



# CLACKAMAS COUNTY

## Pedestrian & Bikeway Advisory Committee

### Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, November 1, 2022**

Hybrid Meeting Held at Clackamas County Development Services Building  
(150 Beaver Creek Rd, Oregon City, OR 97045) Room 301 & Remotely via Zoom  
<http://www.clackamas.us/engineering/pbac.html>

#### **6:30 p.m. – Welcome**

Bruce Parker, Hans Tschersich, Dale Guenther, Dave Weber, Pete Ihrig, Mindy Montecucco, Del Scharffenberg, Dick Weber

Staff: Scott Hoelscher – Engineering Division (ED), Brett Setterfield – ED

Representatives: Nicole Perry – Safe Routes to School

Members of the Public: David Stanek

#### **6:30 p.m. – Approval of October Minutes**

Dave made a motion to approve the minutes, Pete seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **6:35 p.m. – Linwood Ave Path**

Scott provided an overview of the Linwood Avenue Improvements project. He showed a video flyover of the Clackamas County portion of the roadway (Johnson Creek Blvd to Monroe St) previewing the mixed-use path improvements.

Bruce asked when completion of the project is expected, and Scott said sometime 2024. Mindy asked if the Committee if there are a lot of delivery trucks crossing that bike lane if there is heavy industry in the area, and if so, safety for bikers and pedestrians is important, both from a visibility standpoint and vegetation. Scott said a number of trees and vegetation will be removed as part of this project, and no fences will go all the way up to the path for visibility. Hans said this area is mostly residential and probably don't have to worry about industrial trucks often.

Dick asked about the connection to the Aquatic Park path and onto Sunnybrook. Scott said the funding around the Clackamas Town Center was all used and the County still needs to find funding for that project. Mindy asked about the different surface between the path and the driveways, and said that in Europe they keep the path all the same color surface to let drivers know that bikes and pedestrians use the path. Dave said that you could potentially put down green ladder painting on the driveways. Hans, Del and Pete said keeping the path all one surface makes the most sense. Scott said he could bring the comments to the project team as it's in 90% design, as it sounds like there's a pretty strong consensus that the group feels it should be a

single surface type. Scott said he'll talk to the project manager, but a letter of support from the Committee might be stronger.

Dave made a motion to write a recommendation letter stating the surface type of Linwood Ave project be a single surface type, or signage such as green paint ladder striping along the concrete portions of driveways, Pete seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

### **7:15 p.m. – Hot Spots**

Bruce discussed a hot spot that the Committee has gone over at a previous meeting along S Feyrer Park Rd between S Adams Cemetery Rd and S Shady Dell Rd where cars pass on an uphill stretch where the shoulder gets quite narrow and the sight line is low. Scott, Bruce and Dave talked with the County Traffic Engineer and said after looking at Strava data the corridor gets decent usage. They're looking at adding signage letting drivers know to look for bike riders.

Scott discussed the SE Mather Rd hot spot where the bike lane gets progressively narrow. Scott said the County just wrapped up striping season, but they'll look at restriping next season.

Scott went over the Oatfield Rd hot spot between Naef Rd and Roethe Rd where the bike lane bottlenecks with the guardrail and overgrown vegetation. Scott said Maintenance is doing a field check and may need to perform vegetation removal.

Scott discussed the Fuller Rd segment where cars are parking in the bike lane in front of La Salle College Prep and Scott and Bruce said the County needs to do a site visit to gage the issue more.

Scott went over the Courtney Ave hot spot where it meets McLoughlin Ave on the east side where a bike lane disappears, making way for two traffic turning lanes in each direction. There's also parking at the business taking over the pedestrian sidewalk path. Scott said they've contacted the business to move the vehicles for pedestrians, and either striping or sharrows on the roadway to let drivers know there is a conflict zone where bikers are present. The Committee discussed the issue with the business double parking vehicles, taking up pedestrian space.

Scott said there is a second hot spot on E Courtney Ave where a couple of tree stumps have uprooted the sidewalk, and the bike lane starts several feet from the intersection.

Dick provided a new hot spot on Sunnyside Rd and 122<sup>nd</sup> Ave where drivers heading south and turning west, cross the bike lane without any indication, creating a significant conflict point. The group discussed adding either green ladder painting or a stop sign for vehicles.

### **7:50 p.m. – Meeting Time Discussion**

Bruce and Scott asked the Committee if the current meeting time and date, and hybrid style still works for members. Del said the Committee used to start at 6:00 p.m., which was challenging to get to and some people asked to start at 7:00 p.m., which is why they moved it to 6:30 several years back. He said 7:00 would work well for him. Kenath said 7:00 would work quite well for him, and several members said they could make 7:00 work. Dave said he likes earlier as he wakes up quite early for work, and the later the meeting starts the later it'll be over with all the topics the Committee covers.

After continuing discussion, Bruce said it seems there is consensus to maintain the 6:30 p.m. start time and the hybrid style, he polled PBAC members and it was unanimous.

### **8:00 p.m. – Open Discussion / Project Updates**

Brett informed the Committee about the upcoming recruitment for the PBAC. The County is required to conduct a recruitment every two years, and half of the current members of PBAC appointments will be expiring at the end of the year. If those members want to remain on the Committee, they'll just need to reapply.

Scott gave an update on the Walk/Bike Clackamas Plan, informing the group about the first Walk/Bike Advisory Committee (WBAC) meeting. The information on that meeting can be found on the website with the meeting agenda, the presentation, and a video recording of the meeting. He'll provide more information at the next meeting and keep PBAC informed.

The County received funding for the I-205 path gap project. Details on that plan are forthcoming and PBAC will get updated as it moves forward.

### **8:15 p.m. Adjourn**

Dick made a motion to adjourn, Pete seconded and the motion passed unanimously.