

Eugene Active Transportation Committee Notes



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Date: Thursday, March 10, 2022
Time: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Location: Virtual

The March 10, 2022 Eugene Active Transportation Committee meeting will be held as a [webinar](#) and livestreamed on [YouTube](#).

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Agenda

1. Open Meeting (5:30-5:35)

Presenter: Shane Rhodes

2. Public Comment (5:35-5:45)

- Rob - Waiting on Quite Zone project. Construction to start later this year. 13th & Alder will be there at the next traffic operations coordination meeting.
- Shane – 13th & Alder triggered by inductive loops/magnetic, others are video detection, so most complicated intersection. Working to improve that area.
Path on Coburg on west side; light at intersection shows red for peds and green for cars because there are two signal with phases for that section and traffic operations had to chose one of them to run the ped/bike phase. Need to see if it's possible to do it with both?
- Rob - Conducting a study of Oakway to Ferry St Bridge later
- Sue – what is the best way to express concerns – ATC, write directly, immediate issues there is an app to report <https://ibike.eugene-or.gov>, or 541. 682.4800

3. Approve February 10, 2022, Meeting Summary Notes (5:45-5:50)

Action Requested: Approve Meeting Notes

- Motion to approve by Andrew, second by Anne, approved

4. 30th Avenue Corridor Presentation (5:50-6:10)

Action Requested: Presentation and Discussion

Presenter: Becky Taylor

Reviewed slide presentation.

- 100 survey responses with mixed results. Lane Co led project.
- Collaborative project with City, LCC, LTD, County, ODOT, City of Spfd

- Grant to conduct planning effort, to include public comment. Hired technical expertise from Toole Design and Cogito
- Purpose to improve safety and increase active transportation in this corridor
- 2003-2019 - 88 crashes, four people died (two while walking, one cycling), 55 injured (three biking and one while walking)
- Coordinating with Parks – more efficient access to park area off 30th
- Interim design option for a short-term solution. Replace one travel lane for downhill vehicles, (keep two lanes on uphill for passing safety) with a wider shoulder on the south side, separated with a concrete wall for people to walk and bike between Agate and Forest Blvd
- Concerns focused on fast moving bikes downhill sharing space with slower moving walkers and removing a lane for vehicles. Trying to find solutions for those concerns
- Next phase is the Rebuild Road and Intersection Design. Options would introduce roundabouts and one lane in each direction
- Next steps – evaluate comments, develop responses, email interested parties, share on website. Can email at becky.taylor@lanecountyor.gov to be added as an interested party. 541.682.6932
- Final public open house (summer), future public hearing, formal decision by Board of County Commissioners (winter)

Comments –

- Alan – could you separate uphill/downhill bike/ped paths
- Josh – would like to see benefits of roundabouts highlighted in materials
- Andrew – encourage use of solid barriers, not just a curb.
- Willie – wildlife crossing; will there be any overpasses for wildlife. Shared use path space an issue, with fast bikes, slow walkers.
- Rob – City is looking at a redesign of City owned space, near Agate area

5. Pavement Bond Measure Update (6:10-6:20)

Action Requested: Information Share and Discussion

Presenter: Rob Inerfeld

Information shared before; this is an update.

- Public polling, Human Rights Commission presentation scheduled
- Reviewed potential bond scenarios from Pavement Preservation as the focus to more balanced scenarios with more funds dedicated for walking/biking, safety and neighborhood livability.
- Reviewed the plan - total project costs, completed project cost, funded but not yet constructed and remaining funding.
- 20% of \$147 million cost attributed to walking and biking

Comments:

- Mary – is a \$248 million gap a lot? Rob – identified needs but not all will be addressed
- Josh – isn't the TSP long term plan? Rob – yes, this is a 20-year plan adopted in 2017
- Sue – if approved, will the timeline be adjusted, or will it take more time to complete all these projects.
- Andrew – the planning/background work has taken the majority of time. Once funded, projects should move fwd more quickly

- Allen – What % of the bike/ped project funding came from pavement bond funding vs other sources? Would be good to know Rob: approx. .25-33% of the funding is coming from pavement bond funding.

6. **Transportation Plans Progress Overview (6:20-6:40)**

Action Requested: Information Share and Discussion

Presenter: Rob Inerfeld

- Shane – update on Transportation Options strategic plan 2017-2021. Need to review what was completed and still needs to be completed. Need to work with ATC on next phase of plan
- Rob – State will have more requirements on climate friendly & equitable communities, how the City completes their TSP.
- Vision Zero update next meeting
- Rob – City needs to talk more about sidewalk upgrades & maintenance to help us fill gaps
- Staffing update – two-three new planners will be hired, community engagement position posted, Jenette Kime added TO team with Shane and Cas.
- Sue would like a dashboard -has there been any movement in increasing active transportation, not just how many projects have been completed?

