

# CLACKAMAS COUNTY

# **Pedestrian & Bikeway Advisory Committee**

# **Meeting Minutes** Tuesday, October 4, 2022

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

# 6:30 p.m. – Welcome

Bruce Parker, Kelli Grover, Dale Guenther, Dave Weber, Kenath Sponsel, Joseph Edge, Del Scharffenberg

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

Representatives: Tonia Williamson – North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District (NCPRD), Nicole Perry – Safe Routes to School, Sarah Iannarone – Street Trust

# 6:30 p.m. – McLoughlin Blvd Investments Strategy Plan

Scott gave a presentation on the McLoughlin Blvd project that ODOT is leading looking into pedestrian, bicycle and transit improvements along the corridor. He showed a timeline of the project schedule, which will run through June 2023, and a rundown of the project team.

Tonia asked where the project starts, and Scott said right at the Milwaukie City Limits to the north and the Clackamas River Bridge to the south. Bruce asked why the bridge wasn't included in the project, and Scott said it's mostly a roadway project, focusing on the land. Tonia asked if Scott could send what the project does include, and what it doesn't include (such as crosswalks and sidewalks). Scott said he could and added that the project just includes the right of way along 99E.

## 6:45 p.m. – Public Comment

Tonia lives in Damascus and said her neighbors have submitted something to the County asking about 232<sup>nd</sup> Ave and all the crashes along that road near the Elementary School. She mentioned that her neighbors indicated that if a certain amount of comments happen along a specific roadway, it will lift that segment to a higher priority for a safety audit. Scott said he wasn't sure about that, but he'll look into it.

#### 6:50 p.m. – Approval of September Minutes

Bruce had three edits that he provided to the Committee and Brett for changes, Dave made a motion to approve with the changes Bruce provided, Joseph seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## 6:50 p.m. – Hot Spots

Scott let the Committee know that the initial list the group has developed for Hot Spots has been addressed, and asked the group if they have any new locations to consider. Del asked if the

McLoughlin/17<sup>th</sup> Ave intersection has been addressed, and Scott said the idea is to add paint on the ground saying something like 'Bikes Slow.' The group then discussed jurisdiction of the area surrounding the intersection, between ODOT and Milwaukie.

Bruce told the Committee if they come up with any more Hot Spots in the coming weeks to send them to Scott or Bruce.

#### <u>7:00 p.m. – Street Trust</u>

Sarah gave the Committee a presentation on what the Street Trust is working on and how it will impact Clackamas County and the surrounding region. The organization looks into large transportation issues and how they affect active transportation and vulnerable road users. Their strategy is to build community partnerships to meet communities where they're at through listening sessions. The goal is to learn transportation barriers and introduce real solutions. They also coordinate with policymakers to help educate through rides, best practices trips and Candidate Transportation School. She then dove into the Policy Goals.

Joseph said he's fond of the transportation school concept for candidates, as his experience has been a bit more challenging engaging with elected officials regarding the topic. He asked if Sarah was involved in the transportation planning rules and Sarah said they were pretty much in place when she started at the Street Trust, but she understands the huge effort there is in implementation. Joseph asked if he could talk with Sarah offline as Milwaukie is beginning their Transportation System Plan (TSP) where the rulemaking will be in place. Kenath asked how to win over hearts and minds to get vehicles to slow down, and Sarah said this is a big part of the Transportation School as candidates don't know how to answer similar questions. She said utilizing data is a huge part, showing businesses that other modes of travel (bike, bus) encourages people to potentially shop more, as a person who drives to the store one day a week won't spend as much as a biker who gets a few things three times a week. She added that it's a process, because you won't win everyone over at once. Bruce said that a friend was killed as a cyclist by a truck and there wasn't much of an investigation, as they just took the drivers account and that was it. Sarah said policing is hard, and expanding the transportation school could be a potential improvement.

# 7:45 p.m. – Bike/Walk Clackamas Plan

Scott gave an overview of the recently started Walk/Bike Clackamas Plan. He detailed the Advisory Committee formation and where people can find more information on the project, as well as the four meetings throughout the project. He said there will be updates on the plan at many upcoming PBAC meetings in order to keep the group informed.

Joseph asked when will be the time to provide project ideas and feedback. Scott said as the project moves along he'll provide information at project milestones. Joseph said he wants to provide input early and not just at milestones, and is disappointed that no PBAC member made it on the committee, and Bruce agreed since this group has more expertise than most other citizens. Scott and Brett agreed, and a discussion was had to add a PBAC member.

Del made a motion to nominate Joseph as primary and Bruce as alternate to the WBAC, Kenath seconded and the motion passed unanimously. There will be a standing agenda item moving forward to update the Committee.

## 8:15 p.m. – Bike/Walk Clackamas Plan

Scott congratulated Del for becoming a member of the Oregon Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (OBPAC).

Scott said the County is potentially applying for a grant to look at signalized locations where right turning movement and pedestrian walk create a conflict zone.

# 8:20 p.m. – Adjourn

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