

Active Transportation Committee
(formerly Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee)



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Date: Thursday, September 8, 2016
Time: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Location: Sloat Conference Room
Atrium Building, 99 W. 10th Ave
Eugene, OR 97401 (Enter from the back alley off 10th Ave)

BPAC Members in Attendance: Steve Bade, Vivian Schoung, Eliza Kashinsky, Susan Stumpf, Bob Passaro, Allen Hancock, Mike DeLuise, Alpha Wilson, , Seth Sadofsky

BPAC Members Absent: Amy Harter, Brian Johnson, Joel Krestik, Bob Beals, Shane MacRhodes, Kelsey Moore

Staff in Attendance: Lee Shoemaker, Bret Smith (LTD), Tim Simon (LTD)

Members of the Public: Josh Kaskinsky, Connie Beyland, Amy Klarup, Sue Wolling, Jerry Hooten

Notes

1. Open Meeting

2. Public Comment (5:30-5:40)

Sue Wolling stated that she is a member of the City of Eugene's Sustainability Commission and members are working on their work plan. She encouraged ATC members to stay in touch with the Sustainability Commission members. She said she is also a member of the Street Repair Review Panel and the members will doing work on a future bond measure in the coming year. She also encouraged ATC to communicate with Street Repair Review Panel members.

3. Traffic Calming (5:40-5:50)

Action Requested: Presentation and Questions

- Presenter: Chris Henry
- <http://www.eugene-or.gov/1729/Traffic-Calming>

Chris Henry gave an overview of the traffic calming program and information about traffic calming projects that are underway. Chris said there are \$30,000 in general funds to implement traffic calming projects each year. He said that the traffic calming program is a citizen driven process and begins with a petition to demonstrate that there is consensus that there is a speeding problem on their street. Neighborhood organizations may also request that a street be studied to determine if it qualifies for traffic calming. Chris said that staff are currently working on traffic calming proposals for Crest Drive near Lincoln, Polk Street between 24th Avenue and 28th Avenue, and 24th Avenue between Chambers and Friendly streets. He said that a community meeting is scheduled for October 19th for the Polk Street and 24th Avenue traffic

calming proposals. To qualify for traffic calming more than 50 percent of the vehicles are traveling at or above the speed limit, the 85th percentile speed is at least 7 miles per hour over the speed limit (except on bike boulevards, adjacent to parks, adjacent to schools or in the vicinity of designated school crossings where the 85th percentile should be at least 5 miles per hour over the speed limit), and the average daily traffic (ADT) volume is at least 600 vehicles per day. Chris said that in the past, traffic calming techniques included chicanes, bumps, and curb extensions but traffic calming techniques in Eugene have evolved to allow for new tools that help reduce speeding traffic while maintaining access for emergency vehicles on some of our more heavily traveled neighborhood streets. After speed cushions were installed on Minda Drive average speeds dropped 3-4 mph. Other traffic calming tools included the citizen radar program and Eugene Police traffic enforcement. In response to a question from Steve, Chris said that he provides traffic enforcement contact information and shares citizen speeding complaints with the traffic enforcement. Chris shared information on the pace car concept where prudent motor vehicle driver sets the speed limit. In response to a question, Chris said a speed cushion costs approximately \$4,000.

4. Approve August 11, 2016 Meeting Summary Notes (5:50-5:55)

Action Requested: Approve Meeting Notes

Meeting notes were approved unanimously.

5. Lane Transit District September 18, 2016 Service Changes and 2017 Proposed West Eugene Service Redesign (5:55-6:20)

Action Requested: Presentation and Feedback

- Presenter: Tim Simon LTD
- <https://www.ltd.org/2016-fall-service-changes-take/>
- <https://www.ltd.org/2017-west-eugene-service-redesign/>

Tim Simon said additional service is being added effective September 18th. Specific improvements include:

- EmX and Route 11 will run on a 15 minute schedule on Sundays, doubling service frequency
- Route 66 and 67 will run every 15 minutes most of the day on weekdays, doubling service frequency
- Thirteen routes will run one hour later on Sundays with most final trips departing at 8:30 p.m.
- Route 33 serving south Eugene area will be extended to increase coverage in South Eugene, adding Woodfield Station Shopping Center and Amazon Station to the route

Tim encouraged people to go to the LTD web site for more information.

Tim provided ATC members with information on the proposed West Eugene Service Redesign which is scheduled to be implemented in the fall of 2017. In conjunction with the start of West Eugene EmX, LTD is redesigning existing transit service throughout the West Eugene area to

leverage the new, frequent service. A series of proposed concepts have been designed to enhance connectivity and efficiency surrounding the West Eugene EmX project and LTD has begun conversations with the community to get feedback on these plans.

Benefits of the West Eugene Redesign:

- EmX will be the backbone of West Eugene transit service, providing 10 minute service during peak travel times from Randy Pape Beltline to downtown Eugene along W. 11th, Garfield, 6th and 7th
 - EmX will reduce traffic congestion, maintain or reduce travel times and improve traffic conditions for cars, bicycles and buses along the route
 - Redesign allows for enhanced transit connectivity in West Eugene, developing more of a grid system and creating transfer points outside of downtown
 - Redesign will simplify routing, reduce overlapping service and provide more direct routing to major destinations
 - Increased capacity, including for people using mobility devices. With a limit of two mobility devices per vehicle, more frequency means more opportunities.
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- Tim provided details on the proposed changes from the LTD web site for routes 32, 36, 40, 41, 43, 44, 76, 78, and 93. He said the proposed changes will be the same or better than the current service. Tim said that LTD is taking comments on the proposed changes between now and March and encouraged everyone to go to web page <https://www.ltd.org/2017-west-eugene-service-redesign/> and provide comments to LTD staff.

Allen said he was pleased that LTD was increasing frequency on some routes as that is a very important element to get people to use public transit.

In response from a question from the audience, Tim said to contact Becky Taylor at Lane County to discuss bus service to Mapleton and Florence.

6. Point2point Program Services (6:20-6:45)

Action Requested: Presentation and Questions

- Presenter: Tracy Ellis Point2point
- <https://www.ltd.org/point2point/>

Tracy Ellis gave an overview of the Point2point program. She said that Point2point works with many partners including the Transportation Options Advisory Committee to reduce drive alone trips and improve transportation options for people. She said she works with many employers and individuals to provide information on options that are available. She said that they have an extensive outreach program and staff table at many events throughout the year.

Tracy said staff will be providing bike lights on September 28th at Kesey Square from 4-6 p.m. and September 30th at the Springfield Farmers Market from 4-7 p.m.

Tracy provided an overview of the following Point2point programs;

- **Carshare**
Enterprise Carshare has 7 locations in Eugene and 1 in Springfield (truck) and at the University of Oregon for students faculty and staff.

Zipcar has five locations in Eugene that are available to the University of Oregon and the community.
- **Carpool/vanpool**
People can find carpool partners by registering with drivelessconnect.com for all trips on a regular or occasional basis.

A vanpool is a group of 5 to 15 people who regularly travel to work together (at least 20 miles or more roundtrip) in a comfortable van. Typically, riders pay a monthly fare, while drivers may ride at a discounted rate in exchange for driving and maintaining the van. Valley VanPool is a collaboration of Cascades West Rideshare, Cherriots Rideshare, and Point2point at Lane Transit District. There are 50 vanpools under this program with 17 in the Eugene/Springfield area. There are 30,000 rides per year.
- **Transit**
Information is provided on all of LTD bus routes as well as Amtrak, Bolt Bus, Point, Greyhound and other service providers.
- **School Solutions**
The **Schoolsolutions** program provides families with fun, safe, and healthy ways to get to school through carpool, walking, biking, and transit. Point2point partner with the Eugene-Springfield Safe Routes to School Program to help promote walking and biking to school.
- **Business Solutions**
Point2point helps both employer and employee find the programs that help them connect in an alternative way other than driving alone. Point2point works with employers, employee transportation coordinators and individuals on all of the transportation options that are available. The Business Commute Challenge is help during the 3rd week of May. The Drive Less Challenge will begin on October 1st and includes all trips not just work trips. Tracy provided information on the Emergency Ride Home program.
- **Smart Trips**
Tracy said the Springfield Smart Trips program was recently finished.

7. Subcommittee Reports (6:45-7:05)

Action Requested: Information Share

The Infrastructure Committee discussed the Tuscon bike boulevard report. On-street parking was removed was one of the tools used. The Springfield Daisy Street project has a lot of bike boulevard features. Allen said there needs to be more buy-in if neighborhood greenways are to be implemented. The North East Livable Streets project will be implemented in 2018. There were suggestions to consider pedestrian scramble crossings at Hilyard/E. Amazon, Delta Highway at the end of the East Bank Path, and at Coburg/Oakway. The infrastructure committee their outreach to neighborhoods, tableing events, and bike parking guide. Mayor Piercy will be one of the judges for the Beautiful Bikes Pageant.

8. Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Funding Update (7:05-7:15)

Action Requested: Information Share

- Presenter: Lee Shoemaker

Lee said that the Federal Highway Administration that the Eugene-Springfield MPO area is eligible to receive CMAQ funds. ODOT is reviewing the statewide the statewide program and has started a process with stakeholders on how the funds will be distributed. The Oregon Transportation Commission will make the final determination.

9. Information Share (7:15-7:30)

Action Requested: Information Share

- Eliza said that the Mayor's Forum on the South Willamette Area Planning is September 19th at 6 p.m. at South Eugene High School. She thought in general that the people opposed to the South Willamette Street Plan but supported the Envision Eugene goals. She said there is a recommendation for mid-level goals and she is hoping to get ATC support of the letter she distributed via e-mail.
- Bob Passaro suggested a Northeast Livable Streets bike ride.
- Allen is organizing a walking tour of the river path from 5th and High to Autzen Stadium Path. He suggested an op-ed article on transportation and livability. He announced the no motor vehicle days at Crater Lake on September 17th and 24th. He said he watched a 1st mile-last mile transit webinar.
- Mike encouraged ATC members to got to the Beautiful Bikes Pageant web site.
- Alpha said Shane met with the Churchill High School principal about Safe Routes to School and there is a Community meeting on October 12th at 6:30 p.m.

10. Adjourn

Future Agenda Topics

- Bike Theft – to be determined
- Moving Ahead - to be determined
- Vision Zero – as needed
- Pedestrian-Bicycle Pavement Bond Measure Projects – as needed
- Community Design Guide – to be determined
- Automobile Parking Requirements – to be determined
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Strategic Plan – to be determined
- Lane Transit District Annual Route Review - to be determined
- Traffic Enforcement/Citations – to be determined
- Improved Crash Data/Traffic Enforcement – to be determined
- Development Code – to be determined
- Pedestrian-Bicycle 101 – regular agenda topic
- Parks and Recreation System Plan – to be determined

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