

TIME: 7:00 a.m.  
PLACE: The Dalles Public Works Department  
Conference Room  
1215 W 1<sup>st</sup> Street  
The Dalles OR 97058

AGENDA  
TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
DECEMBER 19, 2018

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 21, 2018
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT
- IV. OLD BUSINESS
  - A) I84, Exit #83 Right Turn Only Request - Holloran
  - B) Cell Phone Usage While Driving Fines
- V. NEW BUSINESS
  - A) 6<sup>th</sup> & Webber & 2<sup>nd</sup> & Webber Intersections
  - B) Request for Bus Stop on E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street (in Handicap Location)
- VI. ADJOURNMENT

## Minutes

### TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING of December 19, 2018 7:00a

COMMISSION PRESENT: Frank Pyles, Fred Davis, Larry Fairclo, Mike Kilkenny, Brent Bybee, Donna Lawrence and Michael Holloran

ABSENT MEMBERS: none

STAFF PRESENT: Dale McCabe – City Engineer, Jeff Kienlen – Safety Officer and Cindy Keever – Administrative Secretary

PUBLIC PRESENT: Ron McHale

Donna Lawrence made a motion to approve the November minutes. Mike Kilkenny seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ron McHale, property owner at 2700 W 2<sup>nd</sup> asked the TSC for assistance with neighborhood parking issues and a discussion was held. After hearing the issues, Brent Bybee suggested Mr. McHale contact the City's Planning Department regarding the original requirements for the area businesses. No action needed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

##### A) I84, Exit #83, Right Turn Only Request

Michael Holloran shared his conversations with ODOT regarding this intersection. Dale McCabe said the Transportation System Plan (TSP), the study that was conducted several years ago, shows the intersection functioning fine until 2035. While TSC members did not necessarily agree with the TSP findings, no further action was decided at this time.

##### B) Cell Phone Usage and Fines While Driving

City Councilperson, Russ Brown was going to give a report regarding the status of the fine amounts but was not in attendance. A discussion was held regarding diversion options that are currently available. Larry Fairclo and Michael Holloran plan to attend one of the January diversion classes and will report back to the group at a later date.

C) Visibility Improvements at 12<sup>th</sup> & Thompson

Frank Pyles wanted to thank the commission and staff for their diligence in listening and helping to make changes at 12<sup>th</sup> & Thompson. With the removal of the 2 shrubs it is much easier, (and safer), to see the traffic driving down Thompson.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A) 6<sup>th</sup> & Webber & 2<sup>nd</sup> & Webber Intersections

Dale McCabe brought maps from the TSP showing the 5 year CIP (Capital Improvement Projects) and these intersections are on it. Discussion was held regarding the congestion that occurs at peak drive times. Members recommended the City start saving and bump this project to a higher priority on the Transportation System Plan. No action needed at this time.

B) Request for Bus Stop on E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street (in Handicap Location)

A request was received from The Dalles Main Street to move the parking space on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street at the NE corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> and Madison and change the handicapped parking spot to a Bus Stop for the Hop On/Hop Off buses that are affiliated with the cruise ships. Dale suggested City staff evaluate the area first and if needed the request will return as an agenda item. No action necessary.

C) Jordan & 9<sup>th</sup> Street Intersection - No Stop Sign Complaint

The City's On Call person received a complaint saying there was no stop sign on Jordan at 9<sup>th</sup> Street for vehicles traveling southbound. Because it was an after regular business hours concern, he responded to the complaint, put up a temporary stop sign and then took it down the next business day after a discussion was held regarding the need. City staff determined it is a like many other areas in town and does not meet the criteria in the MUTCD manual for a stop sign. This intersection is also like many others in town where the cross traffic is required to yield to oncoming traffic. No further action needed.

D) 2<sup>nd</sup> & Washington Left Turn Lane


Brent Bybee talked about the left turn lane on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and the need to eliminate it. A discussion was held regarding which size vehicles can use it and which cannot. Also, if there is still a need for the left turn lanes on Washington and Union at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Dale said staff will look at the area and report back to the commission at the January meeting.

