

Eugene Active Transportation Committee

Date: Thursday, July 9, 2020
Time: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Location: Virtual Meeting



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Attendance: Bob Blyth, Josh Kashinsky, Allen Hancock, Robbie Dow, Nick Alviani, Marina Herrera, Steve Abbott. Pete Knox, Daniel Wilson, Grace Kaplowitz, Andrea Plesnarski

Absent: Julie Daniel,

Staff: Lee Shoemaker, Shane Rhodes

Public: Vicky Mello, Charlie Loeb, Sue Wolling, Webb Sussman

Agenda

1. Open Meeting - Meeting Coordination (5:30-5:40)

Shane Rhodes

2. Public Comment (5:40-5:50)

Webb Sussman shared his concerns about missing sidewalk segments. He said he has had to walk in the streets and this is especially a safety issue for children and people with disabilities. He stated that he was struck by a car six years ago when he had to walk in the street. He offered two funding options for sidewalk installation: bond measure and bicycle-pedestrian funding. Bob Blyth said the committee members are aware of issue of sidewalk gaps. Allen Hancock said that he is a member of the street repair committee and bond measure funding is available for missing sidewalk segments but the funds are limited.

Sue Wolling shared information about a New York Times article about banning cars in certain locations and repurposing roadways into new space for people to walk, ride bikes, or transit. Other cities such as Paris and London are experiencing huge increasing in biking. Why not in Eugene? She said we should be able to experience large increases in biking if we take this kind of action. Bob said he also read this article and asked Lee to share the article with committee members.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/07/09/opinion/ban-cars-manhattan-cities.html>

Duncan Rhodes told the committee that he really likes the virtual meetings and suggested we can get more people to attend these virtual meetings if we market the meetings more.

3. Approve June 11, 2020 Meeting Summary Notes (5:50-5:55)

Action Requested: Approve Meeting Notes

Notes approved.

4. Climate Action Plan 2.0 (5:55-6:40)

Action Requested: Presentation and Discussion

Presenter: Chelsea Clinton

<https://www.eugene-or.gov/4284/Climate-Action-Plan-20>

Chelsea Clinton presented an overview of the history of the Climate Action Plan from the council adoption of Climate Recovery Ordinance to the recently released draft Climate Action Plan 2.0: A Roadmap for Eugene's Climate Journey.

She said that the plan is divided into data, actions, and building capacity.

What's New

- More actions and details
- Additional topics e.g. housing, transportation and urban forestry
- More data
- Community engagement
- Triple bottom line analysis

Chelsea review greenhouse gas targets from baseline year 2017 to 2050. She shared model results for business as usual and Climate Reduction Ordinance emissions goals. She provided information about Eugene's sources of greenhouse emissions with transportation generation 53%.

Chelsea said a commitment to action, not aspirations. She covered the guiding policy plans and said there are 115 actions for Eugene, 25 state and federal, and 41 equity panel recommendations.

Chelsea discussion emissions generated in Eugene and outside of Eugene but the CRO is focused on local emissions.

CAP 2.0 includes three chapters on community engagement: Equity Panel, Eugene Climate Collaborative, and Mayor's CRO Ad Hoc Work Group. She covered community ideas for CAP 2.0. Some of the transportation ideas focused on:

- Transportation System Plan, Active Transportation, and Transit
- Compact Development
- Electric Vehicles
- Parking
- Reduced delivery trucks
- Airport and air travel

CAP 20 Next Steps

- July 13 Public Forum
- July 15 Council Work Session
- July 27 Public Forum
- July 29 City Council Work Session

Daniel asked how does CAP 2.0 fit into global efforts. Chelsea shared comments from Councilor Pryor who said that we can count on others to reduce emissions, we can be the leaders. Show other communities how Eugene lowered emissions per capita.

Andrea asked how are you going assess progress and how often? Chelsea said mainly in the annual report but not all actions will be measured each year as resources will be used wisely.

Allen asked for more information about the transportation actions. Chelsea said there are eight transportation actions Shane was a big help in developing them. Shane said implementing the Transportation System Projects is a key action.

Steve complimented all of the good work that took place to develop this plan. He suggested a focus on transportation oriented development. He said Transportation Action 4 is to develop a method for measuring walking, biking, and driving. He suggested finding out barriers to using active transportation.

Daniel said that some actions don't seem measurable e.g. encouraging companies to use electric vehicles.

