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KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY/BIKEWAYS/PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE **AGENDA**

Thursday, October 17, 2024, 6:00 PM
Keizer City Council Chambers

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. September Minutes
3. **APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED PERSONS**
4. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Planning Director Shane Witham ~ will be Answering Members' Questions - Please see attachments
5. **PROJECT SPREADSHEET REVIEW**
 - a. Project List
6. **COMMITTEE MEMBER INPUT**
7. **STAFF REPORT**
8. **POLICE LIAISON REPORT**
9. **COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT**
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

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MINUTES
KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY/BIKEWAYS/PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE
Thursday, September 19, 2024
Keizer City Council Chambers

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** Chair Saldivar called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Attendance was noted as follows:

Present: Tammy Saldivar, Chair Michael De Blasi, Vice Chair David Dempster Brenda Lamb David Philbrick Daniel Kohler, Council Liaison	Council Liaison/Staff Present: Mike Griffin, Storm Ops & Streets Martin Powell, Police Liaison Dawn Wilson, Deputy City Recorder
Absent: Hersch Sangster Matt Myers Youth Liaison - Open Position	Council Liaison/Staff Absent: Daniel Kohler
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. August Minutes** David Dempster moved for approval of the August 2024 Minutes. Michale De Blasi seconded. Motion passed as follows: Saldivar, De Blasi, Dempster, Lamb, and Philbrick in favor with Sangster and Myers absent.
- 3. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED PERSONS**
 - a. Traffic Calming Submission by Tammy Kunz ~ GNEKNA** Tammy Kunz, Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association (GNEKNA), submitted the proposed Traffic Calming submission. Chair Saldivar highlighted the green bike lanes in the traffic-calming submission. Chair Saldivar would look at the Little League park.

Councilor Daniel Kohler shared that Ridge Road has a parking issue. Mr. Dempster asked about turning some of the Little League into parking. Chair Saldivar offered to talk with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Officer Powell confirmed that there was a parking problem, and it had been

for many years. He agrees that without creating a parking lot, there was no solution.

Michael De Blasi suggested entering into an agreement with the Church on the Hill to use its parking lot and have a shuttle bus to the fields.

Ms. Kunz also submitted a report from GNEKNA on Community Crossing Guard Program. Chair Saldivar would communicate with Ms. Kunz to see if she was working with the school district.

4. PROJECT SPREADSHEET REVIEW

a. Project List

The Project List was discussed and updated.

Chair Saldivar observed the Lockhaven North at McClure rapid flashing beacon, and it was successful. Chair Saldivar asked that Public Works or Police observe stop bar with no ramp and stop sign to see if there were problems and if there are any solutions.

Chair Saldivar shared that people coming off of Lockhaven and turning right to go to McNary Estates are getting frustrated with the amount of cars being backed up to go into the school.

Discussion ensued on the cars using three lanes instead of two and are backing up to the intersection, causing safety issues. Officer Powell commented that the cars are not parking and are just waiting. He believes that this issue would be something the school should address.

Mr. De Blasi asked about removing the turn lane and adding a shoulder lane. He commented that it would be helpful to have more safe routes to school programs completed.

Chair Saldivar commented that this item would remain on the active projects list for three more months and discussed further at the November meeting.

Councilor Kohler attended the Southeast Keizer Neighborhood Association meeting, and they talked about the flashing beacon and speed monitor. They had noticed a significant change in the reduced number of people that had been speeding through there. They were appreciative and felt it was working well.

David Philbrick shared that he rides the Lockhaven and River Road bike path, and it was safe. Lockhaven and McCloud going West, where it goes into one lane, was an unsafe intersection for bicyclists with cars right-hooking the bicyclists.

Chair Saldivar suggested a list of locations that needed green paint. Mr. De Blasi would prepare the list.

The following items would be added to the active project list: 1) Harmony Drive for a Speed Study. Officer Powell visited the site and did some enforcement and witnessed some drives speeding, and he will monitor the area. 2) Willow Lake Road has a parking issue. Mike Griffin shared that the yellow painted curbs indicate no parking. Chair Saldivar would report back to the Neighborhood Association on their concern.

**5. UPCOMING
MAJOR
PROJECTS**

There were no new major projects.

6. NEW BUSINESS

**a. Red Light
Cameras ~
Continue
Discussion from
July**

Chair Saldivar asked if the members viewed the red light cameras' webinar that was emailed. Discussion ensued on red light cameras versus speed bumps. Officer Powell confirmed that photo red lights also track speed and both violations were independent. Councilor Kohler shared that he spoke with the previous Police Chief Teague, who said that photo red light was not cost-efficient because the company who runs the red lights keeps the profit.

