for restaurants, shops, or in people's

In the months leading up to his death, Gora was trying to sell his property and possessions. He held an estate sale in late April after re-

ceiving nuisance complaints from the city for debris and vehicles in Oregon State Medical Examiner's his yard, as well as a citation for residing in what was zoned as commercial property for over 40 years, a city official said.

Police said information learned from social media sites may lead to the identification of suspect(s) and can be shared anonymously through their partners in justice, Crime Stoppers of Oregon.

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