



# STAFF REPORT

## CITY OF TUALATIN

APPROVED BY TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL  
Date 9/24/2012  
Recording Secretary M. Smith

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**THROUGH:** Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

**FROM:** Sara Singer, Deputy City Manager

**DATE:** 09/24/2012

**SUBJECT:** Approval of the Minutes for the Work Session and Meeting of September 10, 2012

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### ISSUE BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

The issue before the Council is to approve the minutes of the work session and meeting of September 10, 2012.

### RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully recommends that the Council adopt the attached minutes.

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**Attachments:** A - Work Session Minutes of September 10, 2012  
B - Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2012



**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION  
FOR SEPTEMBER 10, 2012**

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Present: Mayor Lou Ogden; Council President Monique Beikman; Councilor Wade Brooksby; Councilor Frank Bubenik; Councilor Joelle Davis; Councilor Ed Truax

Absent: Councilor Nancy Grimes

Staff Present: City Manager Sherilyn Lombos; City Attorney Sean Brady; Police Chief Kent Barker; Operations Director Dan Boss; Community Development Director Alice Rouyer; Community Services Director Paul Hennon; Finance Director Don Hudson; Deputy City Manager Sara Singer; Planning Manager Aquilla Hurd-Ravich; Information Services Manager Lance Harris; Associate Planner Cindy Hahn; Engineering Manager Kaaren Hofmann; Management Analyst Ben Bryant

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Work Session called to order at 5:03 p.m.

**2. TSP: Discussion of Refinement Areas #2**

City Manager Lombos introduced Theresa Carr from CH2M Hill and Alan Snook from DKS Associates who are the consultants working on the Transportation System Plan (TSP) Update. The consultants made a presentation regarding the remaining four Refinement Areas. These areas include the North/South Connectivity area, Tualatin-Sherwood Road, Boones Ferry Road, and Tualatin's Downtown Circulation.

A Transportation Summit is scheduled for September 20, 2012 for the public to provide additional input on the various Refinement Areas as well as the other projects to potentially be included in the final TSP. Refinement Areas which were forwarded to the Summit by a consensus from the Transportation Task Force, the Tualatin Planning Commission and the Tualatin Parks Advisory Committee include the following: Herman Road and Tualatin Road Options, Tualatin-Sherwood Road, Boones Ferry Road Corridor, 65th Avenue (3-lane and 5-lane options) and Downtown Connectivity. The Task Force has agreed to move forward over 130 projects and six Refinement Areas for final discussion at the Summit.

Council President Beikman presented a statement from the City of Tigard regarding the Hall Blvd. extension (North-South Connection). She stated that they have included this connection in their Transportation System Plan.

Public Comment:

Brian Wagener, Tualatin, OR: Mr. Wagener spoke on behalf of the Tualatin Riverkeepers. He stated that he is opposed to the Hall Blvd. Extension project because of the impact to the Wetlands. He said that the project would bring more traffic through a school zone and this would create additional congestion.

Christopher Nelson, Tualatin, OR: Mr. Nelson stated that he does not understand why the Mayor would approve the North-South Connectivity Area being forwarded to the Transportation Summit. He stated it is clear that this project is not desired by the community and it has had consistent opposition. He said that he is opposed to the Hall Blvd. Extension. He stated that it could cause increased traffic and pollution. This \$39 million road improvement would be antiquated from day one because two lanes on the Tualatin side would be met by five lanes on the Tigard side.

Connie Ledbetter, Tualatin, OR: Ms. Ledbetter explained that she is a member of the Tualatin Parks Advisory Committee and they voted against the Hall Blvd. Extension Project. She stated that she is against this project because the pollution and noise would have an impact on park users.

Kathy Newcomb, Tualatin, OR: Ms. Newcomb distributed a written copy of her comments to the City Council. She is opposed to the Hall Blvd. Extension Project. She stated that this connectivity is not consistent with the goals of project, and we do not want another regional arterial. These comments have been submitted in writing to be included in the record.

Delores Hurtado, Tualatin, OR: Ms. Hurtado explained that the price tag for the North-South extension project is extremely high. The Tualatin Greenway Trail serves many users and commuters, and installing a roadway adjacent to the trail would have a significant impact on trail users.

Toni Anderson, Tualatin, OR: Ms. Anderson explained that she is against the North-South Extension project. She said that she does not understand why the vote of TPARK would not be listened to because they represent the citizens.

Steve Titus, Tualatin, OR: Mr. Titus stated that he is opposed to the 65th Street Project. He explained that the Transportation Summit is 10 days away. He said that the City is going to speak to Lake Oswego, but there are no plans to speak with Rivergrove. He said we should not just be getting to them to ask how they would like the bridge.

