



KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY, BIKEWAYS & PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Thursday, July 9, 2020
Keizer City Council Chambers**

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Pat Fisher called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Attendance follows:

Present:

Pat Fisher, Vice Chair
Steven Wolf
Wayne Frey
David Dempster
Hersch Sangster

Council Liaison/Staff Present:

Councilor Dan Kohler
David LeDay, Police Department
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

Absent:

Michael DeBlasi, Chair
Jamie Davis

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: David Dempster moved for approval of the June 2020 Minutes. Hersch Sangster seconded. Committee members indicated they wished the Minutes to reflect the fact that they were opposed to allowing parking on the Multi-use path on Delight. Motion to approve Minutes as amended passed as follows: Fisher, Wolf, Frey, Davis and Dempster in favor with Davis and DeBlasi absent.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS:

Carol Doerfler, Keizer, stated that although Delight is not perfect, it is improved over what the children had before and that was the primary aim of the West Keizer Neighborhood Association: to define a pathway for children to walk on. She suggested that the committee wait until school starts to see if parking continues noting that Mr. Lawyer had indicated that WKNA could request a no parking zone during certain hours (when children are going to and from school) if it was determined to be necessary.

Jeff Crueger, Keizer, stated that traffic going through the intersection of Shoreline and Cummings is either not stopping or peeling out. He suggested placement of speed bumps or a small traffic circle as a traffic calming device. Hersch Sangster voiced opposition to placement of speed bumps, particularly because the intersection is part of the Willamette Valley Scenic Bikeway. He added that traffic circles can be a maintenance problem. Carol Doerfler interjected that she was in favor of a traffic circle but suggested that it be placed at the larger intersection of Shoreline and Rafael. This would slow traffic down so that at the next intersection they would be moving slower. She suggested the Police wait until after school starts and traffic picks up before patrolling the area.

Lisa Cejka, Keizer, added that she is a daily walker and that block of Shoreline is the most dangerous part of her walk because people don't stop when she waits at the intersection and traffic moves too fast.

Discussion followed regarding crossing islands in the intersection instead of the circle and the impact of traffic calming devices on emergency vehicles.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Sidewalk Connectivity: Members reviewed the table which included suggestions from the committee. Following discussion, the following streets were determined to be of the highest priority:

HIGH PRIORITY	From	To
<i>Windsor Island Road N ★</i>	Chemawa Road	Lockhaven Drive
<i>Keizer Road NE</i>	Verda Lane	Ridge Drive
<i>Noren Avenue NE</i>	Keizer Road	Dearborn Avenue
<i>Manbrin Drive ★</i>	River Road	Shoreline Drive
MEDIUM PRIORITY		
Sunset Avenue N ★	Rivercrest Drive	River Road
Brooks Avenue	Alder Drive	Thorman Avenue

★ Indicates the project is listed in the current Traffic System Plan

PROJECT REPORTS:

Pat Fisher - Parkway Path Signage | Public Outreach/Trash Receptacles: No report at this time. She indicated that she hoped to have a detailed report with different scenarios in the future.

Steven Wolf – City-wide Missing Link/Neighborhood Connectivity project. The COG sidewalk inventory focuses on arterials and collectors; not on local neighborhoods. He will contact Bill Lawyer about access the COG ADA inventory which might provide some of the information.

Michael DeBlasi – NACTO Discussion & Street Trees (Salem Program): No report.

Hersch Sangster – Bike Friendly Designation: Application needs to be in by August so will work on this for submission in August 2021. It is hoped that with the new Safe Routes to School coordinator, Keizer will receive a higher ranking.

Wayne Frey – ODOT Community Path Program: No report.

Jamie Davis – Safe Routes to School Grant: No Report.

COMMITTEE MEMBER INPUT:

David Dempster thanked the City for the painted left turn lane at Park Meadow and River Road and wondered why the Wheatland Road Multimodal Corridor Plan is being done since there is no plan to develop out there.

Wayne Frey reported that blackberries are beginning to encroach on bike lanes.

Hersch Sangster reported that the number of cyclists is growing.

Steven Wolf reported that traffic around In-n-Out has lessened since we are allowed to get out.

Pat Fisher reminded members that this was her last meeting and distributed a token of appreciation to them. She shared information she had gotten from the Oregon Bicycle Law website, noted that she considered the multi-use path a 'side path' and gave materials regarding laws for that to a member of the committee. She added that she could not find anything on the legality of parking in a bike lane.

STAFF REPORT: Mike Griffin absent – no report.

POLICE LIAISON REPORT: Officer LeDay reported that traffic has gone from minimal with higher speeds to more congestion and lower speeds. The department has added a third motor officer so is now fully staffed and can address issues efficiently.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT: Councilor Kohler reported that the bushes in his neighborhood had been trimmed and thanked committee members noting that it is the little things that make a difference.

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting ~ August 13, 2020, 6 p.m.

Minutes Approved: 08-13-20