



MINUTES
KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY/BIKEWAYS/PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE
Thursday, May 22, 2025
Keizer City Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER Vice Chair Brenda Lamb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Attendance was noted as follows:

Present:

Brenda Lamb, Vice Chair
David Dempster
Hersch Sangster
Trevor Lewis

Council Liaison/Staff Present:

Council President Starr
Mike Griffin, Storm Ops & Streets
Martin Powell, Police Liaison
Dawn Wilson, Deputy City Recorder

Absent:

David Philbrick
Michael De Blasi, Chair
Matt Myers
Youth Liaison - Open Position

Council Liaison/Staff Absent:

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. March 20, 2025 Minutes ~ needs a new motion to approve the minutes without any changes. Hersch Sangster moved that the Keizer Traffic Safety, Bikeways, Pedestrian Committee meeting of March 20, 2025, minutes be approved as written. David Dempster seconded. Motion passed as follows: Dempster, Sangster, Lamb, and Lewis in favor with Myers, De Blasi, and Philbrick absent.

b. April 17, 2025 Minutes David Dempster moved to approve the minutes of April 17th meeting. Hersch Sangster seconded. Motion passed as follows: Dempster, Sangster, Lamb, and Lewis in favor with Myers, De Blasi, and Philbrick absent.

3. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED PERSONS Rhonda Rich, Keizer, President of West Keizer Neighborhood Association, expressed concern about the traffic speeding on Manbrin Avenue. She asked for clarity on the Neighborhood Traffic Management process.

Kathy Hill, Keizer, shared concern for the traffic on their street. Recently, construction trucks are using Manbrin, tearing up the road, and speeding. Other vehicles are speeding, and she felt there was a safety issue. She requested something to slow-vehicles down.

Tara Tuapker, Keizer, shared that the neighborhood was like a family, and she had lived on Manbrin for 30 years. Manbrin has become a cut-through road, drivers speed through the intersection without yielding, and speed on Manbrin. She felt that the neighborhood was now unsafe because of the drivers. She requested the City address the issues.

David Fagan, Keizer, shared that he had lived in Keizer for seven years and noticed a big difference in speed increasing and drivers not stopping. He was concerned about all the bicyclist using the Willamette Valley Scenic Highway because they would be coming out of the path to Manbrin, and there would be safety issues awaiting on Manbrin. He clarified that the sidewalks weren't an issue; as the issue was crossing the street.

Jean Laurenovics, Keizer, asked to suggested to have blinking stop signs on Manbrin. She sees the same vehicles disobeying the stop signs and feels that the speeding was a very important issue.

Chad Albright, Keizer, shared that he and his wife have lived in the Manbrin neighborhood for two years and has concern for his granddaughter's safety. He commented that the sidewalks were very narrow. He asked for something to change. He felt that there would be something they could do as a community.

Joan English, Keizer, shared that she has lived in Keizer for almost 30 years and has appreciated the Council, the Police and Fire forces. She was very impressed with how the City of Keizer wants a safe and fun place for the citizens. She felt that it's terrifying for her to back out of her driveway because divers are speeding on Manbrin. She expressed concern for the electric cars because persons couldn't hear them when walking along the street.

Council President Starr took a count of 12 persons in attendance who were interested in spacing about the Manbrin safety issues.

David Dempster commented that maintenance of sidewalks was the responsibility of the property owners. He shared that complaints could be made with the Code Compliance Officer who would encourage the property owners to make repairs.

He shared that there was a request from the Traffic Safety, Bikeways, and Pedestrian (TSBP) Committee to reduce residential speed limits to 20 miles per hour. He also shared that they could use the Neighborhood Traffic Safety Program to work with their neighborhood association and complete the form to start the process. Mr. Dempster suggested starting out with a speed bump.

Council President Starr shared that the Council did direct staff to research

the process to reduce the speed limit. She understood that there was a speeding and traffic issue in Keizer. She offered to walk and drive the Manbrin area so she could have eyes on the speakers' concerns.

Hersch Sangster recognized how important Manbrin was and that he was an avid cyclist who used Manbrin to get to Salem and back for recreational cycling. He commented that data was needed before applying street-calming devices.