Charlie Benson, Tualatin, OR: Mr. Benson stated that he has talked with many neighbors who are in support of the 65th Street project. He said this project would fix the issues at the intersection of 65th Street and Nyberg. He said the only concern that the residents have are the five-lanes between Nyberg and Sagert. He would prefer 3-lanes.

Linda Moholt, Tualatin, OR: Ms. Moholt said she is speaking as a resident of Fox Hill. She stated that she is very much in favor of the 65th Street project. She said this would be a great benefit for those trying to get on and off of I-5. She said North and South connectivity is needed. This connection would help the City east of I-5.

Mike Riley, Tualatin, OR: Mr. Riley explained that he is a proponent of North-South connectivity. He stated that in general, the more connections you have, the better off you are. The stretch between the Bridgeport and the Tualatin exits is highly used. Not everyone is opposed to this, and this adds to the general connectivity for the community to help address some of the traffic issues faced in Tualatin.

Kevin Ferrasci O'Malley, Tualatin, OR: Mr. Ferrasci O'Malley moved to Tualatin because they did not want to move to Beaverton due to traffic concerns. He stated that he would like to see travel time data presented at the Summit. He asked the Council to examine the pragmatic elements. He said we need to ask the consultants to look at connectivity issues.

Cheryl Dorman, Wilsonville, OR: Ms. Dorman said she was speaking on behalf of the Tualatin Chamber of Commerce. She said that the Chamber would like to see the North-South Connectivity go forward to the Transportation Summit for further public comment.

Mayor Ogden read Larry McClure's statements on the transportation system stating that they would not like to see any projects which have an impact on historical property be advanced to the summit. These comments have been submitted in writing to be included in the record.

Mayor Ogden asked what would happen once the projects are forwarded to the Summit. Theresa explained that there will be three key steps: the first would be coding the projects into Metro's Travel Demand Model, the second step will be to look at the whole system on a macro level, and then the third step would be to look at the system on a micro level and understanding how the projects would impact specific areas in Tualatin.

Mayor Ogden asked staff and the consultants if there would be a simulation of the different scenarios presented at the Transportation Summit. Alan Snook from DKS Associates responded that this would be possible. He explained that they can run various models to test different options.

Council President Beikman asked if there was consensus regarding 65th Street at the Task Force. Ms. Carr responded that there was consensus, but they asked about completing additional modeling to show what it would look like with three lanes versus five lanes.

Councilor Brooksby asked if the time allowed for the Transportation Summit would

help people to understand the big picture.

Councilor Truax joined the Work Session at 6:40 p.m.

Mayor Ogden said that he would be interested in seeing the modeling of all of the scenarios, the dollar amounts for the projects, and what types of funding sources could fund these types of projects.

Councilor Brooksby said he is concerned about the proposal of the Hall Blvd. Extension because it could bring too much traffic into town. He said he wants to understand that if they move it forward to the Summit, that it does not mean they cannot still remove it from the plan.

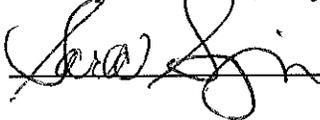
Councilor Davis said there are many reasons that the Hall Blvd. Extension should not move forward to the Summit. She said that the project will become the focus of the Summit, and people will not be discussing the other issues which need additional public input. She explained that this project does not meet the goals of the TSP update.

Council President Beikman said that she does not believe that this project is a good idea; however, she is also concerned that the City will be criticized for not doing enough public involvement. The Summit would be another touch point for the public to weigh in on the project, but it could also be the same group of the citizens who have opposed the connection in this area as the past.

The Council agreed they would finish discussion and deliberation on this item during the City Council meeting.

3. Linking Tualatin: Discussion and Follow-up about Next Steps in the Project  
Discussion postponed to a future meeting.
4. Council Meeting Agenda Review, Communications & Roundtable  
None.
5. **ADJOURNMENT**  
Work Session adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombas, City Manager



/ Sara Singer, Recording Secretary



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NAME Toni Anderson DATE 9/10/12  
STREET ADDRESS 17790 SW Cheyenne Way Tual.  
STATE OR ZIP 97062 E-MAIL Tanderson@reachone.com

I wish to speak during **CITIZEN COMMENTS** on a subject that is not on the current Council agenda. *(3-minute time limit per speaker)*

Subject \_\_\_\_\_  
All Blvd to Board Ferry connectivity

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NAME Larry McClure DATE \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS 17760 Chenoweth

