



CITY OF
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND

MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2017
CITY HALL
COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM
280 MADISON AVENUE NORTH
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, WA 98110

MINUTES

Attendees: Lief Horwitz, Demi Allen, Marsha Cutting, Shannon Glass, Dave Freeburg, as well as Kirk Robinson (Parks District Liaison), Wayne Roth (City Council Liaison), Chris Hammer (City Staff)

Members of the public in attendance: Charles Schmid (Chair of the Waterfront Trail Committee), Susan Loftus, Erika Shriner

The committee deferred approval of the November minutes until the next meeting.

Public Comment:

During the public comment period, Charles Schmid, Chair of the Waterfront Trail Committee, presented regarding an opportunity to connect several existing segments of the waterfront trail southeast of Madison Ave S and Bjune Drive SE in Winslow. A property owner is developing a condominium project on a waterfront parcel, and the Waterfront trail committee would like the City to require the landowner to provide access to the water as mitigation for loss of waterfront access.

Lief Horwitz suggested that MTAC support this effort, and Dave Freeburg volunteered to participate in this effort. Lief Horwitz moved to introduce the following motion, which was seconded and passed with unanimous support:

“MTAC endorses the participation of a Committee representative on an ad hoc working group charged with developing a strategy for completion of the undeveloped sections of the Waterfront Trail located east of Madison Ave between Bjune Drive and Parfitt Way.”

Susan Loftus commented that encouraging multimodal transportation can mean encouraging changes of behavior to use existing infrastructure, or to change design of new infrastructure to encourage more use of infrastructure. She mentioned that social support and other tools can help increase biking and pedestrian among under-represented groups.

Erika Shriner from Bainbridge Climate Action Now spoke to share concerns that the City may end plans to construct the bridge connecting Winslow to the Sound-to-Olympics Trail across 305. Climate Action Now is beginning a campaign with three components (Bainbridge Bikes, Bainbridge Walks, and Bainbridge Buses), in order to decrease carbon dioxide omissions. Chris Hammer mentioned that there is an agenda item for city staff and the design consultant to present to the City Council regarding the bridge at the upcoming meeting on January 2, 2018.



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Committee Members discussed future plans regarding construction of the bridge, including ways to ensure the community has access to ample and accurate information about the bridge. Chris said staff have estimated that bridge users may make at least 100 trips per day, and over 10,000 people live within close proximity of the bridge.

Reports:

Engineer's Update:

- Chris Hammer said the City is having a meeting to give the public a chance to comment on the Slow on Grow project.
- The STO trail is almost complete, with concrete pouring in time for the scheduled January 1 opening.
- The City won additional funding from the state and federal government for the Olympic Drive project, although the additional of federal funding means the project must go through review under the National Environmental Policy Act. NEPA review normally takes 6 months, and the project will not go back out to bid until the review is complete.
- Wardwell Road was paved on Monday.
- Chris is working on a contract with an engineering company to design the segment of the STO trail going through the Sakai property.

Complete Streets:

Dave Freeburg presented the draft of a proposed ordinance incorporating the concept of complete streets into the Bainbridge municipal code. The committee will discuss the draft in more detail at a subsequent meeting.

Infrastructure Bond:

Demi Allen reported on the work on the infrastructure bond working group, providing proposed principles that have guided the proposals of the working group.

Chris Hammer reported on the development of individual projects in order to build a connected network of routes.


Lief Horwitz, Chair 01/10/18