

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR FEBRUARY 17, 2015

RESIDENT	COMMENT	RESPONSE
Sherry Whitmore 19428 Westling Drive	Her property faces Central Point Road. She would love for the speed to be reduced. She can hear people speed up when they see the 45mph sign.	Staff will investigate speed posting inconsistencies along Central Point Road.
Tom O'Brien 19364 Hazel Grove Drive	Current NA Chair. Provided a presentation on various street sign options. Likes the models Canby and Gladstone have for addressing speeding. Gladstone relies on heavy enforcement while Canby relies on educating their citizens. He noted in 2013 the City Commission approved the \$195K elevator project and how much could be done with the same amount of money spent on speeding concerns. Trees are blocking many street signs.	The City has a Road Audit for Maintainability and Safety (RAMS) program that inventories, assesses and maintains City assets including street signs within the city limits. During the assessments signs that do not meet the federal/state requirements are replaced and missing or deficient signs are installed. The City currently does not utilize "call out toppers" as presented but can consider them on a case by case basis. Regarding the elevator, the funds reference were used to repaint and maintain a City owned asset. The cost of the art projection project was funded by an NEA grant and not funded through City funds.
Emma Edwards 1115 5 th Street	Over the last 9 ½ years traffic has increased in her neighborhood. She and her neighbors have had their fences and/or cars hit by drivers losing control of their speeding vehicles. She thinks the speed limit should be reduced to 25mph near 5 th and Jackson St.	Linn Avenue is classified as a minor arterial road within the City's Transportation Plan but lacks many of the amenities that would be expected of an arterial road. The Linn Avenue Corridor attempts to address these deficiencies and outline improvements that will both increase the safety of the corridor for motorist, pedestrian, cyclist and the adjacent properties. In terms of the existing posted speed, staff will investigate the posted speed and determine if adjustments are warranted.
Chris Hofren 6418 SE Reedway St, Portland, OR 97206 Works at 607 Main St	Works in the Meyers Building and is concerned about the 7 th and Main St intersection where drivers try to turn right to go onto the bridge. There is not enough visibility to make this turn. People try to sneak around the corner and others have to brake heavily for them.	The construction dumpster that was referenced at the meeting applied for and was granted a ROW use permit for the renovations at the adjacent property. The permit limits the applicant to utilizing dumpsters of a certain size and placement thereof, in order to minimize the site obstruction. The ones that have been on site comparatively are no larger than a large SUV in terms of surface area that could obstruct site lines.

<p>Louisa Gonyou 101 Center Street</p>	<p>Speeding concerns. Thinks the neighborhoods need more enforcement, different signage, and more calming devices. Too much noise produced from speeding, as well.</p>	<p>Mrs. Gonyou was asked by the TAC members to provide a list of the calming devices she researched. Her speeding concerns will be addressed in the Citywide Slow Down Campaign.</p>
<p>Paul Edgar 211 5th Street</p>	<p>Thanked TAC for doing a walkthrough of Canemah neighborhood. He believes a walkthrough should be done of every neighborhood with the cooperation of each NA.</p>	<p>Our RAMS program has staff tasked with caretaking their respective assigned areas and proactively addressing measurable deficiencies. Items brought before the TAC, will be investigated and addressed on the merits of the concern that is presented but based on staff constraints, workload and logistical coordination, staff cannot commit to walking every neighborhood.</p>
<p>Doug Neeley 11614 Parrish Road</p>	<p>Believes Parrish Road to Partlow Road on Central Point should all be one speed – 35mph. In addition, he wanted to point out that Molalla Ave decreases in speed in 5mph increments as you go down the hill while Linn Ave does not. Thinks the speeds on Linn Ave should be treated the same as Molalla Ave.</p>	<p>Staff will investigate speed posting inconsistencies along Central Point Road. In terms of the existing posted speed, staff will investigate the posted speed and determine if adjustments are warranted.</p>
<p>Andy Holthouse 19341 Hazel Grove Drive</p>	<p>He would like to see the speed on Central Point be decreased to 35mph. He has had many close calls while turning onto Central Point from Partlow Road. He thinks more enforcement is needed on South End Road as it heads down to 2nd, as well. Nobody obeys the 30mph speed sign as they go around the curves.</p>	<p>The OCPD agreed to send the traffic officer to South End Road for enforcement, and these concerns will be further addressed in the Citywide Slow Down Campaign.</p>
<p>Amy Willhite</p>	<p>Gaffney Lane NA Chair. Has a parking concern on Garden Meadows. The street is narrow and people try to park on both sides making it difficult to navigate. She is asking for parking on only one side of the street (side opposite the pre-school) and yellow stripes painted on the corners of the street to help with visibility onto Molalla Ave.</p>	<p>Staff is working with the adjacent properties to address this concern.</p>
<p>Norman Edwards 1115 5th Street</p>	<p>More people are driving up 5th and Molalla Ave and avoiding 213. He proposed widening 213 and allowing more accessible turnoffs into the City to eliminate so much traffic up 5th and Molalla.</p>	<p>213 is a state highway under the jurisdiction of the ODOT. The comment will be forwarded to ODOT for consideration.</p>

<p>Frances Anton 123 High Street</p>	<p>She wants to support everything that has already been said by other residents. She believes the speeding on Center Street is due to the fact there are so few stop signs and people use it to cut through. A lot of the street signs are dirty and covered in algae. Perhaps volunteers can clean them.</p>	<p>Staff do conduct some sign cleaning throughout the year but the large majority of the City's sign cleaning occurs during the summer months when seasonal staff are brought aboard to assist with workload. Staff have begun cleaning some based on need and will do so more aggressively when the first seasonal crew members begin working in April. The speeding concerns will be addressed by the Citywide Slow Down Campaign.</p>
<p>Michael Simon 1005 5th Street</p>	<p>Takes interest in streets that have speed increases such as Linn Ave. He feels people are often times unclear on the process for increasing speeds and he has done plenty of research on the topic. The state is requested to come in and do a study. A request is what spurred the increase on Linn Ave. People need to be recognized behind these increases and not just traffic flow issues. He would like to present on his research at a future date.</p>	
<p>Moreen Johnston 1105 5th Street</p>	<p>Her concern is with the Corridor Concept Plan. She feels like 5th/Linn Ave is being set up as a main roadway from the bottom of Oregon City to the top. Traffic on this stretch of road increases year after year and speeding is a huge concern. She wants the City to remember 5th Street and Linn Avenue are residential neighborhoods when it comes to the planning of this development Concept Plan.</p>	<p>Linn Avenue is classified as a minor arterial road within the City's Transportation Plan but lacks many of the amenities that would be expected of an arterial road. The Linn Avenue Corridor attempts to address these deficiencies and outline improvements that will both increase the safety of the corridor for motorist, pedestrian, cyclist and the adjacent properties. In terms of the existing posted speed, staff will investigate the posted speed and determine if adjustments are warranted.</p>
<p>Tom O'Brien 19364 Hazel Grove Drive (Parks Master Plan comment)</p>	<p>He wants to see speed controlled and/or reduced on Central Point Road when the Filbert Run Park site is built. A crosswalk is needed for pedestrians crossing to the park from the new development being built, as well.</p>	<p>Staff will investigate speed posting inconsistencies along Central Point Road. In terms of the existing crosswalk, staff will investigate and determine if warrants are met for an additional crosswalk.</p>