Officer Powell commented that he has some ideas that may help with the issue before a lot of work was involved. He shared that he was seeing higher speed going into Manbrin and that he was watching Manbrin. He offered to give four hours of his time to monitor the situation during peak times with a laser to check speeds from one of the neighbors' driveway with the homeowner there. A date and times were set, and property owners agreed to an upcoming monitoring day.

Rachel Navarro, Keizer, requested that something be done with the schools and the parking issue on Arnold and expressed her appreciation for Officer Powell monitoring the situation. Officer Powell shared that this was a city-wide school issue and didn't know of a solution and that issuing citations wouldn't resolve the issue. Councilor Kohler acknowledged the safety issue and noted that the City would continue to look at this.

a. Written Public Comment - Traffic Issues on Tepper Lane NE Written public comment was acknowledged concerning traffic issues on Tepper Lane NE. The TSBP encouraged the concerned person to work with the Greater Gubster Neighborhood Association.

4. EQUITY ANALYSIS AND TRANSPORTATION PLAN Ellen Palmquist, Consultant and Director with Kearns & West, presented on an Equity Analysis and Transportation Plan Engagement. Her colleague Maria Verano assisted with the presentation.

ENGAGEMENT ~ Presentation by City's Engagement Consultant Ms. Palmquist spoke about Transportation System Plan (TSP) background, engagement, communications plan, timeline, audiences. She covered several engagement and communications goals, strategies, and how the City would measure success and reach the key audiences. She shared the roles of partner agency, staff, and the City Council.

Ms. Palmquist shared that there may be a project advisory committee formed, along with period briefings with the TSBP for broad engagement.

Hersch Sangster commented that Salem-Keizer Schools wasn't involved and wanted them to be an engagement point.

David Dempster suggested to have meetings in the local establishments because he's heard many driving complaints in the local establishments.

Brenda Lamb offered to share additional suggestions with Planning Director Shane Witham to pass onto Ms. Palmquist.

Brenda Lamb commented on having a podcast to reach the community.

David Dempster commented that using Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study (SKATS) could be part of the plan.

Hersch Sangester commented that Marion County was doing a rural Transportation System Plan.

Council President Starr commented that the City was collecting information from the community about possible expansion and growth.

5. PROJECT SPREADSHEET REVIEW

- a. Active Items on Project List** The active items on the project list were discussed and updates were made.
- Council President Starr updated the TSBP by commenting that the Lockhaven and River Road green paint for bike crossings request didn't make it through the Budget Committee and into the recommended budget to City Council.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Green Paint Locations (Please see list in packet) ~ Discussion** The members asked for this item to be added to the next Agenda.

- 7. COMMITTEE MEMBER INPUT** David Dempster summarized the traffic-calming devices document that was provided to the members.

Hersch Sangster shared that he would be involved in an upcoming bike ride with children and parents event with the Harritt Elementary Bike Ploozza in Salem and a mini-bike skills fair at Keizer Elementary.

- 8. STAFF REPORT** Storm, Streets and Operations Division Manager Mike Griffin shared that bark dust was laid and clean-up was done at Keizer Station Boulevard. Public Works also repaired a storm line that Ziply bored through at Horizon Ridge Court. There weren't any major issues with the streets regarding the Parade on Saturday, except for 60 cones that were stolen off Lockhaven.

- 9. POLICE LIAISON REPORT** Office Martin Powell shared that they are working on multiple speeding complaints throughout the city. He requested on the traffic-calming device document that issues regarding speed, parking, or stop signs be reported to

him first.

**10. COUNCIL
LIAISON REPORT**

Council President Starr asked about the City receiving payment from Ziplly on the Horizon Ridge Court repair, and Mr. Griffin commented that a work order was sent to Ziplly to collect payment for all of the repairs made by Public Works.

Council President Starr shared about the upcoming Town Hall Listening Session for residents to provide their opinion on the urban growth boundary. She encouraged everyone to watch the video and complete the survey on the City's website. She reminded everyone about Public Works Day on June 18th and Soggy Day in the Park on Saturday.

**11. MEMBER
REPORTING TO
COUNCIL: David
Dempster on June
2nd at 6pm**

David Dempster would report to City Council on June 2nd.

**12. ADJOURNMENT ~ Meeting adjourned: 7:30 p.m.
Next Meeting:
June 26th (the 4th
Thursday because
the 3rd Thursday
is a Holiday)**

Minutes approved: _____

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