

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
Transportation Advisory Board

6:00 PM
 March 27, 2024

MINUTES

Tibbetts Manor, 750 17th Ave.
 NW, Issaquah

COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Board members:

Cynthia Krass, Chair
 Julian Mydlil, Vice Chair
 Avi Mattikalli
 Dave Waggoner (virtual)
 Erika Boyd
 Tom McDonald
 Jeri Bernstein
 Hany Maklad

Administration/Staff:

John Larson-Friend, Transportation Program
 Coordinator
 John Mortenson, Senior Transportation
 Manager
 Greg Lucas, Senior Transportation Engineer

Excused Absence:

Micah Zeitz-Chua

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Chair Cynthia Krass

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of February 28, 2024
 There being no proposed changes, the Minutes of February 28, 2024 were approved by unanimous consent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- a) **TAB Work Plan Adoption (A)**
Presented by:
John Larson-Friend, Transportation Program Coordinator

There being no proposed changes, the 2024 TAB Work Plan was adopted by unanimous consent.

- b) **2025-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (D)**
Presented by:
John Mortenson, Transportation Engineering Manager
Greg Lucas, Senior Transportation Engineer

Greg presented on the 2025-2030 TIP Project List, asking for feedback on the list of projects added to the TIP. The board reviewed the memo from the Environmental Board. After discussion, John Mortenson walked through each consideration, addressing whether or not the

relevance of the comments would affect the TIP moving forward. The board chose to declare that they support John's verbal response to the Environmental Board's memo.

Greg then moved on to the TIP Projects Added list, which include:

- Front Street & NW Dogwood Intersection Improvements
- Three Trails Crossing
- East Sunset Way Improvements
- 220th Avenue SE & SE 51st Street Improvements
- City-Wide Advanced Signage

Overall, most of the questions were clarifying questions about the scope of the projects, scoring, and long timelines. One member also asked about projects that did not make it onto the list.

When asked about the board's final conclusions or concerns about the TIP Project list, the group stated that the projects generally match up with the city's goals. The group called out some specific projects (including Dogwood, 51st & 220th, and Sunset) as projects that will be deeply impactful for the community. The group also voiced support for cohesive bike facilities, community involvement on the projects, and protecting natural resources.

REPORTS

a) **Board Work Plan**

Next month, David Reedy, Sustainability Coordinator, will be presenting the 2022 Greenhouse Gas Inventory. Then, John Larson-Friend will be presenting on Traffic Calming, bringing some questions about specific issues we should be considering as we craft the policy's implementation structure. The policy itself will be brought back during a subsequent month once ready.

b) **Staff Report**

Comprehensive Plan Update from October – Been getting feedback on draft elements from agencies and addressing comments. Will start putting together images and visual aids for drafts beginning in April.

John Larson-Friend will reach out to the remaining TAB members for check ins.

c) **Chair Report**

April marks the final month of the term.

d) **Youth Report**

Avi talked about the importance of walkable communities. Huge decrease in youth having driver's licenses, 46% down to 25%. Walking is a benefit to environment and mental health.

OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

King County's Target Zero program (state's version of Vision Zero) deployed a Smart Sign today on Front St (going south). City applied for the program and Front St was one of their top four scoring projects. Detects speeds, phone usage, and seatbelt use. Collects data and will give to the city once the deployment ends in four to eight weeks.

Dave announced that in May, he will leave KC Veterans Advisory Board after 18 years.

Erika announced that there will be an April 2nd Reps meeting at 6:30pm

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at at 7:50PM