Officer Powell made a correction on record that Chemawa, Lockhaven, and Keizer Station at the major intersection had speeding issues. The stadium that was previously stated was incorrect.

**7. COMMITTEE
MEMBER INPUT**

Mr. Dempster asked about the Walkable Cities. If this Committee talks about pedestrians, asking for wider sidewalks, more crosswalks, or signals was not necessary because there are very few walkers. Mr De Blasi commented that the area needs to be built for safety so that pedestrians would feel better about walking.

Mr. Dempster will have a helmet fitting at the Fire Department's Open House.

Mr. Philbrick commented that the bulk of the submittal from GNEKNA was about creating and maintaining walking paths. He believes walking paths and connecting the parks should be central to the community. By increasing the number of people walking and biking, the issues related to cars could improve.

Brenda Lamb shared that the City of Salem designated a greenway in neighborhoods limiting speed to 20 for neighborhoods with low traffic and low speed streets that prioritize people walking, bicycling, and rolling. She thought this could apply to Rivercrest to lower the speed limit from 25 to 20 miles per hour. She suggested having streets prioritized for walking.

Mr. Philbrick asked about bike path maintenance. There has been glass on the bike path for weeks on the eastbound bike path at the overpass. The City's Public Works Department was responsible for maintenance, which was complaint-driven. Chair Saldivar added that if there was a crash and a tow truck was called, that it was the tow truck's responsibility to clean up the glass.

Chair Saldivar shared a work session between the Council and Community Diversity Engagement Committee on the appointment process coming up. The Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) was presented and accepted by the City Council. City staff and this Committee was anticipating receiving feedback and updates would be made to the NTMP as necessary. This Committee's resolution was adopted. She met with the Arts Commission and was getting the Street Art Program running. She would be working with Tammy Kunz on putting murals in the parks to reduce graffiti. The City approved moving forward with a pilot flag program.

She asked about recruiting another Youth Liaison. Ms. Lamb would talk with McNary High School.

8. STAFF REPORT Storm Operations and Street Division Manager Mike Griffin reported on a fiber update. The City of Salem was waiting for IT to update the system. The paving project for this season wraps up next week.

9. POLICE LIAISON REPORT Police Officer Martin Powell reported that he would do the speed survey on Alder and another on Harmony based upon complaints. Regarding the Lockhaven school issue, the video that was shared was the first time he heard about it. He would be evaluating the problem.

10. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT Councilor Kohler shared that it has been a dream to have a path that goes all along Claggett Creek from Martin Luther King, Jr. Express Way to the corner of Lockhaven and River Road. That's getting closer to happening, and it would include a bike and pedestrian path, which could reduce the usage by the homeless along Claggett Creek.

There would be a new Council Liaison appointed in January.

11. ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned: 7:40 p.m.

Minutes approved: 10/17/2024

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Question by Chair Tammy Saldivar-

1. Keizer station- is it going as it was planned 20 years ago? Is traffic getting worse and do we need to be concerned with the new developments being added?

Questions from Michael DeBlasi-

2. When will multi-family housing developments be required to have unit fronts face the street?
3. What is stopping Planning from taking over transportation planning and leaving maintenance and contract management to Public Works?
4. How are street hierarchy design and speed standards in Code set? Can we base the standards on their context rather than vehicle movement?

Questions from David Philbrick-

1. At what point in reviewing different development proposals are traffic implications considered? If existing streets are at capacity, is further development possible without providing the needed capacity? Are the reviews only for the area adjacent to the proposed development or do they consider impacts on the community more broadly? If development will impact the broader community, how are those impacts addressed? Some areas of concern that have been raised with our committee include potential traffic on Chemawa near Keizer Rapids Park with the development of the different venues in the park, and traffic flow out of Keizer Station with existing and on-going development.
2. If development changes the character (traffic density, land use) of a particular roadway; what review takes place to maintain safety in the area. What kinds of measures are considered? By whom, and when? Examples of specific situations of concern, are the following that have been raised with our committee. Following the development of the traffic circle and apartments on Verda between Dearborn and Chemawa the posted speed limit is perceived as inappropriate and unsafe by many. Was this speed limit reviewed? If not, why not, given the substantial change in the surrounding land use and traffic densities. Similar issues and concerns have been raised with the ongoing residential developments along Wheatland, sections of Windsor Island, and River Road north of Lockhaven.
3. An important metric for the quality of a community is how conducive the community is for walking and biking. This is a function of interconnected designs that reduce walking distance between destinations, infrastructure such as separated paths making walking and biking both safer and more enjoyable, and safety measures such as sidewalks, crosswalks, and bike paths to increase safety and comfort for pedestrians and cyclists on existing roads. Does Keizer have a plan for encouraging walking and biking in the community? If so, what is it and how is it being implemented?
4. Similarly, addressing environmental quality and climate change calls for reducing use of fossil fuels and increasing alternate, less polluting, transportation modes. Does Keizer have any goals or plans to help address climate change? If so, what are they, and how are they being implemented?