Grace said we should also look for opportunities to increase active transportation use. Chelsea said the resources and budget cuts can be barriers but she sees that the CARES Act is a opportunity for federal funding.

Bob said having three different waste management increases the number of truck use in Eugene and a franchise agreement to allow for only one company to provide service or to divide Eugene into three zones with one provider in each zone.

5. Bike Share/Scooter Share Update (6:40-7:00)

Action Requested: Information Share

Presenter: Shane Rhodes

Shane said that the City of Eugene took over management on July 1st. Working on the details of transferring bike share from Uber. The temporary staff have been to take care of logistics such as bike rebalancing and cleaning. A request for proposal will be released soon to find a new bike share operator. Staff will bring back to topic to the committee in August.

Josh asked if Eugene received the kiosks they were supposed to receive. Shane said the kiosks would allow people to get a bike without a smart phone. Shane said Eugene was able to get some assets in the system transfer.

Steve asked what is the bike share market profile like these days. Shane said it's evolving and there aren't models with local government operating the system. May change to a non-profit model.

Pete asked will happen if Eugene can't find an operator for this system. Shane said that no decision has been made to that scenario.

Allen asked for a ridership update. Shane said bike share use has declined, especially due to college students not being in town. In general, the decline went from about 300 bikes a day to 90. Allen asked if bike share bikes could be placed in the area of Open Streets. Shane said that is being considered and most likely will occur at Open Streets events.

Bob asked if bike share bikes are being sanitized. Shane said staff are sanitizing bikes when they are being rebalanced.

6. Eugene Open Streets (6:40-7:00)

Action Requested: Update and Discussion

Presenter: Shane Rhodes

Shane said an Administrative Order is being developed to allow Open Streets.

7. Project/Program Updates (7:00-7:20)

Action Requested: Information Share

Presenter: Shane Rhodes

Shane said the South Willamette Street project will start July 1st and will continue until the fall where it will pause until next spring. It is a big project that will have impacts to all modes. People should consider an alternate route. Amazon Parkway will also have construction impacts. Shane encouraged people to support businesses during construction and use active transportation.

Andrea asked about the progress of the 13th Avenue bikeway project. Shane said it is scheduled to be completed in September but it is a little ahead of schedule at this time.

Allen asked about the crossing on Amazon Parkway because he noticed that people are at the Kidsports site. Shane said staff have been given temporary occupancy for a limited number of people but they are required to build the crosswalk. A new bridge over Amazon Creek will be need for the channel project scheduled in 2024.

Shane said a detour will be needed at the 8th/Hilyard intersection but the routing hasn't been decided.

Duncan Rhodes said he heard that trucks will be parking in the bike lanes during the soft path construction. Shane said he will follow-up.

8. Information Share (7:20-7:30)

Josh suggested a discussion of a potential new advocacy subcommittee be added to the August ATC agenda. Bob said communication is part of the Programs subcommittee. Shane said he will get the Programs subcommittee meeting again.

Shane said the Metropolitan Policy Committee approved several Eugene 2022-2024 projects:

- 8th Avene Streetscape and Bikeway: Lincoln to Mill
- 18th and Hilyard Intersection Improvements
- Division Avenue Roundabouts - River Road to Lone Oak
- Franklin Blvd. Transformation
- Hunsaker Lane Complete Streets Improvements - River Rd. To Taito
- Lincoln Street Protected Bike Lanes – 13th to 5th
- Oakway Road Protected Bike Lanes – Coburg Road to Cal Young
- Smart Trips – New Movers and Mobility Options
- Vision Zero Intersection Study
- West Bank Path Extension – Echo Hollow to Admiral

9. Adjourn 7:30

Future Agenda Topics

- ATC 2020 EUG Strategic Plan Work Items
- Transit Tomorrow
- Transportation Options 2020 Events
- Bicycle Parking Code Adoption
- Difficult Intersections
- Biking-Walking System Gaps
- Scooters/Micromobilty
- EUG 2022 and Active Transportation Coordination
- Shared Use Path Safety
- Tactical Urbanization

- Driver Education; Oregon Friendly Drivers; Safe Lane Coalition
- Temporary Pedestrian Access Routes
- Roundabout Strategy
- Transportation Demand Management Requirements
- Periodic Updates – Vision Zero; Moving Ahead; Bond Measure Projects;
- Central Eugene In Motion; 13th Avenue Protected Bikeway; Legislative

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