



# CITY OF OREGON CITY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

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Monday, October 11, 2021 at 7:00 PM

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## CALL TO ORDER

*Chair Schlagenhauer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.*

**Present:** 4 - Chair Dirk Schlagenhauer, Commissioner Mike Mitchell, Commissioner Daphne Wuest, and Commissioner Christopher Staggs

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Patti Gage and Commissioner Gregory Stoll

**Staffers:** 3 - Community Development Director Laura Terway, Planner Kelly Reid, and Assistant City Engineer Josh Wheeler

## PUBLIC COMMENT

*None*

## PUBLIC HEARING

1. LEG-21-00003: Adoption of Park Place Urbanization Study, an amendment to the Transportation System Plan

*Chair Schlagenhauer opened the public hearing and read the hearing statement. He asked if any Commissioner had potential conflicts of interest. There were none.*

*Kelly Reid, Planner, said this was a continuance from the last hearing. She briefly reminded the Commission of the purpose of the plan and changes to the plan since the last meeting.*

*Josh Wheeler, Assistant City Engineer, gave more details on the changes that were made and how they responded to the public comments that were received.*

*The Commission reviewed the issues matrix.*

*Commissioner Mitchell pointed out a revision to the chart on page 26.*

*There was clarification about sidewalks proposed on both sides of the street, locations of the flashing beacons, classification of streets, triggers for paying for improvements, and implementing HB 2001.*

*Commissioner Mitchell was still concerned about too much space dedicated to parking and not enough dedicated to bike lanes.*

*Chair Schlagenhauser thought any road with a sharrow should not be over 25 mph.*

*Linda Smith, resident of Oregon City, did not think the surveys from people living outside of this area should be included in the survey results. She requested a safety study be done on Holcomb Boulevard immediately. She still did not understand the changes to the linear feet.*

*Geneva Butterfield was speaking on behalf of her mom who was an Oregon City resident. She wondered why the Oregon City View Manor development had not put in sidewalks yet. She requested Cleveland Street be changed to Priority 2 for sidewalks. She agreed with Ms. Smith's comments about the surveys. She did not think the current residents in Park Place should pay for the sidewalks.*

*Mr. Wheeler said the View Manor development was done many years ago under different criteria. If redeveloped, they would have to comply with today's code. Regarding the priority of streets, they were trying to get the biggest bang for the buck and if the funding became available, the City would work with property owners. Property owners were not expected to do the improvements unless they chose to develop the property. He explained people who owned property but did not live in the area also received postcards. He knew Holcomb was a concern and there were alternate routes planned in the future for emergency evacuation. The City Commission planned to look at the prioritization of the Transportation System Plan projects for possible re-prioritization.*

*Chair Schlagenhauser closed the public hearing.*

*Commissioner Mitchell was not in favor of the application due to the absence of dedicated bike lanes.*

*Commissioner Wuest was in favor of moving forward with the application with the revised changes.*

*Commissioner Staggs shared the interest in more pedestrian/bicycle friendly streets, but thought they should recommend approval with comments that the Planning Commission would like to see more pedestrian/bicycle friendly neighborhoods.*

*Chair Schlagenhauser agreed to recommend approval with the Commission's concerns.*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Staggs, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, to recommend the City Commission approve LEG-21-00003: Adoption of Park Place Urbanization Study, an amendment to the Transportation System Plan with the added conditions for more bike lanes in general in the neighborhood and to give more weight to traffic calming measures in the neighborhood. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Dirk Schlagenhauser, Commissioner Christopher Staggs, Commissioner Mike Mitchell, and Commissioner Daphne Wuest

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

*Laura Terway, Community Development Director, said they were recruiting for a Planning Manager. She gave an update on the OC2040 project. She then discussed the upcoming meeting schedule.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Chair Schlagenhauser adjourned the meeting at 8:35 PM.*