Traffic Safety, Bikeways & Pathways - ACTIVE PROJECTS

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S c o r e	Project	NA	Type of project	Date added	Date discussed by committee	Status	Comments
	Lockhaven N at McClure	NW	RRFB- Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon	6/7/2023		Monitor- followup in November	Engineer Warrant Study has been completed and results will be presented to Council on 11/20/23 for Council to provide direction to staff. Studay already done. 02/15/24 - Need to approach Budget Committee to move forward. 03/21/24 - RFP for next year's budget; discuss in July of 2024. 04/18/24 -Bill L. said he would get & install sooner than initally planned. 06/20/24 - Rapid flashing beacon was ordered & should be installed by July 1st. 08/15 - ramps & sign are currently being installed.

	Alder NE @ Brooks NE	SE	(2) Solar Speed Displays on Alder NE @ Brooks Ave NE- one for each direction.	6/7/2023		Monitor- City staff data expected at Oct meeting Going to Council 11/20/23 - Council needs to direct timeline as nothing set aside in current budget for this. 02/15/24- Should be here in mid-February & Public Works will install it. 03/21/24 - Speed displays were installed last week. School & sidewalk signage are installed. Dawn Wilson invited the SEKNA Chair to speak on the result. 04/18/24 - Equipment failed, was returned & will be replaced. 06/20/24 - equipment was replaced. 08/15 - the TSBP received an "attaboy" from the SEKNA for the speed displays!
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	Signs along Bike path, the Parkway side.	SE	Signs	6/7/2023		Monitor-Safe Routes to Parks? In process. City is working on this with ODOT. Monitor the resolution in 3 months. 02/15/24- Awaiting feedback on progress and schedule. 03/21/24 - Councilor Husseman spoke w/ODOT & he read email; no IGA; \$1,000+ for signs and \$2,600 w/labor; working on grant; City would have to maintain signs. Mike to look into situation & report back to TSBP. 04/18/24 - Mike is waiting to hear from ODOT. Chair will talk w/ODOT contact (Jenna), if okay with Public Works. 06/20/24 - can push back on ODOT for maintenance support after purchasing signs or partner w/County for bigger value. Hersch will talk w/County & Heidi. 08/15 - Hersch to talk about this in October.
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Traffic Safety, Bikeways & Pathways - NEED FURTHER ANALYSIS

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S c o r e	Project	NA	Type of project	Date added	Date discussed by committee	Status	Comments
	Lockhaven NE bike striping at River Rd -- Eastbound only at Creekside Bus Stop	GNE		6/15/2023		Monitor	In Process: City to address with striping. Mayor Clark said that this is a go and Bill Lawyer will ease it out to make a bike lane pullout to not be as sharp. 02/15/24- Mr. Sangster believes painting is critical for bicyclists eastbound & westbound. 03/21/24 - Motion made to have both sides of bike lanes painted & for traffic study. 04/18/24 - DKS Engineering is looking into this, will provide City with quote for study & were provided a bike schematic with buffers. 06/20/24 - Mike G. said the cost is \$15k for 2 DKS Studies (Lockaven study & Chemawa study)--and Council didn't recommend moving forward. 09/19/24 - Green paint on Hash Marks will cost \$29,550 for 4 areas. Bill Lawyer is working on budgeting for this. Each section is about 100ft long.

	Keizer Rd NE: Verda-Ridge	GNE	Heavy pedestrian & bicycle useage	7/20/2023		Monitor	03/21/24 - Keep on list & remind Bill Lawyer for a sidewalk in front of church. Motion made to do a study of installing a sidewalk on the N. side of Keizer Road from Verda to existing sidewalk. 04/18/24 - DKS Engineering to provide City w/quote for study. 6/20/24 Mike G reported quote for design and construction is \$153,000.
	Chemawa Rd & River Rd, Westbound	NW	Green warning striping for bicyclists	11/16/2023		Monitor	03/21/24 - Need traffic safety study or paint to show bike lane. Motion made to look at proper flow for cyclists. 04/18/24 - DKS Engineering to provide City w/quote for study. 6/20/24 Mike G. said the cost is \$15k for 2 DKS Studies (Lockaven study & Chemawa study)--and Council didn't recommend moving forward. 6/29/24 Crash data from 2017-2021 SKATS study has two bike crashes and one pedestrian crash at intersection.
	Newberg & Lockhaven	NW	McNary School - Morning Traffic turning around w/children walking	7/18/2024		Monitor	Griffin Walker's Video depicting traffic safety issue: https://youtu.be/Mhpll3GxNlo

