



# CLACKAMAS COUNTY

## Pedestrian & Bikeway Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, November 7, 2023**

Remote meeting held via Zoom

<http://www.clackamas.us/engineering/pbac.html>

### **6:30 p.m. – Welcome**

Del Scharffenberg, Dave Weber, Kelli Grover, Steve Adams, Joseph Edge, Bruce Parker, Dick Weber

Staff: Scott Hoelscher – Engineering Division (ED)

Guest: Christina Robertson-Gardiner – Oregon City

### **6:35 p.m. – Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

### **6:40 p.m. – Approval of September Minutes**

Del had two changes to the minutes. Dave suggested correcting the time of the agenda items on the minutes. Scott made these changes. Del made a motion to approve the October minutes as amended. Bruce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **6:47 p.m. – McLoughlin Boulevard Enhancement Project**

The meeting started late due to technical issues and having to resend the zoom link.

Christina Robertson-Gardiner gave an overview of the project. There is funding for “project development” for a section of McLoughlin through Oregon City. It is the most complicated segment given crumbling, narrow sidewalks, dilapidated railings, limited street lighting, all interwoven with OR 99E viaducts. Project goals include closing the sidewalk gap and providing safe pedestrian and bicycle access and providing a complete street design for McLoughlin Boulevard from 10th Street to Railroad Avenue. Christina showed a map of the project area, which is from 10th St. on the north to Railroad Ave. on the south. She showed pictures of the area, including a view of the viaducts from the Willamette River. Phase 1 included sidewalks, landscaped medians and center turn lanes. Christina went over the adoption process and outreach elements of the project. Outreach will include targeting business and property owners; bike, pedestrian, and transit users; tourism stakeholders and the general public. Adoption would be a preferred concept and adoption into the Transportation System Plan. This will allow the city to pursue grant funding in the future.

A big component of the project is reconnecting the downtown with the Willamette River. Considerations are maintaining a vibrant downtown, economic development, tourism, access to recreation and historic preservation. Christina talked about upcoming engagement opportunities, including conducting a virtual open house in December.

Steve asked about the alternative down by the river and if it was similar to the East Bank Esplanade. Christina said that it was.

Scott asked about the timeline. Christina said it was a year + long project and there would be two open houses.

The committee asked about looking at areas on McLoughlin, south of the tunnel. Christina said that would be a separate planning effort. At this stage, the goal is to get good pedestrian connections to the tunnel.

Scott said he would send Christina the emails for PBAC members so they could be added to the interested parties list for the project.

### **7:17 p.m. – PBAC Jerseys**

Scott gave the committee an update on the jersey project. He said there was a pause put on the order due to the sizing question. We didn't want to place an order until we figured out how sizing worked. Scott pulled up a table showing the price breakdown with quantity and styles. He said the three styles were Vuelta, Tango and Vibe. He confirmed there is \$1,500.00 for project. Bruce talked about sizing and the input from the Bike Bunch riders. Scott pulled up Jakroo design. He showed where sizing information was on the website – “fit and sizing” tab. Scott suggested they use this for guidance. Scott showed the PBAC the three style options.

Kelli said she thought the options were good. Steve and Bruce agreed that the choices were good. Scott asked that committee members send style and size. He will then place the order.

Kelli asked what turnaround time was. Scott said he would check.

### **7:32 p.m. – On-Line Bicycle Map**

Scott gave an overview of the on-line bike map project. He explained that this is a companion to the recently completed physical copy of the map. He said it is a draft and a work in progress. Draft may be glitchy. He pulled up the draft map on the computer and went over some of the features. Scott went over the tabs – featured rides, planning your ride, bike map. Scott explained that features such as fixit stations are being added. Bike shops and transit centers will also be on the map.

Scott showed the link to neighboring jurisdictions – Portland and Tigard, for example. Scott showed legends for these two jurisdictions.

Scott pulled up the featured rides section, which includes a route description, photos, video, among other things. The two featured rides uploaded thus far are LoLo Pass and Timberline Climb. He went over the featured rides section of the platform. He explained that additional

rides will be added in the future. Scott said he hopes to have the bike map live in the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2024, although it may be later than that.

Bruce asked if rides could be downloaded. Scott said that the vision is to allow the user to download rides. Also, it will be mobile compatible and linked to Ride with GIS. Scott said it will be a “fluid” bike map that can be continuously updated and added to.

Kelli asked if there would be a beta version. Scott said he would investigate that.

### **7:46 p.m. – Safeway Bike Parking**

Scott asked that the Walk Bike Plan agenda item be bumped. The maps that show priority projects are not ready for public input. He explained there is an ongoing bike parking issue at the Webster Road Safeway and asked that topic replace the Walk Bike Plan.

Scott explained there has been public comment on the lack of bike parking at Safeway. Community members have complained that the bike parking that was previously at the Safeway is no longer there. Steve had contacted Scott about the issue.

Bruce asked if this would be considered a code violation. Scott said he has been researching the issue and that under the development permit they would have had to install the bike parking. Bruce suggested a complaint to the Code Enforcement Officer. Scott explained that could be done or perhaps a committee letter to Safeway.

Steve said he talked to a Safeway staff person last week. He indicated that lack of bike parking would be a violation of land use permit. Steve suggested giving them a chance to resolve without going to code enforcement. Scott mentioned that code enforcement has a backlog and may place this item as low priority and not enforce it.

Dave asked who owned the property and that it could be the property owner who is responsible. Safeway may not be responsible if they aren't the landowner. Dick said that he thought Safeway rented and was not property owner.

There was discussion around land use approval process and the laws surrounding zoning. Joseph talked about legal no-conforming uses and the issue of when the zoning code standards required bike parking. Hilltop Properties, Inc is the property owner. Joseph suggested that compliance is often accomplished through voluntary compliance – “reach out to Safeway”. Joseph talked about the fact that there are only 3 code enforcement officers for the entire county and that this may not get enforced.

Scott said he has left messages for the manager about the issue. Steve offered to talk to the manager when he returns from Ohio. The committee agreed that would be a good approach.

### **7:55 p.m. – Open Discussion**

Scott said the next meeting would be trivia. He also said committee members are welcome to bring travel pictures of pedestrian and/or bicycle infrastructure to share.

### **8:00 p.m. – Adjourn**