

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
Transportation Advisory Board

6:00 PM
 May 28, 2025

MINUTES

Tibbetts Manor, 750 17th Ave.
 NW, Issaquah

COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Board members:

Julian Mydlil, Chair
 Erika Boyd
 Adam Fuchs
 Cynthia Krass
 Victoria Monroe
 Allie Morton
 Derek Su; Youth
 Micah Zeitz-Chua

Administration/Staff:

Thomas Valdriz, Senior Transportation Planner
 John Mortenson, Transportation Engineering Manager
 Emily Moon, Public Works Director
 Gillian Straub, Management Analyst
 Jared Schneider, Emergency Manager

City Consultant Team:

Torsten Lienau, Jacobs
 Kendra Breiland, Fehr & Peers

Excused Absences:

Carlos Besana
 Lamir Magus
 Hany Maklad

Unexcused Absence:

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of April 23, 2025

The Board unanimously approved the meeting minutes from the April 23, 2025 Transportation Advisory Board meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Councilmember Jiang thanked Transportation Advisory Board members and City Staff for the good work that is done to enhance transportation throughout the City of Issaquah.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- a) **Multimodal Transportation Concurrency Policy: Proposed Updates (D)**

Presented by:

Torsten Lienau, Jacobs (Consultant)
Kendra Breiland, Fehr & Peers (Consultant)
John Mortenson, Transportation Engineering Manager
Gillian Straub, Management Analyst

Lienau, Breiland, Mortenson, and Straub presented, providing background information, the rationales for each of the recommended updates, and policy questions for the Board to provide feedback on. The Board asked and Lienau, Breiland, and Mortenson answered clarifying questions related to each transportation mode (walking, biking, transit, automobiles) policy question and then provided staff with feedback.

Pedestrian Level of Service

The Board was in general agreement with the proposed changes to pedestrian level of service.

Bicycle Level of Traffic Stress

The Board was in general agreement with the proposed changes to bicycle level of traffic stress but requested that additional verification work be done to ensure that the associated map is correct.

Transit Level of Service

The Board requested that staff return to the TAB at a future meeting to have a more detailed discussion. There was general interest in exploring additional factors to be considered as part of the LOS methodology.

Automobile Concurrency

The Board was in general support of including leading pedestrian intervals (LPIs) to Tier 1 pedestrian corridors with additional review for intersections that operate at an LOS of D or below.

The Board was in general support of including transit signal priority (TSP) where practical and feasible. The Board recommended that thorough reviews be conducted prior to any implementations to ensure that installation makes sense, and to consider where TSP may also require additional mitigations / enhancements to be effective.

b) Wildfire Evacuation Time Estimate Study (D)

Presented by:

Jared Schneider, Emergency Manager

Schneider presented, providing background information, the study's scope, and selected key findings. The Board asked and Schneider answered clarifying questions. The Board provided feedback on future evacuation planning scenarios. There was a brief discussion on some practical ways that the community could prepare to improve evacuation times.

c) Chair and Vice-Chair Nominations & Elections (A)

Presented by:

Thomas Valdriz, Senior Planner

The Board nominated and unanimously voted to elect Erika Boyd as the new Chair.
The Board nominated and unanimously voted to elect Adam Fuchs as the new Vice Chair.

REPORTS

b) Staff Report

Presented by:

Thomas Valdriz, Senior Planner

Valdriz welcomed new TAB members and stated that the next meeting will focus primarily on trainings for TAB members.

c) Chair Report

N/A

OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

N/A

ADJOURNMENT

INQUIRIES