7. **2022 Subcommittee Structure (6:40-7:10)**

Action Requested: Information Share

Presenter: Sue Wolling and Mary Christensen

- Developed plan on how to organize this committee
- Reviewed proposal based on input from committee
- Focus on Eugene Climate Action Plan 2.0, Vision Zero Action Plan, Transportation System Plan. Want to hear more about where we are doing. ADDED Move EUG Plan
- Values – understand the importance of equity and inclusion, and collaboration. Integrate them with more intention and visibility in our work and planning
- Work plan – co-chairs with member input, keep a visual accounting of projects and goals
- Andrea set up ATC Google Drive
- Record of Resolutions
- Committee agreed to plan so far
- Subcommittee restructure Infrastructure, Programs & Education and Communications.
- Reviewed proposed ATC subcommittees and possible topics
- Spent time signing up members on subcommittees

8. **Willamette Street Walk Through Report Back (7:10-7:20)**

Action Requested: Information Share

Presenter: ATC Members

- Andrea/Mary reported back on walkthrough with Reed
- Felt walkthrough helped them be better advocates for change and appreciated the improvements made.
- It still feels very auto centric and provided some recommendations and would like a response on the recommendations to close the loop
- Would like a review of signal at 28th & Willamette – seems like the light is too long for peds to cross

- Allen felt neighborhood improvements could be reviewed and added to their report
- Papa tested that corridor on his bike and thanked City Staff on the improvements. Some issues with the “jogs” in the path
- Willie had a challenge with the trailer on his bike getting caught at the bike lane bump outs near 20th & 19th. City will continue to monitor those improvements.

9. Information Share/Project Updates (7:20-7:30)

Presenter: All

- Sue - Tue, April 5, all day Active Trans Experts Workshop have three slots – let Sue know right away
- Shane – agenda is being set for that workshop now
- Rob – OTC is deciding how to spend \$400 million of infrastructure funding and taking public comment until March 25th. Reviewing four scenarios and one will put the majority of the funding into active trans. Encourages people to comment. Would like to see the state put more money into the Oregon Community Paths grant program.
- Climate Revolutions bike ride starts at Monroe Park at 1:00 on Sun, March 19

Adjourn 7:30

Chat Log

01:10:00 Andrew Martin: The new South Bank path is really awesome!

01:12:50 Duncan Rhodes: A survey we did in in 2021 in JWN shows that maybe 1-5% or so of our sidewalks are ADA compliant. We will repeat next year to explicitly look at ADA compliance. How are we EVER going to fix them all? Most homeowners do not have the resources to do so.

01:13:52 Mary Christensen: It’s so true, Duncan. There is a lot of interest from ATC members in sidewalk issues.

01:15:30 Josh Kashinsky: Sidewalks are currently the responsibility of the individual property owner. I would love to see a motivated citizen group lobby their city councilor(s) to change that dynamic.

01:16:32 Julie Daniel: I agree with you Josh. Making the homeowner or landlord responsible is a recipe for bad sidewalks.

01:17:30 Andrew Martin: I would support the city seeking a sidewalk bond to start addressing the issues. We would all benefit, not just the homeowner

01:17:40 Andrea Plesnarski: And the complication of street trees which can be under city purview. It would be great to see a holistic process to make sidewalks safe for everyone.

01:21:27 Duncan Rhodes: When do the webinars start up again @ 4th Floor of Wells-Fargo?

01:23:14 Anne Brown (she/her): ^I second Andrew’s comment about a sidewalk bond

01:24:06 Shane Rhodes: <https://www.lcog.org/thempo/page/bicycle-counts>

01:24:25 Shane Rhodes: <https://www.lcog.org/thempo/page/traffic-count-data>

01:25:04 Allen Hancock: I have an innovative approach to sidewalk funding that is too complicated to share in the chat, but I will e-mail it to the committee and would like to get your thoughts on it.

01:26:56 Sue Wolling: Thank you, Daniel and Andrea, for your help as the Steering Committee!

