



**KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**Thursday, September 22, 2005 @ 7:00 p.m.
Keizer City Hall – Conference Room B**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Prothero called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Steve Prothero, Chair
Susan Keen, Vice Chair
Randy Jackson
David Dehlin
David Rios
Charles Hoffer
Chris Arnett (arrived 7:10)

Staff Present:

Rob Kissler, Public Works Director
Lance Inman, Police Liaison

Also Present:

Carl Anderson, Inventory Clerk
David McKane, Council Liaison

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ~ Randy Jackson moved for approval of the August 25, 2005 minutes. Susan Keen seconded. Motion passed unanimously by all members present. (Prothero, Keen, Jackson, Dehlin, Rios and Hoffer)

4. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS - None

5. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- **ACTS Oregon Grant ~ Report from Inventory Clerk ~** Carl Anderson presented the results of his bike and pedestrian facilities inventory with a power point presentation delineating the various facilities with different colors in zones, segments and cells. He explained the different markings adding that the data is stored both as a Microsoft Access file and as a Microsoft Excel file, so that using either program data can be retrieved and sorted as needed. Discussion followed regarding street improvements. Rob Kissler interjected that Dearborn NE would be improved next, Sunset following and then reconstruction of parts of Wheatland Road. He also suggested that the information be forwarded to ACTS Oregon and Council Liaison David McKane suggested that it be presented to Council during public testimony. Discussion took place regarding possible methods for updating the database and keeping it current as the city changes. Lance Inman suggested that perhaps the Planning Department could recreate the map in layers so that it could be updated on a regular basis. Discussion took place regarding using a GIS program to store the map and supplemental information and the time involved for this and keeping the information current.
- **River Road Renaissance Report ~** Chris Arnett explained that the next meeting was a week away so he had nothing to report.

- 6. BIKEWAYS REPORT** ~ Bikeways representative was not in attendance but Chair Prothero reported that to his knowledge the committee had submitted their application to ACTS Oregon and he had given them a letter of support from the Commission.
- 7. OTHER BUSINESS** ~ Rob Kissler reported that City Council has authorized staff to move forward with the Windsor Island speed study from Chemawa Road to the north city limits and he will be working with the Oregon State Speed Control Board on it. He requested copies of the police department data stating that even though the data doesn't warrant a speed reduction between Chemawa and Lockhaven, the turning movements, higher volume, truck traffic, increased growth, additional residential subdivisions, lack of sidewalks, new commercial driving range, and the vertical curve (hill) all create a need for lower speed limits. Possible recommendation would be 30 mph from Windsor Island Road to Lockhaven and 40 mph from Lockhaven to the north city limits.
- Mr. Kissler reported that the contractor at Keizer Station is beginning work on boring under Chemawa Road for a water line and has been given a permit for bridge embankment work and bridge construction. He then detailed plans for this construction work and explained that acquisition of ground west of the railroad tracks continues. Discussion followed regarding closure of Ridge Drive. Mr. Kissler then updated the Commission on construction plans of the railroad contractor and cleaning of Lockhaven near the construction site.
- 8. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT** ~ Councilor McKane reported that Council has been discussing the permanent closure of Fourth Place which has been temporarily closed for 13 years. He reviewed the history of this issue adding that 100% of the people in the adjoining neighborhood were in favor of the closure, city staff and public works were neutral, the fire district wanted it open because of the fire hydrant in the vicinity of the barricade. He concluded that Council had directed Traffic Safety Commission and city staff to conduct further investigation into the issue and come up with a recommendation for Council. Following lengthy discussion, members agreed to research this issue and address it at the next meeting. Councilor McKane encouraged members to watch the meeting on Channel 23 or on the video tape and form a recommendation that would be acceptable to both neighbors and the Fire District. Sgt. Inman volunteered to put the counting plates in the area to determine traffic volume. Randy Jackson reminded the commission that it is against Council policy to close a public street. Councilor McKane responded that this road might be an exception, but closing it might set a precedent.
- 9. POLICE LIAISON REPORT** ~ Lance Inman reported that
- A parade for the SMART Program would be held on Saturday but if attendance is low, participants will be confined to the sidewalk.
 - Two grant applications (\$4800 each) have been submitted for DUI Overtime Enforcement and Seatbelt Overtime Enforcement, but results are not yet known
- 10. ADJOURNMENT** ~ Meeting adjourned at an undetermined time (tape ran out).
Next Meeting ~ October 27, 2005, 7:00 pm – Conference Room A