

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH**  
**Transportation Advisory Board**

6:00 PM  
 August 26, 2019

**MINUTES**

Council Chambers  
 135 E. Sunset Way

**COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT**

*Board members:*

Cynthia Krass  
 Tom McDonald  
 Nina Milligan  
 Sujata Goel  
 Stephanie Salemann  
 Kobi Sunday, Youth Position

*Administration/Staff:*

Stephen Padua, Senior Transportation  
 Manager

*Unexcused Absence:*

Marisol Visser

Madeline Yeh, Alternate  
 Emma Gruby, Alternate

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Meeting minutes for June 24<sup>th</sup> and July 22 approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

David Keppler, a representative from the Issaquah Trails Club, commented on the draft modal guidelines, specifically the sidewalk policy. The group is concerned with the City's plans to install a sidewalk on the mountain side of the roadway adjacent to the Bergsma property, which will require removing trees and installing a retaining wall. The group recommends not installing the sidewalk and instead invest more into the trail on the other side of the roadway.

Connie Marsh added to the previous comment and shared her concern on the sidewalk proposal adjacent to the Bergsma property. In regards to the modal policies, she explained she doesn't understand what the problem is the City is trying to solve. She recommended the Board needs to get more information and the full story on the problem the City is trying to solve before moving forward on the policies because it doesn't make sense to her that we're going to require sidewalk on both sides of an arterial or collector in the whole City.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

*(I) Informational, (A) Action Needed, (D) Discussion*

a) **New Chairs Elections, (A)**

*Presented by:*

*Nina Milligan, Board Vice-Chair*

Due to the recent resignation of Chair AJ McGauley, the Board needed to hold a new Chairs election for Chair and Vice Chair. Nina Milligan was nominated for Chair and Cynthia Krass was nominated for Vice-Chair. Nina facilitated the voting procedures and Nina and Cynthia were elected as the new Chair and Vice Chair for the remaining term that ends May 2020.

**b) Draft Modal Policies, (D)**

*Presented by:*

*Kendra Breiland, Fehr & Peers Principal Planner*

*Kurt Seemann, Transportation Manager*

Kendra facilitated a discussion with the Board to review a revised presentation on the modal policies guiding the development of the Mobility Master Plan modal network. The development of the modal network is in conjunction with the development of prioritization criteria and performance metrics. The Board made the following recommendations in regards to the draft modal policies:

- City policies should prioritize investments in the Central Issaquah Growth Center,
- The City should do it's best to coordinate private and public investments,
- The City's end goal should be moving people and goods as efficiently as possible,
- In regards to safety, the Board request a more proactive approach to planning our system with 'vision zero' policies,
- The Board supports context based design that supports adjacent land uses to support system design,
- The Board supports the level of stress approach for the bicycling system,
- The Board wants better coordination with the school district as the City plans for a comprehensive transit network,
- The City needs to prioritize and address local circulation to for outer neighborhoods to the activity areas in Central Issaquah and Highlands.

**c) Performance Metrics, (D)**

*Presented by:*

*n/a*

The Board did not get to this agenda item due to time constraints. This item was tabled for the September 23 meeting.

**REPORTS****Staff Report**

- City staff asked the Board to sign their rules and regulations which were adopted by the Board earlier this year.

**Chair Report**

- The Chair updated the Board on the Ad-hoc Committee discussions and informed the Board of her absence at the September 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

**Youth Report**

- The Youth Board representation did not provide a report.

**OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next meeting is scheduled at 6:00 PM on Monday, September 23, 2019 in Council Chambers.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm.