

Present: Mayor Lou Ogden; Councilor Frank Bubenik; Council President Joelle Davis;

Councilor Nancy Grimes; Councilor Paul Morrison; Councilor Jeff DeHaan; Councilor

Robert Kellogg

Staff

City Manager Sherilyn Lombos; City Attorney Sean Brady; Police Chief Bill Steele; Present: Community Services Director Paul Hennon; Deputy City Recorder Nicole Morris;

Assistant to the City Manager Tanya Williams; Assistant City Manager Alice Cannon; Library Manager Jerianne Thompson; Management Analyst II Zoe Monahan; City

**Engineer Jeff Fuchs** 

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Ogden called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

#### 1. Garden Corner Curves Concept Study Update.

Public Works Director Jeff Fuchs provided an update on the Garden Corner Curves Concept Study. The point of the study is to provide a safe route for pedestrians and cyclists while creating a connection between Ibach and Midwest neighborhoods. The study will also address speed and safety concerns while minimizing impacts to the neighbors.

Mary Stewart, Alta Planning and Design, spoke to public outreach conducted to date. She stated the majority of efforts have focused on stakeholders along the corridor and neighborhoods in the Midwest and Ibach CIO's. There have been many interactive activities conducted, including the closing of the corridor for a site tour for neighbors. Kitchen table meetings in a more intimate setting have been held for community members. There have been additional stakeholder meetings and an online survey. Ms. Stewart briefly recapped outreach results noting top concerns included no current bike lanes or sidewalks, no neighborhood connection, speeding, and blind corners with limited visibility.

Dave Brokaw, Wallis Engineering, addressed solutions for top concerns. He provided solutions adding maintaining existing character of the area is a top priority, Mr. Brokaw stated four alternatives with interchangeable elements have been developed. Each alternative evaluated impacts to the right of way, environment, and costs. Alternative A includes two 10' vehicle lanes, a 12' shared use path on the east side, and several safety improvements. Alternative B provides two 10' vehicle lanes, a 12' shared use path on the west side, and several safety improvements. Alternative C provides two 10' vehicle lanes, a 6' sidewalk on the east side, bike lanes on both sides, and safety improvements. Alternative D provides a more traditional design including two 10' vehicle lanes, sidewalks on both sides, buffered bike lanes on both sides, and safety improvements. Mr. Brokaw spoke to approximate costs for each alternative. He noted part of the study

intent is to address near term concerns with low cost methods. Low cost methods could include better signage, speed humps, revised pavement markings, driver speed feedback signs, and visibility improvements.

Ms. Stewart spoke to next steps for the study. She stated any design issues and concerns presented by Council will be addressed followed by an open house, online surveys, and continued communications with neighbors. A completed detailed design evaluation and updated cost estimates will be provided at the conclusion of the public outreach.

Councilor Grimes asked if the cost difference between Alternative A and B are due to the rights of ways. Mr. Brokaw stated both options include rights of way purchases. He stated Alternative B is more because it requires the extension of the shared use path.

Councilor Kellogg stated one of the options included a stop sign at 108<sup>th</sup> and Blake. He asked if there had been any feedback of the potential traffic noise it may cause. Director Fuchs stated options have not been presented to the public yet and will be open to public comment on June 13. He noted the stop sign would not have significant noise impact in the area.

Councilor Bubenik asked if the environmental impacts for addressing the wetlands had been incorporated into the costs. Mr. Brokaw stated they have been incorporated into the rough estimates.

Council President Davis stated the presentation is missing an analysis of the safety aspects in the area. She will need to know how each option impacts safety before making any decision.

Councilor DeHaan asked about the use of the greenway between the two CIO's. Ms. Stewart stated the greenway is not included in this study as a connection but is shown on the maps so it can be included in future planning.

Councilor DeHaan asked how much traffic in the area is caused by the Garden Corner. Ms. Stewart stated most of the traffic in the area is driven during rush hour and is not in direct correlation to the business.

Mayor Ogden asked about separating the bike and pedestrian paths. Mr. Brokaw stated there would need to be more width in the area and it is just not available due to the environmental impacts.

Councilor DeHaan asked what the rough cost break down between design and construction is for this project. Mr. Brokaw stated roughly 25% is design and the remaining 75% is construction.

## 3. Sanctuary City / Welcoming Community Status.

Assistant City Manager Tanya Williams presented information on the Sanctuary City and Inclusive Community information. She recapped information from the Council Advance including the priorities in diversity, inclusion, and equity. An update on the activities of the Diversity and Inclusion Working Group was presented. Manager Williams stated staff received direction at the May 8 Council meeting to begin reviewing the proposed resolution naming Tualatin a Sanctuary City. The Sanctuary City proposal as well as an alternative resolution identifying Tualatin as an Inclusive Community was presented.

Councilor DeHaan asked if the police had issued a statement regarding the subject. Manager Williams responded both the Police and Library had issued statements.

Mayor Ogden stated there is a need for better communication and accessibility throughout the community. He believes listening sessions are the right first step.

Councilor Bubenik stated the City needs to build trust in certain segments of the community.

Councilor Davis stated the working group needs to meet again about next steps for moving forward.

Mayor Ogden stated this is not just about minority community members but the entire community.

Councilor Davis stated the Inclusive City resolution is similar to the Unity Statement read in December. She believes the Inclusive City resolution will sit better with the community and has been vetted by the MeCHA group who presented the original resolution.

Mayor Ogden agreed the Inclusive City resolution states what the City has already committed to do and what it is capable of doing.

Councilor Kellogg asked why the reference to the Oregon Revised Statue was removed. He would like to see a element of that included in the resolution.

Mayor Ogden concurred the piece regarding Oregon State Law should be incorporated.

# 4. Council Meeting Agenda Review, Communications & Roundtable.

Council President Davis thanked everyone who attended the Lunch with the Chief event or has purchased a Tony Dog. She added the Tualatin Community Police Foundation has raised just under \$20,000.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The work session adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

// Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary

/ Lou Ogden, Mayor