

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting
~Minutes~

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Thursday
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4:00 PM

Council Chambers
206 E. Third Street

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Sanders, Chair; Randy Baukol, Ben Calabretta, Joel Hamilton, Mike McGahan, Scott Sumner
MEMBERS ABSENT: Erin Bacon, Rebecca Couch, Mary DuPree
OTHERS: Ben Aiman, Gina Taruscio, Janet Zarate
STAFF: Jennifer Fleischman, Cody Riddle, Nate Suhr

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of January 13, 2022 Minutes (ACTION ITEM)

Presentation of minutes for approval.

Hamilton moved for approval of the minutes as presented, seconded by Baukol. Vote by Acclamation: Ayes: Unanimous (6). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

2. Public Comment

Members of the public may speak to the Commission regarding matters NOT on the agenda or currently pending before the Commission. Please state your name and city of residence for the record and limit remarks to three (3) minutes.

None.

3. Sixth Street Bridge Replacement Project – Nate Suhr

The City was recently awarded a grant for the replacement of the Sixth Street Bridge over Paradise Creek near the intersection of Mountain View Road. Staff has prepared a presentation to include conceptual design information and an anticipated construction schedule.

Suhr gave an overview of the project as described above. The reconstructed roadway is designed to be slightly smaller than the connecting roads, but to include sidewalks and bike lanes. The cost of the bridge is comparable to construction of other bridges of similar size. The Mountain View roundabout construction phase would be completed at the same time and estimated to be complete by fall 2022. There was continued discussion about the added bike lanes and sidewalks. Blaine Street will most likely be used as the detour during construction. How the on-street parking on Blaine Street would affect increased traffic and accommodating bus routes was considered.

4. Electric Scooter and Shared Mobility Program Code Amendment and License Agreement Update – Cody Riddle

Staff recently presented to City Council a draft amendment to City Code to address the use of E-Bikes, E-Scooters and similar devices upon the City's streets, sidewalks and pathways in anticipation of likely increased use. Additionally, a draft license agreement was presented for shared mobility providers that would regulate their operations and standards of performance.

Riddle updated the Commission on the code amendment, that passed City Council at the beginning of the week, and the annual license agreement program that would be used for Shared Mobility providers. Council

also approved a dismount zone for e-assisted mobility devices in Downtown Moscow, which would go in affect June 1st, 2022. The draft license agreement was not changed significantly since last presented to the Commission and no provider has been contracted with. There has been one company that has expressed interest in providing e-bikes and several that would like to provide e-scooters. The Commission agreed with the dismount zone and there continued some conversation about that. There is no limit to the number of companies that can provide e-mobility devices. Commissioners discussed docking stations and where e-scooters would be placed downtown. The University of Idaho has expressed support of the devices but it is unknown exactly where or if there would be a dismount zone on campus., The City's ordinance and agreement would apply to University e-devices.

5. Commission Training FY2023 Budget (ACTION ITEM) – Cody Riddle

The next fiscal year budget process is underway and the Commission will need to submit their request if they would like to pursue specific training opportunities for FY2023.

Riddle requested input from the Commissioners regarding a budget request for next fiscal year for training purposes. The training could be for the Commission or for community education. Staff asked that the Commission be ready to make a motion at the next meeting. The Planning & Zoning Commission uses their budget to attend conferences and meetings, or to bring in a speaker.

REPORTS

Zarate gave a brief update for Idaho Transportation Department (ITD):

The draft scope of work for the State Hwy 8 study has been completed and the draft scope of work for the Hwy 95 study should be done soon. There is a pre-construction meeting for the Hwy 95 realignment scheduled for later in February. The right-of-way's for the Hwy 95 realignment project have not all been acquired yet. The rock needed for the construction may be acquired from Cow Creek.

The Commission asked Staff to provide a report about Pullman's proposed alternate truck route on Sand Road and they discussed what that route would look like. ITD has not been contacted by Washington State Department of Transportation.

There was some discussion about the EMSI parking lot and St. John's Hardware vacated building. Staff will report back at the next meeting with more information.

Population growth and K-12 increases in Latah County was discussed, in regards to its impact on transportation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An intercity transportation meeting flyer was shared and discussed.

The inter-city survey has been sent out and the results will be reported at the next meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled Transportation Commission meeting is March 10, 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 PM



Robert Sanders, Chair