



**KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY, BIKEWAYS & PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

**Thursday, July 15, 2021
Keizer City Council Chambers**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair DeBlasi called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Attendance follows:

Present:

Michael DeBlasi, Chair
Wayne Frey, Vice Chair
David Dempster
Jamie Davis
Steven Wolf
Rick Kuehn
Hersch Sangster

Council Liaison/Staff Present:

Mike Griffin, Public Works
Martin Powell, Police
Ross Day, Councilor
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: David Dempster moved for approval of the June 2021 Minutes. Steven Wolf seconded. Motion passed as follows: DeBlasi, Frey, Dempster, Wolf and Davis in favor with Sangster and Kuehn abstaining.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS

Martin Doerfler, Keizer, requested placement of red light cameras at intersections on River Road to help curb the ongoing problem of drivers running red lights. Officer Powell explained that the request would need to be made to Council and a traffic history would be needed to verify the need. Mr. Doerfler then inquired what could be done about the loud mufflers on cars and motorcycles. Officer Martin responded that in order for a citation to be issued, the police must hear them. They cannot issue a citation with just a license plate being reported so it is difficult to enforce.

Discussion then took place regarding the cost of the red light cameras (\$15,000-\$30,000) including a speed monitor, combining the camera/monitor with traffic calming devices, and working with SKATS, MWACT and the City of Salem.

Carolyn Holman, Keizer, and *Carol Doerfler*, President of the West Keizer Neighborhood Association, voiced support for the red light cameras and echoed Martin Doerfler's complaints about noise.

REVIEW SCHOOL SIDEWALK/BOUNDARY GIS MAPS: Chair DeBlasi brought attention to the maps noting that he hoped they could be used to determine locations of inadequate sidewalks and the information could be used to apply for grants. Jamie Davis noted that after review of the maps the Committee might want to revisit their list of priorities and perhaps partner with Safe Routes to School. Rick Kuehn asked for a map showing arterials/minor arterials that do not have sidewalks. Chair DeBlasi suggested a small group review the maps and lead further discussion at the next meeting.

POSSIBLE BIKE RODEO AT KEIZERFEST: Hersch Sangster indicated that it was too late to try to put this together. Chair DeBlasi suggested that the committee get a booth at the event to promote bike safety and give out helmets. Committee members suggested that this be postponed to next year.

PROJECT REPORTS:

Steven Wolf – City-wide Missing Link/Neighborhood Connectivity: No report.

Hersch Sangster – Bicycle Friendly Designation/Helmet Program: No report.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: July Planning Commission meeting was cancelled.

COMMITTEE MEMBER INPUT:

Hersch Sangster shared information about the Monster Cookie Ride and suggested that the committee have a booth there to give away helmets and share bike safety materials.

Mike DeBlasi suggested that temporary blinking lights be placed at specific intersections during the KeizerFEST. Discussion followed regarding the location of barricades and the impact of KeizerFEST on the Willamette Scenic Bikeway. Chair DeBlasi then brought attention to the possibility of doing street mural painting for KeizerFEST; perhaps at the entrance to the carnival area. Committee members agreed that this would be a good project with which to partner with the Chamber and asked that it be placed on the January 2022 agenda and that a Chamber representative be invited to that meeting.

STAFF REPORT: Mike Griffin reported that stormwater is checking and cleaning catch basins and outfalls. There is no paving going on this year.

POLICE REPORT: No report.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT: No report.

OTHER BUSINESS

Planning Commission/Council Report: Rick Kuehn will report to Council on August 2 and will monitor the August 11 Planning Commission meeting.

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting ~ August 19, 2021, 6 p.m.

Minutes Approved: 08-19-21