

**Meeting Minutes**  
**City of Sammamish Transportation Committee**  
**Wednesday, July 11, 2016 – 3:00 pm**  
**Executive Briefing Room - Sammamish City Hall**

**Called to Order:**

Committee Chair Tom Odell called the meeting to order at 3:20 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:** Tom Odell (Chair)  
Christie Malchow  
Bob Keller

**Committee Members Absent:** None

**Other Council Members Present:** None

**Staff Present:** Jessi Bon, Deputy City Manager  
Steve Leniszewski, Public Works Director  
Andrew Zagars, City Engineer  
Jim Grueber, Sr. Project Engineer  
Michelle Martin, Administrative Assistant (Recording Secretary)

**Others Present:** Peter Debolt, Consultant (Perteet)  
Peter Brennan, (Developer STC-A)  
Dan McKinney, Consultant (Perteet)  
Richard Moran, Citizen  
Paul Stickney, Citizen

**Public Comment:**

Option to reserve comment until end of the meeting extended to all present.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

The Draft minutes from June 15<sup>th</sup> are extended pending approval by the Committee.

**SE 4<sup>th</sup> Street Improvements:**

Peter Debolt opens discussion with a summary of comment responses by residents and provides a Technical Memorandum Draft to all attendees on 6 topics captured during the previous meeting:

- Residents ability to make left turns
- Engineer's Recommendation to achieve safety
- Continuity of "Green Character"
- No small medians
- Commitment to long-term look as property usage changes
- Stormwater impacts

Elements of each topic were summarized to give perspective on how they achieve results with respect to research, safety and engineering design for the project. The Committee and staff discussed how medians assist in movement and safety as well as, widths and elements of sidewalks, bicycle lanes, intersections and median turn. Clarity on ROW needs was expressed with regard to City Council's direction to purchase the ROW necessary for the project:

- Between 228<sup>th</sup> Ave SE and 225<sup>th</sup> Ave SE staff will work to obtain 84 feet of overall width as well as determine what it may cost to obtain an additional 12 feet on the south side to accommodate an additional west bound lane to potentially alleviate back-ups off of 228<sup>th</sup> Ave SE.
- Between 224<sup>th</sup> Ave SE and 218<sup>th</sup> Ave SE staff will work to obtain 72 feet of overall ROW width.

STCA's involvement on the South end provided by Steve Leniszewski. Wider opening at 221<sup>st</sup>-222<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE recommended by council. No opposition to keeping the medians uniform in size. Peter Debolt introduced a question for Council referencing 222<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE through 218<sup>th</sup> Ave SE in considering future adoption of an ordinance limiting future expansion limiting movements to right turn in and out of that location.

City Engineer, Andrew Zagars recaps the developers' potential to modify driveway access and other studies that will impact final scope of project. Irrigation is recommended even if not utilized immediately. At 65% design stage, input from property owners will be utilized on how to best accommodate driveways. Cost will be assessed prior to any relocating or rebuilding of driveways to consolidate access points. SE 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Main Street should be taken into consideration when and if the application is made showing such a roadway as this will likely divert traffic from the project.

The SE 4<sup>th</sup> - Street Project will be revisited at the next Transportation Committee meeting to discuss the most efficient way to accommodate volumes on the project.

**Public Comment:**

Richard Moran expressed concern that the options given at the open house was not conducive to the considerations of impact to the City as a whole. He believes a slowdown of the project are in order and the public should be recalled to provide public involvement. Mr. Moran asks what timeline is set for the project.

Paul Stickney: Question: At current PM Peak (PMP), how long does it takes cars to go through? Is there a big loss of time?

Summary of timeline presented via the Technical Memorandum Draft. Peter Debolt answers questions regarding PMP travel times:

- Table comparisons provided and shows EB traffic takes 2 minutes; WB traffic takes 1.6 minutes
  - Less traffic time WB due to crossing threshold of intersection with no signal to impede traffic.
  - Remaining roads assumes current build out on zoning times through the year 2035.

Director Steve Leniszewski brings perspective on grant eligibility extension. Jeopardy of grant loss would impact eligibility if work has not started by summer 2017. Traffic counts provided to Committee on travel times through corridor on a 24-hour summary basis. Peak hour vs. average is 10% of total traffic volumes.

**Next Meeting:**

Friday, July 20th, 2016, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

**Topics for Next Meeting:**

- SE 4<sup>th</sup> Street Next Steps
  - Sahalee Way
  - Issaquah-Fall City Road
  - Public Works Standards
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- General Project Updates

**Future Meeting Topics:**

- Allocation of Transportation Program Funds (ongoing)
  - Non-Motorized Transportation Projects (2017)
  - Sidewalk Projects (2017)
  - Intersection and Safety Improvements (2017)
  - Neighborhood CIP (2017)
  - Street Lighting Program (2017)
  - School Zone Safety Improvements (2017)
  - Managing Construction Delays on Eastlake Sammamish Parkway
- ITS System Update (end of July – TBD)
- Trails, Bikeways and Paths Plan Update (non-motorized planning)
- Public Process for Transportation Projects (early 2017)
- Circulator Bus

**Meeting Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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