



CITY OF OREGON CITY

PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes

Commission Chambers, Libke Public Safety Building, 1234 Linn Ave, Oregon City
Monday, September 25, 2023 at 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

Present: 6 – Chair Greg Stoll, Commissioner Dirk Schlagenhauer, Commissioner Paul Espe, Commissioner Karla Laws, Commissioner Bob LaSalle, Commissioner Daphne Wuest (Virtual)

Absent: 1 – Commissioner Chris Staggs

Staffers: 3 – Community Development Director Aquilla Hurd-Ravich, Senior Planner Christina Robertson-Gardner; City Engineer Dayna Webb

PUBLIC COMMENT

PRESENTATION

1. Willamette Falls Path/OR 99E Enhancement: 10th Street to Railroad Avenue Project (CI 22-002) Overview

Presentation was given by City Engineer Dayna Webb and Senior Planner Christina Robertson-Gardner. They are in the process of presenting the update to the various boards and commissions explaining the process that will be taking place over the next year in order to present a conceptual plan and apply for additional grant funds.

The project has two main goals that address barriers to investing and revitalizing properties that front McLoughlin Boulevard in Oregon City:

- Close the gap and provide safe pedestrian and bicycle access.
- Provide a conceptual complete street design for McLoughlin Boulevard (both sides) from 10th Street to the 99E tunnel/Railroad Avenue.

The Presentation explained what has happened in the previous 2 phases and what Phase 3 encompasses. ODOT had originally planned on working on the viaduct system under 99E, but they have since said that is not in their plans which affects what is possible and not possible. ODOT is not interested in cantilevering a walk off of the existing structure but the City is still pursuing it to get an official decision from ODOT.

Opportunities for Community Participation and Feedback will begin soon. There is a

website page to get updated information: <https://www.orcity.org/1853/McLoughlin-Blvd-Enhancement-Plan-Phase-3>

Commissioners asked a few clarifying questions regarding the process and mentioned some items that they would like to see incorporated such as some artwork with nod to the history of the fisherman and “The Wall” and the 8th St dock, etc.

The highway is owned by ODOT, but the City received a grant to do a design on their highway. ODOT are the final determiner of the design. They have different design standards than the City would have. They have to accept the design but it is up to the City to build it and to maintain it.

PUBLIC HEARING

MEETING MINUTES

1. Planning Commission Minutes Approval for Oct 25, 2021; Jun 27, 2022; May 8, 2023; May 22, 2023; Sept 11, 2023.

A motion was made by Commissioner La Salle, seconded by Commissioner Laws to approve the meeting minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 6 - Chair Stoll, Commissioner Schlagenhauser, Commissioner Espe, Commissioner Laws, Commissioner LaSalle, Commissioner Wuest (Virtual)

COMMUNICATIONS

1. There will not be an October 9th meeting. There will be a public hearing for a legislative amendment to the Mixed Used Corridor proposed by an applicant, not by the City for October 23rd.
2. Regular updates about the Willamette Falls Path/OR 99E Enhancement project are scheduled over the next year. Currently listed for Nov, Dec, Mar, Jul and then holding times for adoption next Aug-Nov. The months listed are subject to adjustment depending on how the project proceeds.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Stoll adjourned the meeting at 7:46 PM.