



CITY OF
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND

MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 2018
CITY HALL
280 MADISON AVENUE NORTH
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, WA 98110

Minutes

Members Present: Lief Horwitz, Don Willott, Erin Thomasson, Shannon Glass, DEMI ALLEN

Members Absent: Robert Shulock, David Freeburg

Additional attendees: Joe Deets, Leslie Schneider (City Council); Chris Hammer, Mark Epstein (City Staff); Kjell Stoknes, Lynn Harmeling, Susan Loftus, Ross Hathaway, John Grinter, Don Rooks

Leslie Schneider introduced herself as the new Council liaison to MTAC and indicated her interests in enhancing the environment for active transportation.

Public Comment

*Ross Hathaway and Don Rooks each expressed strong support for encouraging Council to take real action to make roads safe for all users - to give people who want to bike, walk and run a real option to do that.

*John Grinter made comments about the importance of a good process for building consensus around the island transportation plan, and expressed optimism about how close we are to making real progress on active transportation.

*Lynn Harmeling mentioned the importance of making sure sidewalks in Winslow work for all users, included people with physical limitations.

City Staff Report

*Chris noted recent adjustments to the trail alignment at Finch & Sportmans' Club road to address safety concerns for pedestrians.

*Olympic Drive improvements - all approvals from WSDOT have been received - the grant money is secured and is not at risk. The committee discussed the multi-year process that has brought us to this point.

*The Committee addressed the need to gather and tell "success stories" about projects that have been completed over the past several years. We will incorporate part of this in a report out to Council in January.

*Sportmans' Club and New Brooklyn intersection - Council approved moving forward with this project.

*The Waterfront Park bridge repair project will begin in early January - bridge surface will be redecked and railing replaced.

Development Review

*Ericksen Townhomes - The committee noted the need to ensure that the existing bike lane is preserved fully, as contemplated by the COBI Non-Motorized System Plan.

*Hildebrand Hotel Project - This project has frontage along Hildebrand Lane from just north of Wallace way to the existing Country Inn.

*The committee discussed the process for development reviews - the current process used by Planning to obtain MTAC comments on proposed developments.



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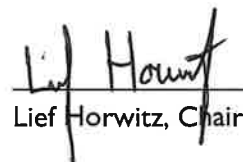
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Committee Discussion

*Mark reviewed the budget for the 2019-2020 biennium; he noted that city spending for non-motorized projects over the next two years (as shown in the approved CIP) is only about \$100,000. The committee also noted that the city money that had been allocated to the bike-ped bridge project (approximately \$700,000) was not reprogrammed for non-motorized projects.

*Mark reviewed the process for how projects get into the CIP and proposed improvements to that process, as included in his presentation to Council on November 20, 2018. The committee then discussed the extent to which we should rely on grant funding for non-motorized projects, and how much city money should be spent on projects that are not grant funded.

*Leslie and Joe reviewed the current proposal for an increase to car tab fees to raise money for climate change mitigation, traffic calming, and marketing funds for BI rides.


Lief Horwitz, Chair

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