MINUTES

REGULAR TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETNG

October 20, 2021 7:00 a.m.

VIA ZOOM

PRESIDING:

Frank Pyles, Chairman

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Fred Davis, Mike Kilkenny, Russ Brown, Sandy Haechrel, Larry

Fairclo and Michael Holloran (arrived at item #10)

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary, Dale McCabe – City

Engineer, Jeremy Dutton, The Dalles Police Department, and Darcy

Long-Curtis - City Councilperson Representative

GUESTS PRESENT:

Ajay Rundell – District #21, Kara Flath – District #21, Phil

Longnecker – Alta Planning and Kathy Fitzpatrick - MCEDD

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pyles at 7:02 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

5. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

None.

6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

City Engineer, Dale McCabe introduced District #21 staff, Chenowith School Principal Ajay Rundell and CFO, Kara Flath, Kathy Fitzpatrick with MCEDD and Phil Longnecker, Planner with Alta Planning. Each

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person expressed their desire to work together to help make the North Wasco County School District Safe Routes to School Plan a success.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER REPORT

David Mills was not present for the meeting but had prepared notes which were read by Dale McCabe.

- 1. The Transportation Division paved Quinton Street from E. 13th Street to E. 14th Street
- 2. The Transportation Division team poured 100 feet of a new sidewalk adjacent to Ixtapa Restaurant on Chenowith Street near Cherry Heights Road.
- 3. The ruts in the south travel lane of E. 3rd Street from Monroe Street to Taylor Street were ground out and then paved back to create a smooth surface.
- 4. The downtown Trick-or-Treat event is scheduled for next Friday, October 29th from 3pm to 5 pm. Please use caution when traveling downtown.
- 5. There will be a Veteran's Day parade next month, November 11th starting at 9 am.

B. CITY POLICE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

- 1. Officer Dutton reported there was a bad accident at the intersection of 2nd Street and Webber Street earlier in the week and a motorcyclist was badly hurt when a pickup did not yield the right of way to the south bound motorcyclist. This intersection has been discussed in the past and members asked if the street lights could be configured the same as they were recently changed to on Webber Street at the 6th Street intersection. McCabe will be forwarding the accident information to ODOT who is compiling information for that intersection.
- 2. There have been concerns of speeding on E. 12th Street consequently Officer Dutton has been patrolling the area more frequently. He has issued several citations with the goal of reducing traveling speeds.
- 3. The Police Department received a complaint of a pickup parking in the yellow zone on Kelly Avenue near the pedestrian bulb out causing visibility issues. Officer Dutton said the vehicle belongs to a business owner in the area and he will talk to him.
- 4. A concern was raised from a commission member about the vehicles parking near Pee Wee's Auto Detail at the bottom of 4th Street Grade. Customer vehicles are being staged on both sides of 4th Street and some are being parked in the yellow area making it very difficult

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to pull out onto 4th Street from Jefferson Street. Officer Dutton will talk to the owner of the detail shop about not parking in the yellow painted area.

C. CITY CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

None

D. <u>CITY ENGINEER REPORT</u>

The W. 15th Street Paving Project by Granite Construction Company has been successfully finished. The City is working with adjacent property owners for a few minor repairs and then the project will be complete.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the August 2021 and the September 2021 minutes were approved by Pyles, Davis, Kilkenny, Fairclo, Brown and Haechrel. Commissioner Holloran did not vote as he joined the meeting at a later time.

9. ACTION ITEMS

A) A request form concern was received from the Pomona Meadows Home Association President concerning vehicles that park in front of their bank of mail boxes on W. 10th Street next to Morel Street. A discussion was held regarding the best length for yellow curbing to accommodate the mailman's delivery vehicle.

Commission Brown made a motion to recommend painting the curb yellow on 10th Street approx. 20 feet east of the current bank of mail boxes. Commissioner Kilkenny seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 to 0 in favor, Pyles, Davis, Kilkenny, Haechrel, Fairclo and Brown in favor and Holloran absent.

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- B) City Engineer McCabe gave a brief history of the drop off and pick up issues for students and parents currently facing District #21 at their grade school sites of Chenowith Elementary and the Colonel Wright School. ODOT has awarded the school a grant and there will be a walking audit of those two area on November 4th, 2021. More meetings to follow as information is compiled.
- C) City staff talked about a site plan drawing from 1976 when Burgerville was first built and the design plans show the alley as being used to access their drive thru. No action needed.

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- D) A brief discussion was held regarding an illegally painted green curb in front of a house on Oregon Street near the 14th Street Intersection. The Transportation Division will be graying out the green paint later this week and no further action needed at this time.
- E) The installation of LED stop signs at the intersection of 4th Street and Washington Street is scheduled to occur once all items are received by Public Works.
- F) This issue was addressed earlier in the meeting under Office Dutton's staff report.

11. ROUNDS TO COLLECT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Submitted by/

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary

Public Works Department

SIGNED:

ATTEST:

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary

Public Works Department

Frank Pyles, Chair