



February 18, 2020

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting of **Tuesday February 18, 2020**, was called to order by Committee member Bob La Salle at 6:02 PM in the Commission Chambers at Oregon City Hall, 625 Center Street, Oregon City, Oregon.

Committee members present included Ray Atkinson, Bob La Salle, Ben Simmons, Tim Wuest and Vance Tong. Henry Mackenroth and Cedomir Jesic were absent.

Staff members present included John Lewis, Public Works Director, Vance Walker, Assistant Public Works Director and Lisa Oreskovich, Executive Assistant to the City Manager.

2. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Mr. LaSalle moved to approve the minutes of January 21, 2020 and it carried unanimously by the following vote: Aye: Anderson, Atkinson, Simmons, La Salle, Tong and Wuest.

3. **AGENDA ANALYSIS**

Nothing added.

4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments made.

5. **NEW BUSINESS/DISCUSSION ITEM**

a. **Grants Update**

Major points in the PowerPoint were as follows:

- Mr. Lewis gave an update on the All Roads Transportation Safety (ARTS) grant which is safety focused and data driven.
- Corridor improvements with the ARTS grant include reflectors on the signals for better visibility at night as well as fiber connectivity.
- In 2018, the City adopted the alternate mobility targets for Hwy 213 and Beaver Creek Road recommended intersection improvements.
- Mr. Lewis discussed the Transportation System Management & Operations (TSMO) grant.

- Clackamas County is the lead applicant on the TSMO grant and was awarded an \$820,000 and Oregon City was a project partner to this grant.
- He mentioned the Regional Flexible Funds Allocation (RFFA) grant and this is the grant that helped fund the Molalla Avenue project and will help with the OR 99E Corridor Enhancement Project and Willamette Falls Shared Use Path.
- Mr. Wuest asked how to add sidewalk to the non-river side of 99E for this project and Mr. Lewis said that it is tight, but they will be making improvements to what is already there.
- Mr. Lewis discussed the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) grant and will be utilized in shuttle planning which is underway.
- The Oregon City First Mile/Last Mile Shuttle operations could begin as early as Fall 2020.
- Mr. Lewis discussed the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Infrastructure grant and what the City is looking at next for this grant, the funding has not been secured yet.
- Mr. Wuest asked when the future multi-use path on the SRTS map would be implemented.
- Mr. Lewis said it is a project in the TSP, but the City does not have it on any 5-year plan, but it is listed on the 20-year plan.

b. Downtown Oregon City Quiet Zone Update

Major points were as follows:

- Mr. Lewis provided a PowerPoint presentation on Quiet Zone updates.
- He discussed the two railroad crossings with suggested quiet zone improvements which are at 10th and 11th Streets.
- The Federal Rail Administration established the “train horn rule” stating that a horn must be sounded at all public rail crossings.
- Agencies are required to mitigate the increased risk caused by the absence of a horn when establishing a quiet zone.
- Wisser Rail Engineering provided the technical expertise for the conceptual design.
- A general consensus on the design was made with Wisser Rail Engineering.
- The probable costs of these improvements are \$2M.
- Mr. Lewis showed the 10th Street/Singer Hill Road conceptual design map and discussed the recommendation to raise the non-traversable median that currently exists today.
- The 11th Street pedestrian only crossing was shown and the upgrades that the Rail Administration requires such as fencing improvements and a new z-gate.
- Mr. Wuest asked if there would be lights and bells that would go off instead of the train horns and Mr. Lewis confirmed that was the concept to keep from the loud horns blasting and a lower volume bell.
- Mr. Simmons added that he sees this as a necessary step for those that own businesses or housing in Downtown.
- Mr. Lewis showed funding strategies that have been identified to pay for the

quiet zone such as grants, bonds, local improvement district, gas tax/vehicle registration fees, PMUF, and Public/Private Partnership, etc.

c. Public Works Report

Major points were as follows:

- Mr. Atkinson asked Mr. Lewis for an update on the Beaver Creek Rd Concept Plan bike lane and Mr. Lewis said Planning didn't have an update for this meeting, but were planning on bringing an update in March.
- Mr. Lewis discussed the PGE project that just started where they are building a 6-inch diameter gas line along Meyers Road. PGE reached out to the City when they realized they would have a supply problem. They revised their design and construction window so that they could complete their project by late June, so it does not interfere with the City's project. This will cause some traffic delays.
- Mr. Walker provided handouts on speed studies. The smaller printout is the Police Stealth radar data. The larger document is from the Public Works radar trailer. Mr. Walker read an update by Mr. Thornberg which describes the recorded data by the trailers. PW trailers only capture data as it travels towards the trailer, and the PD trailer collects data from both directions, but cannot determine which direction it is coming from. He discussed the discrepancies between the two. Mr. Simmons pointed out that the data collected by the PW trailer was uphill while the PD trailer collected both uphill and downhill. It was determined a letter of support had been written and provided to ODOT asking that the limit be lowered.
- Mr. Lewis updated on the Metro T2020 measure which is coming up in November. The McLoughlin Blvd corridor is one of the projects being considered to be invested in through this T2020 measure. www.OregonMetro.gov/transportation has more information on this measure and the values.
- Mr. Lewis gave an update on the I-5 and I-205 tolling update. In 2018, the feasibility analysis determined that it could help with congestion and raise revenue. Staff is participating in the two technical groups to share information and provide ideas regarding diversion/re-routing off the main road. These groups will meet over the next 18-24 months. More information can be found online. Mr. Atkinson said he's on the transit multi-modal working group. Mr. Lewis said if there is interest, he said for members to let him know and he will try to help get them onto the group.

6. COMMUNICATION

No communications were made.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Atkinson asked for a Comprehensive Plan update. Mr. Lewis said an update could be brought next month.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Davis
Administrative Assistant