STATE OR ZIP 97062 E-MAIL larry.mccclure@gmail.com

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Subject WORK SESSION

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NAME Cheryl Dorman DATE 9-10-12  
STREET ADDRESS Tualatin Sherwood Rd  
STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

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NAME Kevin Francis O'Neary DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS 9317 SW UMAT TUALATIN  
STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

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Subject TRANSPORTATION

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NAME Mike Riley DATE Sep 19 2012  
STREET ADDRESS 8720 SW Tual. Rd #223  
STATE OR ZIP 97062 E-MAIL mriley2000@comcast.net

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Subject N/S comment in 158

I wish to speak on **AGENDA ITEM No.** N/S comment in 158 (TESTIMONY TIME MAY BE LIMITED)  
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NAME Linda Moholt DATE \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS 19181 SW. 55th Ct.

STATE T. ZIP 97062 E-MAIL lindemoholt@msn.com

I wish to speak during **CITIZEN COMMENTS** on a subject that is not on the current Council agenda. *(3-minute time limit per speaker)*

Subject 65th

I wish to speak on **AGENDA ITEM No.** \_\_\_\_\_ (TESTIMONY TIME MAY BE LIMITED)

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NAME CHARLIE BENSON DATE 09/10/12

STREET ADDRESS 5915 SW SEQUOIA DR

STATE OR ZIP 97062 E-MAIL CJBENSONS@HOTMAIL.COM

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Subject \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to speak on **AGENDA ITEM No.** 65<sup>th</sup> EXT (TESTIMONY TIME MAY BE LIMITED)

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NAME Steve Titus DATE \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

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Subject 105th

I wish to speak on **PUBLIC HEARING ITEM No.** \_\_\_\_\_ (TESTIMONY TIME MAY BE LIMITED)

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NAME BRIAN WEGENER DATE 7/10/12

STREET ADDRESS 11675 SW HAZELBROOK RD

STATE OR ZIP 97062 E-MAIL brian@tualatinriverkeepers.org

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Subject N-S Connectivity

I wish to speak on **PUBLIC HEARING ITEM No.** \_\_\_\_\_ (TESTIMONY TIME MAY BE LIMITED)

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NAME CHRISTOPHER NELSON DATE 9/10/12

STREET ADDRESS 8715 SW CHINOOK ST.

STATE OR ZIP 97062 E-MAIL LANYOT@AOL.COM

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Subject NORTH-SOUTH CONNECTIVITY

I wish to speak on **AGENDA ITEM No.** \_\_\_\_\_ (TESTIMONY TIME MAY BE LIMITED)

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NAME Rethy Newcomb DATE 9/10/12

STREET ADDRESS 17515

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

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Subject Work Session pls

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NAME Dolores Hurtado DATE \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS 8685 SW Chinook St

STATE OR ZIP 97062 E-MAIL dohurtad@hevanet.com

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Subject proposed Roadway from Hall St.

I wish to speak on **PUBLIC HEARING ITEM No.** \_\_\_\_\_ (TESTIMONY TIME MAY BE LIMITED)

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From: Dolores Hurtado  
dohurtad@hevanet.com

Dear Councilors:

I am counting on you to recognize that the concept of running a roadway from Hall Street south adjoining the WES Track along Tualatin Road and joining up with Boones Ferry Road has so many critical problems that it could easily be designated as ludicrous.

Here are some of the most critical drawbacks:

It will have a very high price tag because it will require a bridge over the Tualatin River and will also traverse some portion of wetlands west of the WES tracks;

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It will run alongside the WES track at the same time that we are trying to encourage use of that line as an alternative to driving;

It will introduce noxious car and truck exhaust to the Tualatin Greenway Trail in Tualatin Community Park which is directly across the WES track from this proposed new roadway. The Tualatin Greenway Trail carries thousands of bicyclists and pedestrians a month who use it for commuting as well as for recreation. A recent survey showed an average of about 27,000 trips per month.

If the City is truly considering how to best serve our population in the coming decades with reasonable methods of getting where we want to go, I believe the Council should be searching for alternatives to get our workers, commuters, elderly and students out of cars and into efficient public modes of transportation. Further research should be applied to study of cities like Wilsonville, Corvallis and others who manage to serve their transportation needs without adding more roads and pollution. I believe this is the challenge the City should be looking toward and I urge you not to add this particularly problematic roadway to the Transportation Plan..

Mayor at the last meeting I attended you spoke of our new water feature, touted just how nature friendly Tualatin is, and how we get such involvement when it comes to our award winning parks and trees. This I do agree with but what I can not understand is why you voted in favor of the North South Connector?

