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MINUTES

REGULAR TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

March 17, 2021

7:00 a.m.

VIA ZOOM

**PRESIDING:** Frank Pyles, Chair

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Frank Pyles, Fred Davis, Mike Kilkenny, Russ Brown, Michael Holloran, Larry Fairclo, Sandy Haechrel

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary; David Mills, Transportation Division Manager; Dale McCabe, City Engineer; Nikki Lesich, Codes Enforcement, Jeremiah Dutton, The Dalles Police Officer

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Jessica Metta, Mid-Columbia Economic Development District (MCEDD), Jesus Mendoza, MCEDD

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pyles at 7:12 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

It was moved by Brown and seconded by Kilkenny to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None.

**TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER REPORT**

- A) Transportation Manager, Mills reported his crew had installed four solar LED stop signs at the intersection of 14<sup>th</sup> Street and Trevitt Street and one solar LED stop sign at 10<sup>th</sup> and Washington Street.

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- B) The Transportation Division crew will be re-paving E 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Jefferson Street the week of 3/29 – 4/1/21.
- C) We will be grinding the westbound lane of W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street the week of 4/12 – 4/15/21. Westbound lane will be closed at Cherry Heights Road and the eastbound lane will remain open from 7am to 5pm.

## **CITY POLICE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

Codes Enforcement Officer, Nikki Lesich introduced herself and told the members about things she is currently working on, which consists of tree ordinance issues, abandoned vehicles, vegetation reduction, puncture vine abatement and abandoned or derelict housing issues. Please let her know if there is anything she can help with.

City Police Officer, Jeremiah Dutton was also present for the meeting but was not asked any specific questions.

## **CITY ENGINEER REPORT**

City Engineer, Dale McCabe let members know the street paving in the Park Place sub-division would be starting very soon.

He also reported the college will be getting a new sanitary sewer service installed off of Scenic Drive which mean Scenic Drive to be closed for the week starting March 22<sup>nd</sup> and running through March 26, 2021.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Commission member, Larry Fairclo reported he attended the February meeting but it was not noted in the minutes. It was moved by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Kilkenny to approve the corrected Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously, all Commissioners voting in favor.

Items approved on the consent agenda were: 1) Approval, with the above correction, of the February 17, 2021 Regular Traffic Safety Commission Meeting Minutes

## **ACTION ITEMS**

None.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A) City Engineer, McCabe reported there was no new information regarding when ODOT will be traveling to The Dalles for the update on the W 6<sup>th</sup> Street and Webber Street intersection.

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- B) Mid-Columbia Economic and Development District Executive Director, Jessica Metta, introduced the new Transportation Operations Manager, Jesus Mendoza to the group. Mr. Mendoza explained what MCEDD was asking for in terms of the LINK bus parking needs on 12<sup>th</sup> Street and he mentioned another location on Kelly Avenue that they were hoping to have a LINK bus stop located at also. McCabe told Metta and Mendoza the recommendation the Commission members had decided upon last month for the 12<sup>th</sup> Street request. Arrangements were made between Mendoza, McCabe and Mills to meet on the 12<sup>th</sup> Street site for further discussion.

### ROUNDS TO COLLECT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Brown wanted to express his thanks to the City for the fast response time they have given to him whenever he has reached out with a concern. Mills told the members there is a Complaint Form that is being developed and should be posted on the City's website soon.
- Kilkenny welcomed Officer Dutton to the Traffic Safety Commission group.
- Haechrel said she has been practicing the stop, look around, creep forward to get a better look and then proceeding forward when clear method of driving at the different locations around town where oncoming traffic is difficult to see.

### ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:57 a.m.

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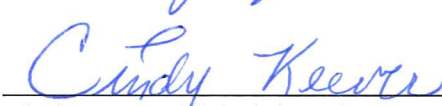
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Frank Pyles, Chair

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