Traffic Safety, Bikeways & Pathways - COMPLETED PROJECTS

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Project	NA	Type of project	Status	Comments
Cummings/Delight N Speed Table	WK	Speed Table	Completed	FY 23/24 Construction date: August 2023. WKNA provided feedback at the last meeting on the speed table at the school.
Library crosswalk at Rickman Rd NE	GNE	RRFB-Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon	Completed	FY 23/24 Construction date: July 2023
Claggett St NE: River- 10th/ 10th: Claggett- Chemawa NE	GNE	Speed study	Completed	Speed study complete showing 85th% EB 26mph, WB 27mph. Avg. EB 20.24mph, WB 20.53mph Data indicates there is not a speeding issue.
Windsor Island Rd / Willow Lake	WK	Paint / no parking	No Action	Evaluated by Public Works - no acted needed.
Meadowlark & 14th / Gubser School	GG	speed study	Completed	Police monitoring and traffic study. Officer Powell reported on completed speed study on Meadowlark for school traffic: average is 6 mph under speed limit at 19 mph.
Shoreline Speed Display	WK	Speed display	Completed	2023. 02/15/24- Need Post Study from Neighborhood Association. WKNA provided feedback at the last meeting.
Dearborn, near Claggett Creek Park	GNE	Crosswalk assessment	No Action	Assessed by PW in October 2023; This was brought to Bill Lawyer and he said we will not be putting a crosswalk there.
Hidden Creek and Brook Hollow	GNE	Painting project	Completed	The curbs were painted yellow October 2022.
Arnold NE/Beebe NE corner	SE	Paint curb yellow for No Parking	No Action	I drove it at various school times and did not see any issues. This kind of problem with cars nosed out into the roadway is a PD enforcement issue.

Verda and Chemawa NE	GNE	Speed signs under amber signs & flashing beacon nearby	Completed	No update. Brought up by mayor at Council meeting. Would like a Study for monitoring. 02/15/24- speed survey in progress. 03/21/24 - Public Works is working on speed advisory signs. 04/18/24 - installed. 08/15 - will ask Mike in Sept.
Candlewood NE Curve at Brooks NE	SE	Flashing Amber Beacon for curve warning	Completed	Make recommendation. Nothing set aside in current budget for this. Lt. Wenning suggested using chevrons. 02/15/24- There are chevrons there.

Traffic Safety, Bikeways & Pathways - OUTSIDE OF TSBP SCOPE

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Project	NA	Type of project	Comments
Verda at Dearborn NE		Cherriot bus stop at Dearborn NE	NA will need to contact Cherriots. Councilor Husseman to look into this. Not a Public Works Project.
Ben Miller Family Park - Fence			This to be addressed by Parks Dept.
Chemawa NE Curve on west side before approaching Lucinda Ave NE	GG	(1) Solar speed display	Make recommendation. Nothing set aside in current budget for this. 02/15/24- This falls under Public Works.
Assessment of westbound traffic on NE corner of River Rd and Lockhaven at location of delineators.	GG	observation	city staff to evaluate if crossovers are common

Traffic Safety, Bikeways & Pathways - MAJOR PROJECTS

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MAJOR Projects	Committee member	Summary of project	Date added	Comments
Region 2 ODOT project		https://odotopenhouse.org/r2-2024-construction?utm_campaign=2024-construction-ooh&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_medium=email	6/29/2024	
Verda Lane ODOT Project		https://www.oregon.gov/odot/projects/pages/project-details.aspx?project=20741	3/21/2024	
Turf Fields			3/21/2024	
Wheatland Road Project	Dave Dempster		4/18/2024	Configuration issue.
Ridge Drive (Mickey Walker - For Love of the Game)			4/18/2024	Ground maintenance & parking issues. 06/20/24 - City owns property & Members asked if it is included in "Parks" for Safe Routes - Matt Myers will look into this.

Marion County's Rural Transportation Plan	Hersch		4/18/2024	Marion County was now moving forward with their rural transportation plan, and Hersch would be serving on the committee. 06/20/24 - they just sent the survey for the 1st meeting in July - Salem is also involved.
Windsor Island - Marion County Urban Transportation Plan	Hersch		4/18/2024	Hersch is on Committee.