The connector you voted for had the highest online votes at 55 with the lowest approval at 1.2. The generic idea "to provide north-south connectivity" had 53 votes with a 1.6 approval rating. It is clear that this item is yet another unwanted attempt that is met with a very clear answer, No!

I have been active with the TSP online, in work groups, meetings and now City Council. What I don't get is if no one wants it and it has constant opposition what am I doing here? Why do I need to tell you? Why is it that an idea disliked by all keeps resurfacing?

Here is what the public has to say:

1. Industrial traffic drawn East will cause wider spread issues from traffic to pollution.
2. Old growth timbers, a buffer to the golf course, line the proposed connection which would surely be lost. A true travesty to a "Tree Friendly" city, as Mr. Ogden has stated.
3. Flood plains to the East, home to as many as 27 species of birds deer and other wild life, would surely be encroached upon, or all together lost.
4. Increased traffic, congestion and surely pollution would be drawn closer to our parks, wild life, bird refuges and the Tualatin Country Club, a pillar of our community established 1912 before our city.
5. This 39 million dollar road when completed would be antiquated from day one as its 2 lanes would be met by 5 in Tigard.

6. ~~The tri-park area connect amidst a beautiful wild life refuge that would surely be obliterated. Not to mention the building of a roadway to carry an estimated 800 to 900 cars, where once a pristine habitat lay, dividing not only these 3 parks but the people of surrounding communities.~~
7. This extension would not only mean more intersections, rail crossings and bridges; but the removal of homes and businesses.
8. This road would mean another 400 cars to 2 failing intersections also the addition of 2 more lights to the very same street.
9. These additional 400 cars would be funneled to Tualatin-Sherwood Road, the worst traffic in town, now would be even worse. With no proposed solution.

For these reasons please take the time to realize what the people of Tualatin have told you, and are continuing to tell you. And that is they don't want this connection at any cost, they don't want traffic funneled into the heart of an already busy town and above all they don't want a north south connector.

If you only take away this: remember that the people of Tualatin had a chance to vote, and they did. By passing law, having an active voice in workgroups, voting in workgroup and online, TSP meetings and now City Council. They don't want it. Please let our voices be heard. And if not I ask the people of Tualatin let our votes reflect that on election day.

Thank you for your time.

CONCERNS ABOUT THE NORTH/SOUTH CONNECTIVITY, OPTION 1.

Opposition to North/South Connectivity, Option 1. Request to City council members: Please all vote against this "Refinement." The proper time for such a vote would be during the council meeting. From Kathy Newcomb, city resident. 503-692-5227 after 10 a.m.

1. The Goals for the Transportation System Plan are not being met by this "Refinement," the "N/S Connectivity, Option 1."

2. Approving the N/S Connectivity concept would eventually result in a regional arterial from Cedar Hills Boulevard to Wilsonville (beginning on Hall Boulevard at Cedar Hills Boulevard, continuing to 85<sup>th</sup> and Durham in Tigard, continuing south on the N/S Connectivity, following Tualatin Road to Boones Ferry Road, and following Boones Ferry Road to Wilsonville). Establishing regional arterials using Tualatin streets never was part of the Goals.

3. I would add that, somehow, instead of working on improving livability and traffic problems for people in Tualatin, a huge amount of time, energy and money was wasted promoting the North/South Connectivity, Option 1 .... using and ABUSING Tualatin as a throughway for regional traffic. *Please remember that this arterial would duplicate WES, a recent investment of \$133,000,000. NO DUPLICATION, please.*

4. New and substantial traffic congestion would be the result, especially at the junction of Boones Ferry Road turning West at Tualatin Road. Just picture evening rush hour at that junction with the I-5 traffic meeting the Hall Boulevard traffic!

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5. With respect to the "CONCEPT"\* of sending the N/S Connectivity west behind the Police Station and then north between the Police Station and the Tualatin History Center (then north to Chinook, east to Celilo and north to the River), that seems an utter waste of consultant time and highly inappropriate.

(6. I do not remember whether the Tualatin Historic Center is part of the parklands. If it is, then the 68-foot wide impact of the proposed arterial would possibly be subject to a city-charter vote. Also, I cannot imagine that such an arterial would be appropriately accommodating to police traffic in and out of their northern\*\* parking lot.) (\*\*correction: southern parking lot) } 9/12/12  
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\* The Concept as verified by city employees.

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"Tualatin Historical Society opposes any transportation corridor that would negatively affect the viability or access to any historic site, structure, or natural resource that helps define Tualatin's heritage."

Larry McClure  
Co-President,  
Tualatin Historical Society  
Statement to Tualatin City Council work session, September 10, 2012