01:33:13 Shane Rhodes: <https://www.eugene-or.gov/2594/MoveEug-Active-Transportation-Strategy>

01:34:27 Shane Rhodes: And the most recent Five Year report: <https://www.eugene-or.gov/DocumentCenter/View/63805/Move-EUG-Five-Year-Report-2015-2020->

01:38:20 Andrea Plesnarski: I copied this Jamboard to the new Eugene ATC drive

01:41:04 Josh Kashinsky: I like the idea of some cross-pollination

01:41:35 Andrea Plesnarski: Me too -- I think getting to work with everyone over the year will be a lot more productive probably and more fun.

01:49:43 Duncan Rhodes: I would like to collaborate on a few topics

01:51:11 Sue Wolling: Infrastructure—please write your name in the chat!

01:51:23 Claressa Davis: I'm interested in the Infrastructure subcommittee

01:51:29 Josh Kashinsky: Josh - Infrastructure

01:51:37 Andrew Martin: Andrew for infrastructure

01:51:43 Anne Brown (she/her): Anne also for infrastructure

01:51:44 Papa Awori: Papa - Infrastructure

01:52:04 Willie Hatfield: infrastructure

01:52:26 Josh Mendez: infrastructure

01:52:40 Sue Wolling: Education and Programs—who wants this committee?

01:52:46 Justin Sandoval (He/Him): Justin -Education

01:52:48 Andrea Plesnarski: Andrea Programs

01:52:49 Michelle Bechtel: Michelle - Education and Programs

01:52:55 Josh Kashinsky: Shane, if High Street is already out for bid, where can people find the design documents? Are they in the lobby of PWE?

01:53:02 Allen Hancock: You can add me to infrastructure too.

01:53:06 Julie Daniel: Julie Education

01:53:36 Sue Wolling: Communications:

01:53:46 Shane Rhodes: @Josh- Let me check... maybe I misspoke on them being out. I know we were at 90% last month.

01:53:56 Allen Hancock: Allen: communications

01:54:04 Justin Sandoval (He/Him): I mean I would be here too... Justin

01:54:10 Andrew Martin: Andrew - communication

01:54:14 Daniel Takamori: Daniel - communication

01:54:52 Sue Wolling: Sue

01:55:52 Andrea Plesnarski: I can do that for education and programs for the first meeting

01:58:27 Anne Brown (she/her): Thanks to you both for organizing and providing direction!

02:07:26 Shane Rhodes: Info Share:
 Administrative Order for e-scooter share is out for comment. It closes on March 15th and we will then move the licensing stage, where we will offer one license.
<https://www.eugene-or.gov/520/Administrative-Order>

02:09:52 Josh Mendez: info share

02:10:51 Andrew Martin: City Council will be making a decision on an MovingAhead locally preferred alternative on Monday. LTD's Board will be making the same decision on Wednesday. There are a huge number of walking/biking projects in addition to the transit investments.

02:10:58 Allen Hancock: Is there an agenda for the event?

02:11:13 Josh Mendez: I am interest in going

02:11:22 Josh Kashinsky: Info Share: There's a fantastic project happening now that involves surveying all the bike parking in Eugene. Hope we can have a chance to talk about that at a future meeting.

02:11:28 Allen Hancock: ...I might be interested in attending.

02:11:41 Claressa Davis: Are you looking to fill the last slot? Because I'd be happy to go I'm just not sure if there are other people who are more interested/understanding the lay of the land

02:12:16 Mary Christensen: Climate Revolutions bike ride on Sunday! Meet at 1:00 Monroe Park. Riding to Hendrick's Park, will have a fire in fireplace and time to chat and enjoy nature!
02:12:29 Shane Rhodes: @Josh- Anne said she'd present on the Bike Parking Project (maybe next meeting)...
02:13:33 Anne Brown (she/her): @Shane - I can do that. Next month or May (likely depending on how long QC takes)
02:13:48 Allen Hancock: Rob, when is the OTC meeting?
02:14:50 John Quetzalcoatl Murray: Thank you everyone!

Future Agenda Topics

- PeaceHealth Rides Eugene Bike Share Update
- Construction Updates & Feedback: High Street Bikeway, 4th Avenue Bikeway
- Planning for Future Protected Bikeways
- Lane County Updates & Feedback: 30th Avenue Corridor, Bicycle Master Plan
- Active Transportation Strategy (MoveEUG) Plan Update & ATC Work Items
- Eugene Bicycle Parking Code Adoption
- OR2022 World Athletic Championships & Active Transportation Coordination
- LCOG Safe Lane Coalition: Tactical Urbanization
- LCOG Safe Lane Coalition: Driver Education & Oregon Friendly Drivers

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