



BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMISSION
City Hall, Periwinkle Room
333 Broadalbin Street SW
February 23, 2016
7 p.m.

MINUTES

Commission Members Present: Tim McCloud, Terry Virnig, Jim Lawrence, Bill Pintard, Mark Siddall, Stephen Van Buskirk (arrived 7:09 p.m.)

Commission Members Absent: Rob Bornheimer (excused)

Staff Present: Ron Irish (Transportation Systems Analyst), Irene Mann (Executive Assistant to the Public Works Director)

Others Present: None

CALL TO ORDER

Ron Irish called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Pintard made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of January 23, 2016. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Virnig and passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

PROTECTED INTERSECTIONS

Irish mentioned that there are very few protected intersections in the U.S. A 'protected intersection' is a Dutch style intersection between two streets with protected bike lanes. Cyclists and pedestrians are protected from cars, usually with physical separation, with paint and often concrete barriers, or a gap, median, parked cars, etc. Irish said while there are very few of these in the United States, the Albany intersection of Queen and Geary might work. There was discussion among the Commissioners and Irish about the possibility of a protected intersection in the future.

US 20 CORRIDOR SAFETY PROJECT

Irish said that the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is trying to focus on inexpensive treatments and quick resolutions. A cheap fix would be striping changes.

CORVALLIS/ALBANY PATH PROJECT

Irish reiterated the funding and schedule for the project. On March 1, 2016, there was funding in the ODOT STIP (Statewide Transportation Improvement Program) for the portion of the path in North Albany from Hickory Street to Scenic Drive. There is a meeting on February 24, 2016, and Irish said he would provide an update at the following Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Commission meeting.

REPORT FROM EVENT SUB-COMMITTEE-ALBANY BIKE EVENT

The sub-committee did not meet. Commission members will talk to the Parks & Recreation Director about insurance costs for an Albany event. Discussion about possibly having an event that included a ride to Talking Water Gardens. The Commissioners looked at May 20, 2017, as a possible date for an Albany event.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Irish will schedule a presentation to the Albany City Council work session on April 11, 2016, to discuss obstructions in bike lanes. Irish will create a Power Point presentation.

Commissioner Pintard asked about the timing for the Riverside Drive widening project. Irish said there were some wetland issues and the project was two-three years away.

Commissioner McCloud mentioned the Liberty/Elm hiking club and said they meet once a month. For more information contact: travis.keating@albanyk12.or.us.

Commissioner Virnig left at 8 p.m.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 22, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., in Albany City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:35p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Mann
Executive Assistant to the Public Works Director