

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
Transportation Advisory Board

6:00 PM
 October 25, 2023

Tibbetts Manor, 750 17th Ave.
 NW, Issaquah

MINUTES

COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Board members:

Cynthia Krass, Chair
 Julian Mydlil, Vice Chair
 Micah Zeitz-Chua
 Kristi Tripple
 Dave Waggoner
 Erika Boyd
 Tom McDonald
 Jeri Bernstein

Administration/Staff:

John Larson-Friend, Transportation Program
 Coordinator
 Thomas Valdriz, Senior Transportation
 Planner
 Emily Moon, Public Works Director (virtual)

Excused Absences:

Cynthia Krass
 Micah Zeitz-Chua
 Dave Waggoner

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:11pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of June 26, 2023
 There being no proposed changes, the Minutes of June 26, 2023 were approved by unanimous consent.
- b) Minutes of Sept 27, 2023
 There being no proposed changes, the Minutes of Sept 27, 2023 were approved by unanimous consent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were provided.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- a) **Transportation Element Periodic Update**
Presented by:
Thomas Valdriz, Senior Transportation Planner

Started at 6:14pm

Thomas Valdriz presented on the Transportation Element Periodic Update. Valdriz asked the TAB to consider the following:

- 1) Does the Board have any feedback on the proposed updates?
- 2) Do the proposed goals and policies address Issaquah's transportation needs?

- 3) Are there topics not being addressed in the proposed goals and policies for transportation?

During the Goal B slide discussion, members asked clarifying questions about why specific policies were being moved to the new Environmental Element. There was also a question about what metrics the changes would be measured against. There were clarifying questions about how the CTR program works and the relationship the city has with transit organizations. During the Goal C slide discussion, one member expressed that it is important for Issaquah to capture its intent for land use near transit.

During the Goal F slide discussion, member asked clarifying questions about definitions and how performance would be measured.

During the Goal G slide discussion, there were clarifying questions about how parking is and will be addressed in the land use code. Some members brought up policy examples in other cities.

Returning to the original three questions, the group felt that the changes were good overall. One member had concerns that Equity is not a specific section on its own.

REPORTS

a) **Board Work Plan**

Thomas Valdriz plans to come back in November to present Transit Study Performance Metrics. John Larson-Friend will be presenting on Traffic Calming as well.

b) **Staff Report**

Email from John Mortenson: ELSP/56th modifications are now done. We have now is “no right on Red” signs that come up with the trail crossing. Along with that, the south bound dedicated right turn lane now has a flashing yellow Right arrow that comes up when south bound green is up and there is NOT a PED call. When there is a PED call that dedicated signal display now goes RED along with the No right on red signs turning on.

Metro Flex launched on October 16th. The City hosted a launch event with City Council on October 23rd. The program seems to be going well.

c) **Chair Report**

No Chair Report

d) **Youth Report**

No Youth Report, but a new member will likely join us in November.

OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hany Maklad asked about the public comment outcomes from September.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 7:24pm.