

## Transportation Advisory Board Meeting Notes

Wednesday, January 22, 2014

**Members Present:** Riad Alharithi, Joyce Jackson, David Kleinke, Jay McCoy, Kimberly Steele, Jim Milne

**Members Absent:** Councilor Mike Jones

**Staff Present:** Lance Calvert

**Guests Present:** John Charles (Cascade Policy Institute)

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### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm

### 2. Approve August 2013 Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Dave Kleinke to approve with modification of adding attendance list  
Seconded by Jim Milne at 6:05pm

### 3. Business

#### a. 2014 election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Joyce Jackson elected Chair  
David Kleinke elected Vice-Chair  
Unanimously approved

#### b. Annual Report Discussion

Typically this is something that Chair will handle, online questionnaire regarding past goals, reports, and highlights of what was accomplished. Kirsten uses this information to give to the Council. The official report/questionnaire wasn't completed but city management should have the information that is needed.

#### c. Review of Safe Routes to Schools

Discussed "low hanging fruit" with regards to Safe Routes to Schools. Sunset Primary has a main road connecting via Sussex St and there is need for approximately 5 blocks of sidewalks to connect to school frontage. There could be possible right of way issues so it needs to be determined if Sussex will indeed be best street to identify for Safe Routes. Cedaroak Primary has sidewalks along the school frontage but connecting streets are very narrow with little room for sidewalk additions. This area may better benefit from education and some sort of parent led walking program. Trillium Creek Primary has narrow roads as well with an approximate width of 18ft. As with other school areas the solution may not be physical structures like sidewalks and may be addressed with special road markings/stripping. Additionally older established neighborhoods weren't necessarily designed for sidewalks so making those changes structurally could be difficult. Members who reviewed traffic around the primary schools noted that the majority of streets surrounding the schools are narrow and traffic tends to be slow in speed. School routes around Willamette Primary

have narrow streets and 5<sup>th</sup> street has a single, narrow sidewalk. There seems to be missing crossing signs and marked crosswalks in the area around the school. However, these issues should be addressed with the building of the new Police station, and the addition of a four-way stop on Willamette Falls Drive. Due to the historic integrity of the area adding sidewalks could be difficult.

**Special Guest: John Charles from Cascade Policy Institute**

John attended the meeting and provided information and reports with regards to smaller cities opting out of the Tri-Met district and establishing local transit instead. This issue has been discussed in the past. Currently, Molalla, Canby, Wilsonville, Sandy and Boring have successful local transit service rather than Tri-Met. The board would like to continue this discussion and review past data and reports related to the matter. The board could possibly combine the recommendation of opting out of the Tri-Met district with the updated TSP.

**4. Staff Update**

Kirsten is leading multiple communications campaigns to promote projects funded by street fees and other fees via the City Services Bill so citizens know where their money is going. Carol Yates is no longer part of TAB as she relocated outside of the city and didn't renew her term. If anyone is interested in serving on the board they can apply through the Administration office. Zach Pelz is coordinating with ODOT for traffic counts needed for TSP update but a consultant has not yet been selected. Designs have been started by the Engineering Dept. for the 2014 Road Program.

**5. Board Discussion/Announcements**

Next meeting review Council Goals if available and previous TAB transit discussions.

**6. Adjournment**

Adjourned at 7:40pm