

Meeting Minutes
City of Sammamish Transportation Committee
Friday, September 16th – 9:30 a.m.
Executive Briefing Room 111- Sammamish City Hall

Called to Order:

Committee Chair Tom Odell called the meeting to order at 9:30am

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

Committee Members Absent: None

Other Council Members Present: Don Gerend (Mayor)

Staff Present: Jessi Bon, Deputy City Manager
Steve Leniszewski, Public Works Director
Andrew Zagars, City Engineer
Jed Ireland, Senior Project Engineer
Michelle Martin, Administrative Assistant (Recording Secretary)

Others Present: Paul Stickney (Citizen)
Jesse Thompson (Perteet)

Opening Comment – Chairman Odell:

- Meeting commenced with the approval of Minutes.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

- September 2nd, 2016

Steve Leniszewski began the discussion with a brief update on Inglewood Hill Road, ITS/traffic, and Issaquah Fall City Road Projects.

▪ **Project Updates:**

- Inglewood Hill Road construction – C/O
 - 40% complete; on schedule.
- ITS / traffic
 - Since the last update to the Transportation Committee, one citizen complaint was received on the signal at 228th/SE 10th regarding being stopped on 228th without side street traffic from SE 10th. The system was checked and reviewed for historical date, but couldn't find a problem with the ITS system. Most likely it was caused by a pedestrian unintentionally activating the pedestrian signal without crossing, or by a car that was parking in the signal detection zone in MOQ parking lot.
 - Now that school is back in session, a new ITS coordination timing plan to accommodate school traffic has been programmed. Staff has added more time for left turns along 228th.
 - Staff will continue monitoring the new timing plan and will make adjustments if necessary. After giving sometime to allow school traffic patterns to stabilize, staff is

planning to conduct another travel time and delay study on 228th and some of the side streets.

- Staff are in the process of conducting the citywide Flashing Yellow Left Turn Arrow feasibility study.
 - Issaquah Fall-City Road (IFCRd):
 - Questions posed with respect to the intersection of IFCRd and the Eastridge Church parcel:
 - What is the difference in area and per foot cost between the roundabout the City proposed vs. the roundabout proposed by the Church? The plan presented shows approximately 7,000 square feet of area needed x \$20 per square foot. Removal of trees will add to construction cost. Total projected cost difference is approximately \$200,000.
 - As this project is Federalized and will be processed according to the Federal processes we will use a 3rd party agent for the procurement of ROW.
 - The school is agreeable with having the roundabout at IFCRd & 247th at the entrance to Pacific Cascade middle school.
 - The pedestrian crossing was cited as a concern for the school. We believe we have mitigated that with a crossing away from the roundabout coincident with the middle entrance to the school.
 - SE 4th Street:
 - Andrew Zagars gave a brief summary of the updated analysis of SE 4th modelling for the Town Center to include the Main Street connection. The model assumes residents of the town center will use SE 4th Street at its worst case scenario (???)
 - New modelling will be presented at a later date
 - The need to go from 3 lanes to 4 lanes was discussed.
 - estimated \$5 million above current cost for the additional lane. Those cost considerations to be refined after further study.
 - Suggestion made to plug STCA's configuration based on the new pre-application plan received by the City for the STCA's Town Center project into model. Committee requested a new model run with the new assumptions by the next meeting. Andrew Zagars was able to confirm that the review will be completed prior to the next committee meeting.
 - Sahalee Way:
 - Jed Ireland provided information on next steps on design concepts on the project.
 - ITS conduit, median island design, timing, overhead lighting, bus pullouts and shelters (may share with the Microsoft Connector), adding enhanced pedestrian crossings If comfortable with prelim design, will set 3rd open house for public review;
 - Schedule project for council approval after 3rd open house.
 - The current design utilizes an 8 ft. median throughout the corridor – approximate cost of the project is \$16 million.
 - Discussion re continuation of the sidewalk from NE 36th – 37th on the east side in this section.
 - Discussion of the pros and cons of varied sized 4ft and 8ft medians
 - Next open house (#3) is tentatively set for October 18th, 2016 (later changed to the 19th)
 - Issaquah Fall City Road – Next Open House is proposed for January
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- City staff propose to show concepts that should be at the 30% design stage
 - Eastside Transportation Partnership technology forum (December)
 - Future Issaquah-Fall City discussions
 - PW Standards
 - **Other:** Request from Committee for staff to keep public apprised of Issaquah and Redmond City projects in order to update website advisory of traffic impacts to Sammamish drivers.

Public Comment: Paul Stickney made a comment that he intends to send 1-page written synopsis of data driven transportation concerns and believes the city should consider a needs analysis (Car trips vs. transit) to determine customer need based on locality within the City. Mr. Stickney believes the demographic data can serve as an educated data driven assumption of customer need for transit in getting around in Sammamish and to and from the Plateau. The Committee agreed that the information would be helpful. Statistically valid survey costs were discussed for contracting similar to what the Parks Department has itemized within their budget. The concept of utilizing best practices for statically valid surveys will be reviewed for future transportation concerns.

Next Meeting:

Friday, October 7th, 9:30-11:30 am

Meeting Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm