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There being no further business to come before the Commission, Mike Kilkenny moved to adjourn. Fred Davis seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Cindy Keever  
Administrative Secretary  
City of The Dalles Public Works

Final approval

  
Frank Pyles



**Table 6-6. Intersection Improvements**

Map ID	Location	Project Type	Project Description	Cost Estimate	Estimated City Contribution*	Priority	Potential Funding Source			
							ODOT	City	Private	County
I-1	US 197/US 30	Intersection, Operations	Install a roundabout to address both safety and operational issues. The selection and design of the roundabout should consider the truck traffic that currently uses this route to gain momentum when traveling uphill on US 197 towards the landfill. A right-turn bypass lane from the west to south leg may assist trucks in maintaining momentum. (Also shown as project S-1.)	\$2.0 to \$2.5 million	\$250,000	High	✓			
I-2	US 197/Fremont Street/ Columbia View Drive	Intersection, Operations	Install sign upgrades, rumble strips, and dynamic message signage to manage speeds and provide advance warning of the intersection.	\$20,000	\$5,000	High	✓	✓		
			In the longer term, install an overpass while converting existing intersections to right-in, right-out. (Also shown as S-2.)	\$9,955,000	\$1,100,000	High	✓	✓		
			Install a minimal traffic signal to increase capacity. (Also related to Safety projects S-8 and S-9.)	\$1.25 to \$1.5 million	\$150,000	High	✓			
I-3	US 197/ I-84 EB Ramps	Intersection, Operations		\$1.5 to \$2.0 million	--	Low/Development Driven			✓	
I-4	US 197/ Lone Pine Boulevard	Intersection, Operations	Construct single-lane roundabout.							
I-6	Thompson St/E 10 <sup>th</sup> St/ Old Dufur Road	Intersection, Realignment	Convert the existing intersection to an off-set "T" and a mini-roundabout. This project should be completed in conjunction with or prior to project R-1, the E 19 <sup>th</sup> Street extension.	\$130,000	\$130,000	High		✓		
I-7	E 2 <sup>nd</sup> St/US 30	Intersection, Realignment	Realign this intersection into a more traditional T-intersection.	\$100,000	--	Low	✓			
I-8	Cherry Heights Rd/W 6 <sup>th</sup> Street	Intersection, Realignment	Convert the southbound approach to a shared left-through lane and an exclusive right-turn lane and modify the signal to provide permitted left-turn phasing. Extend the northbound left-turn lane on Cherry Heights Rd to accommodate future queue lengths.	\$20,000	\$20,000	High		✓		
I-9 & I-10	W 2 <sup>nd</sup> St / Webber Road and W 6 <sup>th</sup> St/Webber Road	Intersection, Realignment	Extend the northbound right-turn lane at the Webber and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street intersection and the southbound right-turn lane at the Webber and 6 <sup>th</sup> Street intersection.	\$100,000	\$100,000	High		✓		
I-11	W 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street and W 6 <sup>th</sup> Street	Intersection, Realignment	Add an exclusive northbound and southbound left-turn lane at the 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> Street intersections, respectively, by realigning the approaches. Alter the signal timings to accommodate the new lane configurations. Coordinate the signals.	\$500,000	\$500,000	Medium		✓		
Total Cost of High Priority Intersection Projects				\$13,855,000	\$1,755,000					
Total Cost of Medium Priority Intersection Projects				\$500,000	\$500,000					
Total Cost of Low/Vision Priority Intersection Projects				\$1,850,000	--					
Total Cost of Intersection Projects				\$16,205,000	\$2,255,000					

\*For projects in which the City will be a funding partner with multiple agencies, a 25% match is assumed to be the City's contribution and is used for the funding evaluation.

### Projects I-9 through I-11: Lane Alignment and Signal Optimization at Webber Street Signals

City staff has observed southbound queues from W 6<sup>th</sup> Street backing through the W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street intersection during midday peak periods due to the delay associated with permitted southbound left-turns. Ideally, the existing right-turn lanes would be extended beyond the queue in the shared through/left lanes to accommodate forecast demand queues at the Webber/6<sup>th</sup> Street (Intersection #9) and Webber/2<sup>nd</sup> Street (Intersection #10) intersections. Due to restrictions in width under the I-84 overpass, extending these turn lanes beyond 100 feet may not be feasible within the constraints of the existing structure.

To increase capacity at the intersections, the north and south approaches should be realigned to provide exclusive left-turn lanes, as shown in Figure 5-8 and Figure 5-9. Providing left-turn lanes would facilitate running concurrent left-turn phases and provide a protected left-turn phase. Additional alternatives include signal coordination of the north and southbound through traffic to minimize queueing between the signals.

#### Alternatives Evaluation and Recommendation

Table 5-15 summarizes the evaluation criteria for projects associated with the queues at Webber Street/2nd Street and Webber Street/6th Street.

**Table 5-15. Webber Street Signals - Projects I-9 through I-11 Evaluation Criteria Summary**

Project ID	Evaluation Criteria Score by Goal				Total Score
	Goal 1: Safety and Mobility	Goal 2: Multimodal Options	Goal 3: Integration	Goal 4: Economic Development	
Alternative I-9 (Signal Timing Modifications)	2	0	1	2	5
Alternative I-10 (Extend right-turn lanes for queue storage)	2	0	1	2	5
Alternative I-11a (Realign Webber Street approaches to provide dedicated north and southbound left-turn lanes)	2	0	1	2	5
Alternative I-11b (Realign northbound Webber Street approach to extend northbound left-turn storage lane))	2	0	1	2	5



*The TAC/PAC discussion and the feedback received about these locations was positive.*

*Recommendation: This project could be a phased project as follows:*

*Short-Term*

- *Extend the northbound right-turn lane at the Webber and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street intersection and the southbound right-turn lane at the Webber and 6<sup>th</sup> Street intersection.*

*Medium-Term to Long-Term*

- *Add an exclusive northbound and southbound left-turn lane at the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Street intersections, respectively.*
- *Alter the signal timings to accommodate the new lane configurations.*
- *Coordinate the signals.*

*The medium-term to long-term improvements at these intersections will require some right-of-way to accommodate the additional lanes.*

