



**CITY OF AUBURN
TRANSPORTATION
ADVISORY BOARD**

March 9, 2021

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Waylon Menzia called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. held virtually and telephonically.

Per Governor Inslee's Emergency Proclamation 20-05 and 20-28 et. seq. and Stay Safe-Stay Healthy, the City of Auburn is prohibited from holding in-person meetings at this time.

City of Auburn Resolution No. 5581, designates City of Auburn meeting locations for all Regular, Special and Study Session Meetings of the City Council and of the Committees, Boards and Commissions of the City as Virtual Locations until Washington's Governor authorizes local governments to conduct in-person meetings.

The link to the Virtual Meeting or phone number to listen to the Transportation Advisory Board Meeting is below. Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device.

<https://zoom.us/j/97460289635>

II. ROLL CALL (Sherwin)

Committee members present were Dennis Grad, Sarah Shaw, Pamela Gunderson (unexcused), Waylon Menzia, Peter Di Turi, Janette Miller, Michael Harbin, Steve Carstens, Riley Patterson, David Jensen. Also present during the meeting were: Public Works Director Ingrid Gaub, Assistant Director/City Engineer Jacob Sweeting, Senior Traffic Engineer James Webb, Senior Transportation Planner, Cecile Malik, and Office Assistant, Angie Sherwin.

III. MEETING PROTOCOLS (Malik)

Board Meeting Protocols for Zoom

Please keep you microphones muted.

Please keep your cameras turned on.

If you have questions or comments, or for motions, please use the raise hand feature.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. It was moved by David Jensen, and seconded Michael Harbin, that the Committee approve the Transportation Advisory Board minutes for December 08, 2020. Motion carried.

III. DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

A. General Update (Malik)

An overview of ongoing transportation projects and programs.

- The City updated streetlights with LED lights providing cost effectiveness and additional capability to control and monitor the system.
- The City is being considered for a grant by the WSDOT to add sidewalks on Auburn Way South from Howard Street to approximately the Muckleshoot Plaza Signal.
- There will be a new round a bout for the new Chinook Elementary being built on Auburn Way South. A coordination with the City, WSDOT and the Auburn School District.

- A new signal at 49th and Auburn Way North is now in operation. The signal was constructed by the developer for the Coopergate multi-family unit located south of 277th and east of Auburn Way North.
- Currently there are requests for vendor proposals for photo enforcement. Photo enforcement is subject to City Council approval. A vendor will be selected by the end of March 2021. The program would start approximately by the end of 2021 or at the beginning of 2022.
- Three vacant Transportation Advisory Board positions have been filled.
 - Christian Faltenberger, Chamber of Commerce – The Outlet Collection
 - Cheryl Rakes, Downtown Auburn Cooperative, formerly the Downtown Business Association
 - Cynthia Rapier, Green River Community College

B. Annual Workplan and future discussion topics (Malik)*

Each year the Transportation Division will develop an annual work plan for the upcoming year that will be utilized in the Transportation Advisory Board agenda setting. An overview of the items which will be presented to the board in 2021.

Discussion Topics:

- Transportation issues for transit riders (include Metro recent efforts and updates) (March)
- Transportation issues for disabled residents (include ADA transition plan & ADA projects prioritization/funding overview) (TBD)
- Transportation issues for pedestrians & bicyclists (include overview of Comprehensive Transportation Plan and Maps, projects prioritization and funding, other related programs) (TBD)
- Transportation issues for elementary, middle, and high school students + college students (include overview of safe routes to school efforts, and projects prioritization and funding) (TBD)

Staff Presentations:

- TIP update (March & June)
- Transit Update (March)
- Comprehensive Transportation Plan Update (June & September)
- SOS program and Arterial Preservation Program, funding, projects, and prioritization (June)
- Featured Capital Project (TBD)
- Significant other projects which include community events (TBD)

Additional Items:

- Rules of Procedure (June)
- TAB City Code update (September)
- Board Annual Report to the City Council (December)

C. Transportation Group Overview (Malik)*

A PowerPoint presentation reviewed the transportation programs and services.

- System Needs, Regulations, Policies
- Comprehensive Plan
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Capital Facilities Program (CFP)
- Bi-Annual Budget
- Local Street Preservation

- Arterial and Collector Street Preservation

D. Metro Transit Updates (Metro)*

Jeremy Fichter presented Metro's updates on the services changes, the future RapidRide I Line, COVID impacts, and recovery plan.

- Mobility Plan
 - New frequent routes
 - Other changes and services investments
- RapidRide I Line Update
 - Tier stations
- Service Restoration Planning
 - COVID impacts
 - COVID response
 - Service changes during COVID

E. Discussion Topic: Transit (Malik)*

Board member Shaw moderated the discussion with TAB members related to transit ridership. Topics that board members brought forward in the open discussion.

- Sound Transit parking garage status
- Regional express bus service/ Park and Ride
- High school students' public safety

F. 2022-2027 TIP Update (Webb)*

Discussion about the proposed update to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the years 2022-2027.

- Background Summary
- Summary of proposed amendments
- Additions
- Other modifications

Current status and next steps:

Staff will continue to develop the 2022-2027 TIP update. The Transportation Advisory Board and City Council comments will be addressed, and adoption is anticipated as follow the schedule below.

- March 9, 2021: First Transportation Advisory Board Discussion
- May 10, 2021: First Council Study Session
- June 1, 2021: Second Transportation Advisory Board Discussion
- June 7, 2021: Resolution to Schedule Public Hearing
- June 14, 2021: Second Council Study Session (If Required)
- June 21, 2021: Public Hearing & Resolution for Adoption

G. TAB Rules and Procedures (Malik)*

A discussion about the need for rules and procedures for the board. The draft was discussed, and the final document will be brought to the board for adoption at the June meeting.

H. Other Discussion Items

No items were brought forward.

IV. ADJOURNMENT –

There being no further business to come before the Transportation Advisory Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Approved this 1st day of June 2021.

Waylon Menzia
Chairman

Angie Sherwin
Engineering Services Office Assistant