

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
Transportation Advisory Board

6:00 PM
 October 21, 2021

Virtual Meeting

MINUTES

COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Alternate Meeting Format: On March 6, 2020 the Mayor declared a civil emergency due to the outbreak of novel coronavirus (COVID-19). On March 24, 2020 the Governor issued Proclamation 20-28 relating to the COVID-19 emergency and open public meetings. The proclamation has been extended. Due to these factors, the meeting was held using a remote meeting platform.

Board members:

Cynthia Krass, Chair
 Sujata Goel, Vice Chair
 Micah Zeitz-Chua
 Kristi Tripple
 Dave Waggoner
 Erika Boyd
 Janie Walzer
 Jeri Bernstein, Alternate
 Julian Mydlil, Alternate

*Youth/young adult seat.

Administration/Staff:

Isabel Diaz, Senior Transportation Engineer
 John Mortenson, Transportation Engineering
 Manager
 Jennifer Fink, Planner and Project
 Administrator (Parks Department)

Excused Absence:

Tom McDonald
 Joseph Zhang*

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Cynthia Krass requested amending the Chair Report section of the September 22, 2021 minutes to read: *“Cynthia reported that the City Mayor has formed a Capital Finance Community Task force with representation from all boards and commissions, including the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB), and that Cynthia will bring back updates to the TAB as appropriate.”*

The proposed amendment to the September 22, 2021 minutes were unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Connie Marsh provided public comments on Wayfinding Signs Program to include businesses on the destinations and to make sure funding is included for all phases of the project prior to its implementation. Connie also provided comments for Newport Way Maple to Sunset on flooding concerns, challenges for pedestrians to cross the street, and supported keeping mature vegetation and eliminating planter strips to include bicycle lanes.

Jon Fallstrom provided comments on Traffic Calming Guidelines and expressed concerns about the amount of traffic and speeding 7th Ave NW receives between NW Juniper St and NW Holly St. Jon noted

support from the neighborhood to install speed bumps along 7th Ave between Juniper St and Holly St, reducing the speed limit to 20 mph, and restricting turning movements at intersections with Juniper St and Holly St to deter cut-through traffic

Saira Kahn provided comments on safety concerns turning left from Dogwood onto Front St where there is currently a pedestrian crossing controlled by a signal across Front St and requested staff to evaluate the installation of a full traffic signal and pavement markings to deter vehicles from blocking the intersection during congestion.

David Kappler provided comments on Newport Way Maple to Sunset to consider bicycle connection to future extension of Mountains to Sound Greenway Trail through Maple St. David also suggested staff to separate bicycle from pedestrian facilities instead or providing a shared path along the project, considering how the increasing use of electric bikes would impact pedestrian safety.

REGULAR BUSINESS

a) **Park's Wayfinding Signs Program, (I)**

Presented by:

Jennifer Fink, Planner and Project Administrator

Jennifer presented an overview of the Wayfinding Signs Program and its scope. Jennifer also described the project design, public engagement process, and next steps.

b) **Newport Way Maple to Sunset, (I)**

Presented by:

John Mortenson, Transportation Engineering Manager

John presented an overview of the history of Newport Way Maple to Sunset project, including the design concept that was adopted in 2011 and how Parks Strategic Plan and Green Necklace, Central Issaquah Standards, and Mobility Master Plan led to the design alternatives for the project.

c) **Traffic Calming Guidelines, (D)**

Presented by:

Isabel Diaz, Senior Transportation Engineer

Isabel facilitated a discussion on Traffic Calming Guidelines update, which included a brief definition and examples of traffic calming devices, an overview of the current process for implementing traffic calming devices, and the proposed changes.

During the discussion, the Board was unanimously supportive of the proposed changes as presented.

REPORTS

a) **Board Work Plan**

Isabel provided a quick update on what's expected in the next few meeting; Metro Staff Update and Title 18 Development Standards.

b) **Staff Report**

Isabel reported that the City was selected for a grant to construct ADA curb ramps in Olde Town to connect Senior Center with City Hall and Community Centers and City Hall to open to the public with limited service on November 1st.

c) **Chair Report**

No Chair report was provided.

d) **Youth Report**

No Youth report was provided.

OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) The next meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on November 18, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.