



CLACKAMAS COUNTY

Pedestrian & Bikeway Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 3, 2023

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, Dave Weber, Pete Ihrig, Joseph Edge, Kelli Grover, Steve Adams, Dick Weber, Dale Guenther, Hans Tschersich

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

Representatives: Nicole Perry – Safe Routes to School

Members of the Public: Elena Kazarov, David Stanek, Jeanette DeCastro

6:35 p.m. – Public Comment

Elena lives in Oak Grove and she's interested in the pedestrian and bicycle issues because her neighborhood needs more safety along Oatfield Rd and other roads in the area.

Dick Weber said there's a manhole cover along Arista Rd that causes issues for bikers. He said several riders hit that this past Saturday.

Jeanette said she wants to be a more robust pedestrian and bicyclist, and was interested in what the committee is involved in.

6:40 p.m. – Approval of December Minutes

Dick made a motion to approve the minutes, Kelli seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

6:45 p.m. – High Capacity Transit

Brett presented on the High Capacity Transit project and gave a quick overview of the Metro led project.

7:05 p.m. – Regional Transportation Plan Call for Projects

Brett presented on the RTP call for projects, outlining all the projects Clackamas County submitted, including several active transportation projects.

7:15 p.m. – Walk/Bike Plan: Slow/Family Friendly Streets

Scott presented on the Shared/Family Friendly Streets component of the Bike/Walk Clackamas Plan update. The goal of this process is to determine local/neighborhood streets where the speed limit can be reduced to create a safe on-street route for bicyclists, similar to Neighborhood Greenways in Portland. Part of this project would be to add signs, pavement markings, traffic calming / diverters, and wayfinding signage. One example of a potential shared street in Clackamas County is along SE River Forest Dr. in Oak Grove, as well as SE Risley Ave. He shared the Prioritization Criteria which includes:

- Connect to Bikeway
- Connects to Destination
- Designation on “Bike There” Map
- Fills gap in trail network
- Alignment with Equity Area
- Residential Density
- Public Input
- Presence of Sidewalk
- Safety and Feasibility

Elena said to focus on the east side of Oak Grove as well, and to ensure that the way a street is built be considered, not just posted speed as people will drive faster if the roadway is built for faster speeds. Bruce said ‘Presence of Sidewalk’ should possibly be removed from the criteria, as he doesn’t want a road to be disqualified if there is patchy sidewalks. Dale said another factor to consider is Tolling ramifications on side streets as people divert to side streets.

7:45 p.m. – Chair/Vice-Chair Elections

Joseph said it’s healthy for a Committee to have turnover with its officers. He appreciates all Bruce has done, and just wants to encourage turnover. Dave nominated himself as Chair. Mindy nominated Bruce for Chair, but he respectfully declined.

Dave was unanimously voted as Chair. Steve nominated Joseph for Vice-Chair, and he was unanimously voted as Vice-Chair.

7:55 p.m. – Hot Spots

Scott showed the Committee a Hot Spot submitted by Hans along McLoughlin Blvd where several intersections have severely deteriorated sections. The bike lane is also pushed away from the sidewalk, creating a buffered bike lane that’s buffered on the wrong side. Scott said this is timely as they’re getting solutions soon for the McLoughlin Blvd project being conducted by ODOT. Steve said that the area between the bike lane and sidewalk may be used as parking.

Dick brought up a new Hot Spot along Arista Rd where it meets the off-street portion of the Trolley Trail on the south end. There is a manhole that’s not flush with the asphalt and creates a depression. There was a woman who broke her wrist riding over that just a few days back.

8:05 p.m. – Open Discussion / Updates

Scott said a resident of the Beavercreek area of the County wrote him and said arterial roadways outside the Urban Growth Boundary should be a priority, particularly paved shoulders for bicyclists.

Scott let the Committee know that the letter written by PBAC regarding the upcoming Linwood Ave project has a response from the project consultants. He'll send that out to the Committee in the day-after email.

Dale asked about the family featured rides in the Bike Map, and said he supports it and wanted to see if that was continuing. Scott said they're in the process of updating the map with more of those.

8:15 p.m. – Adjourn

Dave made a motion to adjourn, Kenath seconded and the motion passed unanimously.