

City of Newberg
Transportation Task Force
May 16, 2001
7:00 p.m. Newberg City Hall

City Manager Duane Cole called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance:

Present

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Leonard A. Rydell	601 Pinehurst	503 538 5700	larydell@teleport.com
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Mike Ragsdale	1119 N.W. 1 st St. Dundee	503 557 0617	Mike@rkaonline.com
Larry Anderson	112 N. Springbrook Road	503 538 9259	andeng@open.org
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Absent

Barbara Brown	101 W. Foothills, Dr.	503 538 7433	sofashionable@yahoo.com
Tim Weaver	P. O. Box 970,	503 538 9421	(City internal)

City Staff

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The mission of the Task Force is as follows:

1. Review, revise, prioritize and recommend the specific projects to be built to improve the transportation system. Determine if the community supports the identified projects.
2. Review, revise and recommend funding solutions, if any, that will be used to pay for the transportation system improvements identified on the priority list, including a time-line for completing the projects. Determine if the community would support funding the projects.
3. Provide a report to the City Council within four (4) months from the date of the first meeting of the task force.

The Task Force reviewed the preliminary report. There were some concerns expressed regarding the content. Generally these were as follows:

The pedestrian route depicted on the map was along the railroad right-of-way and this could be a less than satisfactory route. Staff indicated that an alternate would be depicted along 9th Street and then down College.

There was a discussion of the written comments received to date. These included the concept of deleting some of the projects from the list. The Task Force felt that none of the projects should be deleted since they were prioritized. The public may want to comment on all of the projects and the Task Force was not comfortable assuming that some projects would not be worth further consideration.

The Task Force decided to agree with the staff generated recommendation that the Storm Sewer fee be developed for their consideration.

There was a discussion of the policies. More detail was suggested to be added regarding the street standards. The staff indicated that this would be added but not prior to the Council meeting.

The Task Force discussed a cap on local improvement district charges. No specific cap was suggested since it could vary by project, but the idea was supported by the group.

The Task Force provide advise to staff regarding the over heads for the presentation to Council and many members agreed to attend the Council meeting on May 21st to provide in put and support.

There was a discussion regarding the Chehalem Valley Senior Citizens fixed route bus program. The staff explained the financial limits on the City and the need to reduce costs. The Task Force decided to explicitly add another project identifying the need to fund capital improvements for public transit as part of the transportation projects listed.

Community engagement was the next step in the process. Mike Ragsdale volunteered to help with this aspect and indicated that the Council may be willing to entertain a request that the Transportation Task Force be the first project for engaging the community.

Mr. Ragsdale also described the Washington County process for funding roads since he helped with the initiation of the program. It was a coalition of the business and community to build roads that help with traffic flow.

The Task Force discussed the potential that the community may re-prioritize the projects based on the perceived community needs in each area.

The next step for the Task Force will be to engage the community in a discussion of the projects and find out what they think about the funding mechanisms. Staff will put together a reasonably reliable financial model to use in order to estimate the potential revenues from a number of different revenue sources.

The Committee identified the next meeting date as May 29, Tuesday, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. City Hall. The Task Force will evaluate the input from the Council, discuss ways to engage the public, and set the direction for the community engagement process; provided that the Council approves on May 21st.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.