Downtown Working Group #3 Summary

The Downtown Working Group met on June 4th, 2012 from 6-8 p.m. at the Tualatin Police Department. The working group heard how the project team evaluated each project, and then discussed the evaluation and the projects. At the end of the working group meeting, attendees were given five red and five green dots. Attendees were asked to place green dots on the projects that were the most important to the community and red dots on projects that they thought should not be carried forward into the TSP given the discussion and the preliminary evaluation results. One dot per project per person was allowed (attendees were not able to put all of their dots on one project).

ID	Project Idea	Green Dots	Red Dots
A1	Upgrade bridge surface and improve illumination along path in back of Haggens	6	
	Not a transportation issue – it's a park issue		
	It is a pedestrian and bicycle issue		
	Who owns the path from police station to Haggens?		
	It is currently dark and dangerous		
	Include in TSP/Move to Parks Department		
A2	Consider raised intersections on Martinazzi for pedestrian safety		3
	No. Don't think it makes sense here. Need better lighting there instead.		
A4	Reduce speeds near Bridgeport Village		2
A5a	Redesign Fred Meyer / Kmart intersection	2	
	Really needs consideration – YES!		
A5b	Improve pedestrian crossing at Fred Meyer/Kmart intersection	2	
	Really needs consideration – YES!		
<u>A6</u>	Add roundabout at Boones Ferry and Lower Boones Ferry Road		2
	No – property impacts, and a roundabout would make it difficult for trucks		
	Yes – they do move traffic – it stacks in two directions and a roundabout would allow traffic to move		
A7	Add pedestrian island on Martinazzi Ave north of Seneca		1
	There is not enough room. There is no need; it is not a wide road.		

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ID	Project Idea	Green Dots	Red Dots
B1	Improve circulation into and out of the Tualatin Community Park Right In/Right Out access to dog park/community park Look at all 3 park entrances – congestion issues, seniors going to exercise classes Concerned about implementation. It's important to look more at it and see what the options are. More discussion needed. Do not change road in park. Add lights to get out of park during rush hour.	4	2
<u>B3</u>	Add an eastbound lane on Tualatin-Sherwood Rd from Martinazzi to I-5 Good idea. Needs more discussion. Need to involve the two property owners in discussion (also A5a and A5b). There is room near Jack in the Box	1	
<u>B7</u>	Replace/widen Boones Ferry Road bridge over Tualatin River Important. Makes sense	9	
<u>B9</u>	Widen Boones Ferry Rd Related to B7 (widening). The choke point is the two lane section. This is needed for circulation. McLain already uses it as major truck through way. We don't want this to be a route for trucks going through downtown and near the community park. It would impact downtown and livability.	3	1
B10	Widen Tualatin-Sherwood Rd through downtown Property impacts. Not sure widening would help improve circulation.		8
C1	Build a trail from Boones Ferry to downtown core along river and extend to the greenway Great idea. Crossing at I-5 would be challenge.	3	
<u>C2</u>	Provide north-south connectivity over Tualatin River for vehicles Needs discussion – where would it go?	3	4
C4	Create a grid system near the Kmart upon redevelopment with a connection to Seneca Will never happen. Impact to City Hall is big problem – voters rejected a bond to build a new city hall recently. Ability to implement should be empty circle. This would be hard to implement		4
<u>C5</u>	Improve downtown core street connectivity This project is not clear. Don't understand how this would be implemented. More discussion needed. Don't always need roads to connect.		3

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C6	Create road connections between Boones Ferry Rd and SW 90th Ave This would impact private property, and a connection is not necessary		
D1	Redesign pedestrian crossings, consider flashing lights in the downtown core This should stay in the TSP. Really hard to cross streets in downtown. Positive comments from group	5	
<u>D2</u>	Upgrade Nyberg interchange to improve the crossing experience for bicyclists More discussion is needed on Nyberg Interchange		
<u>D3</u>	Optimize intersections to reduce car/pedestrian conflicts along Boones Ferry and Tualatin Sherwood Roads Yes. One person really likes this project.	1	
D4	Add pedestrian crossing at the WES stop (Seneca) Crossings to WES are not needed at this location – there is no where to go once you're across Boones Ferry Rd		5
<u>D6</u>	Improve sidewalks and bicycle lane at Boones Ferry to Lower Boones Ferry. This is not a bad idea – should be part of a bike/ped plan. Coordination with Durham would be required Improve signage by public parking lots downtown	6	
D7	Bike and pedestrian treatments near Bridgeport Village Signal timing could help, but difficult to implement Include overpass/interchange at Bridgeport Village area in project – this is a safety concern. There are often debris in bike lane	2	
D8	Provide signage and/or other visual cues to motorists to accommodate bicycles Not expensive, may not be effective		
D9	Add bicycle lane or "Share the Road" signs Most people liked this project	1	
D10	Coordinate traffic signal timing to accommodate pedestrians. Everyone agrees		2
D11	Add focused pedestrian crossing over Boones Ferry Road at Tonka Some discussion occurred about where nearest crossing options are. Pedestrian crossing not allowed on south side of intersection at Boones Ferry and TualatinSherwood Road.		1

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ID	Project Idea	Green Dots	Red Dots
F1	Encourage better multimodal circulation and transit-oriented redevelopment for major downtown uses Most people liked this project	5	
F2	Look for opportunities to open downtown's connection to the riverfront Most people liked this project	3	
F3	Eliminate parking minimums, consider parking maximums		2
F4	Add structured parking in downtown core Is there enough need for it? Seems like a good idea. Would need more density in future.	3	

General Notes

Don't change names of streets through downtown

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