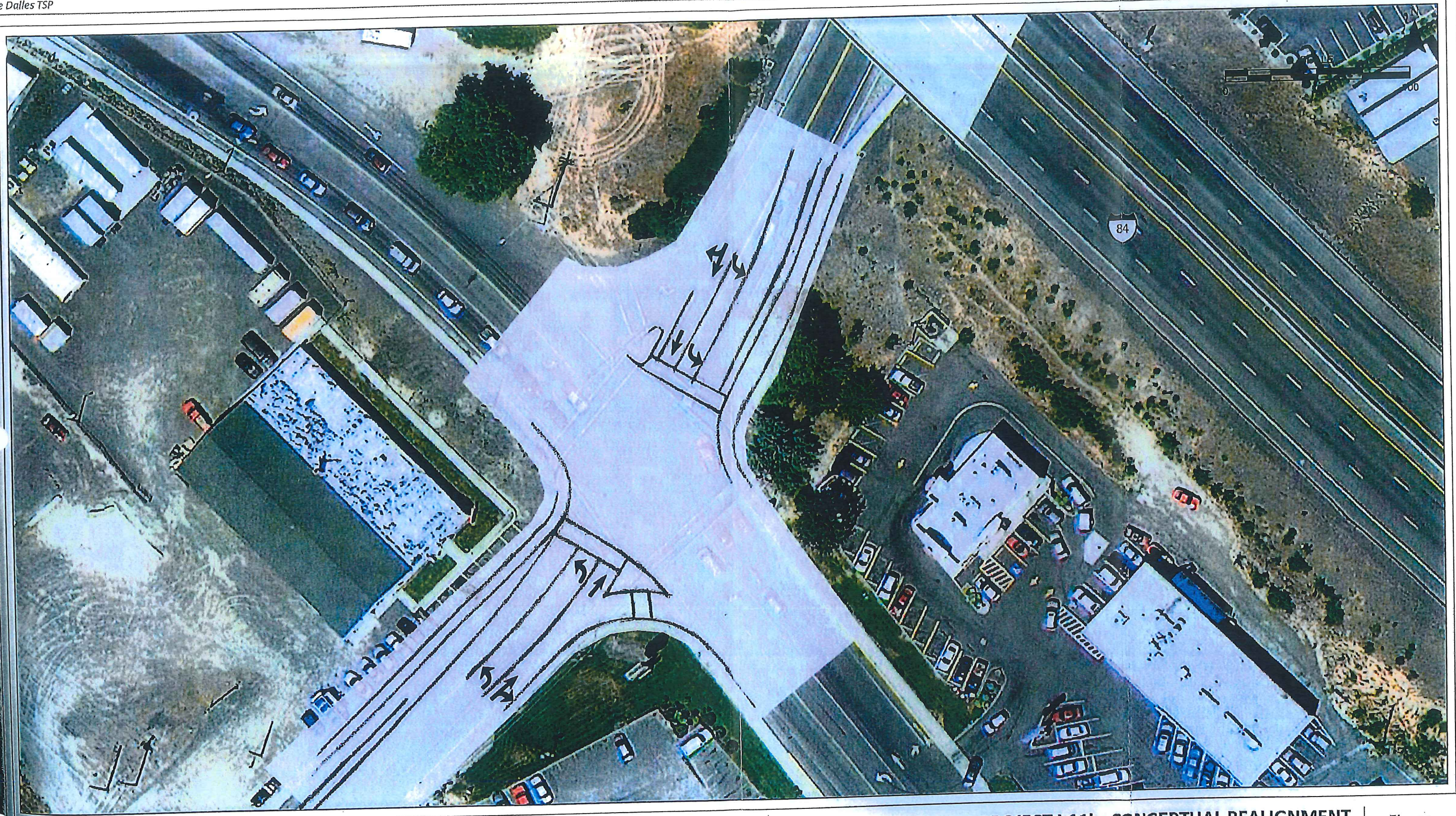




**PROJECT I-11a: CONCEPTUAL REALIGNMENT  
WEBBER STREET/W 2ND STREET  
THE DALLES, OR**

**Figure  
5-8**





**PROJECT I-11b: CONCEPTUAL REALIGNMENT  
WEBBER STREET/W 6TH STREET  
THE DALLES, OR**

Figure  
**5-9**



12/17/18

Spoke with Gwen, Postmaster?, @ USPS regarding cars parking in front of community mailboxes in the 2700 block of W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. She suggested Ron McHale, Hire Electric, 541-993-9991, come out to see if the City could paint the curb or do something to prevent people from parking in front of their mailbox. Ron is upset that no one is able to their mail when

Ron also said vehicles are parked along the curb which makes exiting the Hire Electric driveway difficult. Line of site is obstructed.

Ron is going to be taking pictures of the area to see if they are parking in the bike lane and will bring pictures to the TSC meeting on Wednesday.

Gwen (541-296-1065) said that area is considered a rural route and by their internal code the delivery people are not allowed to get out of their vehicles to put mail in boxes. They will not deliver if the boxes are obstructed and a clear ingress and egress needs to be available.

Cindy

Street view 1 actual size

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12-19-18

To Whom It May Concern,

Though I've enjoyed being on Traffic Safety Committee for several years, I now need to submit my resignation from the Committee effective 12-30-18.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the community.

Sincerely,

Donna Lawrence

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me after  
TSC mtg.  
Sent original  
to City Clerk  
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