



CITY OF OREGON CITY

CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (CIC)

MINUTES

Virtual Meeting
Monday, April 05, 2021 at 7:00 PM

This meeting will be held online via Zoom; please contact planning@orccity.org for the meeting link.

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: 9 - Steve VanHaverbeke, Bob LaSalle, Dorothy Dahlsrud, Denise Beasley, Dennis Anderson, John Kies, Karla Laws, Karin Morey, Robert Malchow

STAFFERS: 4 - Public Works Director John Lewis, Senior Planner Christina Robertson-Gardiner, Senior Planner Pete Walter, City Commissioner Denyse McGriff

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments related to items not on the agenda.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Annexation Code Amendments-Pete Walter

Pete Walter presented changes to the annex code in chapter 14.04 of the Oregon City Municipal Code. The reasons behind the changes are to address concerns about citizens' rights to vote on Oregon City annexations in accordance with the new senate bill, to add greater clarity and specificity to approval criteria, and to address City Commission concerns about the analysis and timing of infrastructure prior to development. The summary of changes is with wording, adding language for clarification, and providing more details where necessary. A tentative timeline for adoption of these changes is early June.

2. Public Works Update-John Lewis

John Lewis was given four specific items to address for his presentation: Ice storm 2021, transportation updates, other project updates, and utility fee updates.

Ice storm 2021

Work on cleaning up issues related to the ice storm has been heavy. Public Works created a project page where people could be informed with updated information. A slide was shown with the timeline of events from the start of snow and ice to show power failures and restorations and area closures where debris was heavy. Resources and information were given of the damage assessment and documentation that is being created because of the event, right-of-way cleanup, debris management, and emergency management.

Transportation

Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge: ODOT has started a study to look at the options for developing a pedestrian/bicycle bridge that goes over the Willamette River through a concept plan. There will be an online open house and public meeting soon, and the City Commission and West Linn City Council will vote in the summer on whether to adopt the plan. A video of the concept can be viewed on ODOT's website.

Molalla Avenue Streetscape Project: This project is still on track for budget and scheduling as planned. During the project construction, effort is being made to ensure access to businesses. A project status and timeline gave some details on items that are complete and what is next on the schedule with the completion deadline tracked to November.

Union Pacific 12th Street Bridge Rehabilitation: This project is underway with the road currently closed, and it will stay closed through the middle of June. A resolution is being taken to the City Commission that will allow some night work and round the clock work to get everything complete so trains can stay on schedule.

Other Transportation Projects

ODOT is still at the table for updates with projects such as the I-205 widening project and the I-205 tolling project. They will be presenting to the City Commission on April 21st. He discussed some local traffic control improvements with some speed limit changes, rapid flashing beacons, and pedestrian improvements. A 2021 Construction update was given, and this information can also be found in the Trail News.

Utility Fee Updates

Water Service: Water Service requires planning for current and future customers which takes a lot of engineering, planning, and financial commitment. A master plan has been adopted by the City Commission for rehabilitation, pipe replacement, and new capacity projects with a total cost of \$80,264,000 with 60% of that capital cost projected in the next 5 years. A discussion about water rates and what is needed to fund these improvements yielded a recommendations of a 4-5% increase over a period of 3-4 years.

Storm Water Service: A storm water master plan has been recently updated with the last update in 1988. There was work on a rate analysis, and Public Works will be talking to the Commission about rates and SDCs. There will be a public hearing about this on July 7th. Public Works will be bring a moderate cash fund option to the Commission.

MINUTES**3. March 1, 2021 Draft Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the minutes for March 1, 2021, seconded by John Kies. Motioned carried 9-0. Ayes: Karla Laws, Didi Dahlsrud, Linda Baysinger, Dennis Anderson, John Kies, Denise Beasley, Steve VanHaverbeke, Bob LaSalle, Karin Morey.

STAFF LIAISON UPDATES**4. Staff Liaison Report**

Christina gave a link to the Ice Storm Resources page that will provide additional information as needed. Val Muggia's contact information was provided as well. She is helping Oregon City police for behavioral health issues when it makes sense to call her out to help a citizen. Hillendale and Tower Vista Neighborhoods are now active. There is continuing effort to recruit people for active or recently activated neighborhoods. She encouraged neighborhood association members to sign up for the Trail Newsletter and gave a link.

GENERAL BUSINESS**5. Charter Change Support Letter-Bob La Salle**

Bob offered some corrections to the letter. There was discussion around who is the most appropriate authority to approve appointments. Christina will add corrections suggested and will forward it onto the person who will send it to the City Commission.

ROUNDTABLE*Barclay Hills – Karla Laws*

They had a meeting recently with a small group of attendees, and the 2040 survey was completed. Visitors attended from Hilldale and Tower Vista. A steering committee meeting will be held next week.

Canemah – Linda Baysinger & Dennis Anderson

They will try to have a meeting in April. The ice storm and wildfires have made having meetings difficult. Dennis gave an update on the ongoing issue related to the Cottage development.

Caulfield – John Kies

There was a meeting on March 23rd with a small turnout. Pete Walter came and talked about the 2040 survey. Carlos Calaba (sp) discussed the school projects at the meeting. A question was raised about individual neighborhood groups having their own Gmail addresses. John gave thanks for fixing the potholes at John Storm Park and for opening the bathrooms there.

McLoughlin – Denise Beasley

A meeting was held on March 18th and a couple of speakers came from Father's Heart Ministries to talk about the request for conditional use. They would like to make that a permanent use for overnight shelters in winter. That led to a discussion at the steering committee meeting. A goal-setting session was created at the steering meeting. There will be a cleanup at Barclay Park on June 5th from 9:00-11:00. There will be another cleanup at Waterboard Park on July 17th from 9:00-11:00. A third cleanup will happen on 7th Street on May 1st from 9:00-12:00.

Park Place – Steve VanHaverbeke

Park Place had a general meeting on March 15th. Much of the discussion was regarding Hiram which is a right of way through the middle of the park. This is was a hot topic. The latest in the Park Place Master Plan is that it was noted Hiram would be rerouted so it would not bisect the park. This master plan was dated 15 years ago. The next meeting will be a steering committee meeting on April 19th with a presentation from Icon regarding the Sears property development.

Rivercrest – Karin Morey

The neighborhood lost a lot of trees during the ice storm. She thanked an anonymous donor who fixed the roof of the library of the Oregon City Women's Club that had damage from a limb.

Commissioner McGriff

Commissioner McGriff brought up the right of way going through Hiram Park and mentioned that this should be reviewed. There will be a City Commission meeting tomorrow at 6:00 where Rachel Lyle Smith will be given the oath of office, and the election results will be certified. She gave an update the agenda for that meeting. She also welcomed thoughts and comments about the West Linn Bicycling/Pedestrian Concept Plan.

For more information on upcoming neighborhood association meetings and contacts please visit: <https://www.orcity.org/community/neighborhood-associations>

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:55 PM.