



Transportation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 23, 2009

Members Present: Chairperson David Newell; Vice-Chairperson, Tim B. Collins;

Riad Alharithi; Joyce Jackson; David Rittenhouse

Members Absent: Eric Gakstatter; Eric Underwood

Guests: Cynthia Thompson, Wilsonville SMART Director

Carol Yates, Resident

Staff: Dennis Wright, Engineering Manager; Zach Pelz, Planner

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairperson Newell called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.

2. Approve August minutes

Alharithi made a motion to accept the August minutes with correction to item one, Rittenhouse seconded, motion passed unanimously.

3. Hwy. 43 Transit Shelter Project information from Chris Kerr and Zach Pelz

Zach provided "Transit Shelters: More Options: 2-shelters v. 3-shelters" memo to the board. He reviewed three options developed by the Planning Department for bus shelters on Willamette Dr. The Council had directed staff to develop a plan for three shelters. Goals used in comparison criteria come from goals the City has identified in the Transportation System Plan, Comprehensive Plan, and others. Zach asked for the board's preference of an option to pursue, and for recommendations refining that option.

Members generally favored three shelters with fewer amenities and aesthetics, rather than two shelters with more amenities and aesthetics.

Rittenhouse made a motion that the bus shelter at Cedar Oak is high priority and staff should pursue right-of-way for a shelter at that location. Alharithi seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Members generally agreed that the Planning Department should pursue discussion with the developer regarding a shelter near the Library and Bolton Community Center.

4. Presentation by Cynthia Thompson from Wilsonville SMART Transit System

Cynthia described the beginnings of SMART and evolution to today's SMART. She discussed SMART projections for ridership, funding options, and innovation for the future. Discussion followed of various funding, route and partnership ideas. Cynthia described some obstacles SMART and other transit providers encountered and some innovative transit ideas.

5. Old Business - Dennis covered street issues from the August meeting:

- Sam Foxworthy has arranged for striping on Hidden Springs and Santa Anita where room exists for bike lanes.
- Parking on 8th Avenue procedures for eliminating parking. Dennis Wright will try to have information from Sam Foxworthy for the October meeting.
- Study for traffic lights at 12th and Willamette. Preliminary results show it will not warrant lights for about 10 years. The Consultant will add to the study, looking at changing 8th Ave. to a one-way from 10th St. to 12th St., directing Willamette Market place traffic through the 12th St. traffic light onto Willamette Falls Dr. Dennis will present the information when the study is done.

6. New Business

Jackson provided a handout from the International Society on Arboriculture, on methods to reduce sidewalk damage from tree roots, for members to review.

Rittenhouse announced TAB members are invited to the League of West Linn Neighborhoods meeting. They will discuss transportation issues at the monthly meeting on Saturday, 10am, at PacWest Bank at the Willamette Market Place.

7. October tentative agenda items

- Presentation by Engineering staff, Boris Piatski and Shaun Rohret, on Rain Gardens
- Information from Mike Perkins on Street Trees
- Staff update on city snow operations plan

8. Adjournment

Alharithi motioned to adjourn, Rittenhouse seconded, the motion passed unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.