

Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes

September 18, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting of **Tuesday, September 18, 2018**, was called to order by Chair La Salle at 6:01 PM in the Commission Chambers at Oregon City Hall, 625 Center Street, Oregon City, Oregon.

Committee members present included Chair Bob La Salle, Vice-Chair Henry Mackenroth, Mike Mitchell, Jonathan Anderson, Edward Lyman, Cedomir Jesic and Vance Tong. Jonathan David was excused.

Staff members present included John Lewis, Public Works Director, Martin Montalvo, Operations Manager, and Lisa Oreskovich, Executive Assistant, and Kim Davis, Senior Administrative Assistant.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. La Salle **moved to approve** the minutes of **June 19, 2018** and it carried by the following vote: Aye: Mackenroth, Mitchell, Lyman, Anderson, Jesic, and Tong.

3. AGENDA ANALYSIS

No new business items to add.

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen comment was provided.

5. NEW BUSINESS/DISCUSSION ITEM

a. Veterans Transportation Service Discussion

Cornelius Booker provided discussion on the VA Hospital's Veterans Transportation Service (VTS).

Major points were as follows:

- Provide transportation for veterans to arrive at appointments in a timely manner.
- President has initiated the Choice Program that allows for patients to go out to civilian clinic if they cannot get in within 30 days.
- Working with Clackamas County on their ride share program.
- They have an automated program that calls the veteran to let them know

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when they will be picked up and then when they are returned home.

- The vet can go along and request transfer/transportation.
- About 50 veterans in Oregon City and currently reside in care facilities.

John Lewis provided an update on House Bill 2017 funding that many transportation services are utilizing and on the last mile shuttle service which would use long-term funding and partnering with Clackamas County to develop this service. The amount of the grant is just under \$800k for three years. The City had to contribute/match about \$30K. This would help serve the areas around the City that Tri-Met no longer services such as South End Road.

Mr. Mackenroth mentioned Willamette Valley Transit District.

b. Municipal Elevator Tourism Plan by Lori Bell

Lori Bell, Economic Development Coordinator presented on the new tourism plan for the Municipal Elevator. Major points were as follows:

- Friday 9/21 the Field Guide for the "Linger Longer" program will begin being handed out to tourists.
- Has its own social media handle.
- Making it a point to not promote one local business over another.
- The Field Guide includes ideas of things to do in the city and tasks to complete to win a prize.
- Makes a point to tell people to park up top and take the elevator down.
- There has been open communication regarding the Elevator Tourism Plan with surrounding neighborhood associations and citizens.
- Program was funded by a grant that DOCA received from Travel Oregon and the City matched it

Mr. Anderson pointed out the need for some kind of parking structure, or system to help with parking issues. Mr. Lewis pointed out the City Hall parking lot is available for short term parking.

c. Introduction of Kim Davis

Mr. Lewis introduced Kim Davis as the new Senior Administrative Assistant.

d. Discussion of October 16th TAC Meeting

Mr. Lewis, Mr. Montalvo and Mr. Jesic will be absent.

e. Safe Routes to School Discussion

Mr. Lewis provided a brief update on Safe Routes to School and working with Gardiner Middle School. We are pursuing another grant for Safe Routes to School, beyond what we are doing with Gardiner Middle School. Applications are due

October 15th for this additional grant. We expect to have some word on whether or not our project will be approved by Feb. 2019.

f. National Night Out Discussion

Bob and Henry were both present at NNO. Mr. Lewis brings up whether or not there is need for TAC to continue participating in NNO, due to the fact it was obvious this year we didn't really have a message to convey. Mr. Mackenroth, Mr. Tong, and Mr. Jesic all expressed the need for a Public Works presence and TAC presence. It was determined a sub-committee would be formed to discuss further participation with NNO. Mr. Mackenroth and Mr. Lyman volunteered to be a part of the sub-committee.

g. Public Works Report

i. High Street Construction

Mr. Lewis gave an update on the High Street construction. Water line work and trench line excavation has been completed. S-2 Contractors will be the next contractors moving in who will be completing the pavement, providing some storm work, and will be building all of the ADA ramps along that section. Roadway reconstruction will begin Sept 24^{th} at the intersection of 3^{rd} St. and move south from there.

ii. Site Distance Issue on Ganong St and 3rd Ave

A motion was made by Mr. Mackenroth, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to concur with Public Works' assessment that the site distance is not impacted at the site triangle at the southeast corner of 3rd Ave and Ganong St., and it carried by the following vote: Aye: Mitchell, Lyman, Jesic, La Salle, and Tong.

iii. Central Point Road Speed Study Update

Mr. Lewis said the City is still awaiting the results of the Central Point Road Speed Study results from the State of Oregon. It could be six to nine months yet.

Mr. Mackenroth asked that this information be put on the website.

iv. Molalla Ave Phase 3

Mr. Lewis said we have signed and executed an agreement with Metro for the exchange of funds for the grant project. Metro will reimburse the City as we spend the money. This will be one of the bigger projects we have had in the last couple of years.

Mr. Tong asked about where we came out on moving the utilities underground. Mr. Lewis explained the City would probably have to build much of the infrastructure for the utilities to go underground and that is a

big expense.

Mr. Anderson asked what is the main transportation improvements to come out of this project. Mr. Lewis responded there are many improvements to be made, but the main reason for this grant is to improve bike, pedestrian, and transit safety.

Mr. Jesic asked if there will be ADA improvements. Mr. Lewis said we will basically be reconstructing the streets, which will include ADA improvements.

v. Alternative Mobility Targets

Mr. Lewis talks about the free flowing acceleration lane going from Beavercreek Rd. onto HWY 213. ODOT will be taking a presentation of our study and their own findings to the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC). This will be happening in October and November.

vi. Vehicle Registration Fee

Mr. Lewis showed some slides on other counties that have implemented a vehicle registration fee. County Board is ready to go towards a vehicle registration fee in the amount of \$30.00 per vehicle, per year. The money from these funds could help fund projects that aren't fully covered by SDC's.

6. **COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Mitchell asked about an update on the Meyers Road Extension project and raising the power lines.

Mr. Lewis responded that they will be moving and raising the towers, but the discussion is on how many. There is land under the power lines that is targeted for employment. In the middle of negotiating ROW acquisition.

Mr. La Salle noted that Bob Mahoney resigned from the TAC. Please notify Jonathan David that his term is up the end of the year.

Lisa Oreskovich to contact Kattie Riggs to resend the automatic renewal application to Henry Mackenroth. Update the website with the newest Bylaw revisions.

Mr. La Salle asked to review the TSP as mentioned in the TAC Bylaws.

Mr. Lewis asked that Lisa Oreskovich look at the TSP items to see what to bring back for review of the TAC.

Mr. Anderson said that at the Park Place Neighborhood Association meeting last night, they discussed the Hiram and Cleveland project and the waterline issue there.

Mr. Montalvo said that the developer would make all of the necessary, required improvements as part of that project.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No Future Agenda items.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Oreskovich Administrative Assistant