

AGENDA**TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING****The Dalles Public Works Department****1215 W 1st Street****The Dalles, OR 97058****December 18, 2024****7:00 a.m.****Via Zoom**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. PRESENTATION/PROCLAMATIONS
6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

During this portion of the meeting, anyone may speak on any subject which does not later appear on the agenda. Five minutes per person will be allowed. If a response by the City is requested, the speaker will be referred to Administrative Services support staff for further action. The issue may appear on a future meeting agenda for Commission consideration.

7. STAFF REPORTS
 - A. TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER REPORT
 - B. CITY POLICE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT
 - C. CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT
 - D. CITY ENGINEER REPORT

CITY OF THE DALLES**"By working together, we will provide services that enhance the vitality of The Dalles"**

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of October 16th minutes, November 6th Special Session minutes and November 20th, 2024 minutes

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Request for Three Additional Street Lights on Walnut Street between 10th Street and 13th Street

10. ROUNDS TO COLLECT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Additional agenda items can be submitted until noon on the 1st Tuesday of each month. Mail traffic safety items to 1215 W First Street, The Dalles, OR 97058 or e-mail to [**trafficsafety@ci.the-dalles.or.us**](mailto:trafficsafety@ci.the-dalles.or.us)

11. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting is conducted In Person and via Zoom.

Prepared by/
Cynthia Keever, Administrative Secretary
Public Works Department

December 18, 2024

Agenda Item #9 A - Request for three additional street lights on Walnut Street @ 10th Street, Sandy Lane and 13th Street

Citizen Request – “Walnut Street is a major thoroughfare for vehicles and pedestrians traveling between 10th and 13th Streets. There are no street lights, creating a dangerous situation. Also, street lights are known to reduce crime (e.g. prowlers/break-ins). Recommend adding a street light at the intersection of 10th and Walnut, the intersection of Walnut and 13th, the intersection of Walnut and Sandy Lane, and the intersection of Walnut and 13th Street. The added lighting would create a safer environment for the residents of this section of Walnut Street and those who transit the area between 10th and 13th Streets. Thank you.”



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REGULAR TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

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7:00 a.m.

Via Zoom

PRESIDING: Frank Pyles, Vice - Chairman

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Michael Holloran, Russ Brown, Jayme Reineccius, Sandy Haechrel and Bob Wood

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Mike Kilkenny

STAFF PRESENT: Dale McCabe – City Engineer, David Mills – Transportation Manager, Nikki Lesich – Codes Enforcement, Chris Autry – Codes Enforcement, Jeremiah Dutton – Police Department, Dan Richardson – Council Representative and Cindy Keverer - Administrative Secretary

GUESTS PRESENT: Patrick Matson

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kilkenny at 7:03 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the October agenda was made by Pyles and seconded by Brown. Motion carried unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

None

6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Patrick Matson spoke to the commission regarding several problems he believes needs addressed in the area of W 20th Street and Radio Way.

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Matson requested the following; 1) A stop bar be painted at the NE corner of W 20th Street and Radio Way. 2) A solid or dashed lines near the W 20th Street and Radio Way intersection so that traffic heading south doesn't veer into the downhill traffic lane, 3) A stop sign on the SE corner of Radio Way and 4) At the intersection of W 20th Street and W Scenic Drive the street sign needs to be adjusted so the names of the streets can be seen by drivers on W Scenic Drive from both directions.

A discussion was held among members and it was agreed a stop bar could be painted on the asphalt on the NE corner of 20th Street and Radio Way and a yield sign could be installed at the SE corner of Radio Way and 20th Street. Mills said he would adjust the street sign on 20th as much as he could to make it visible in all directions. No action taken on the request for a solid or dashed line.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER REPORT

1. The Transportation team will begin grinding the ruts on W 6th Street by the Barbeque restaurant. The east bound lane will be ground first and once that is complete half of the west bound lane will be worked on.
2. Crack sealing of the roads will begin soon. This project is weather dependent.

B. CITY POLICE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

No report given.

C. CITY CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

1. Lesich said she has been working all over town with her new co-worker Chris Autry on these various issues; A) illegal painting of yellow curbs, B) removing junk and vehicles in ROW and C) working with railroad law enforcement regarding illegal camps.
2. McCabe asked if the person in the white pickup and motorhome living on 1st Street is being cited for continually parking on 1st Street. The stains on the street show where he is continually urinating creating an unsightly and unhealthy area. Lesich said she is working with the owner of the motor home to get him moved.
3. Brown asked Lesich if there was a way to track which homeowners or business owners continually blow leaves and debris into street even after receiving letters from the city telling them they are in violation of city ordinances when they do that. No tracking mechanism at this time.

D. CITY ENGINEER REPORT

1. The 10th Street Safe Routes to School Project (SRTS) is continuing. It is the engineer's

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goal to have the project awarded at the City Council meeting in February 2025.

2. The E 12th Street Storm and Sidewalk Improvements Projects will be going to bid soon. Going to City Council meeting on November 25th for award of contract.

3. The contractor RBC is just finishing up at E 9th/Quinton/ E 10th Street. The City's Wastewater Collection team is anticipating starting the sanitary sewer work September 30th and completing by the end of October. Resume completion of the storm lines in the spring of 2025.

4. The West 2nd Street Utility Upgrade Project is done!

5. The 6th Street Widening Project is moving forward with Requests for Bids going out soon. Once bids are received information will go to the City Council for approval and award at the December City Council meetings.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Pyles asked for item 7A, #2 address be changed and task be clarified. It was moved by Holloran and seconded by Brown to approve the corrected September minutes. Pyles, Kilkenny, Wood and Haechrel voted in favor. Motion carried unanimously. Reineccius absent.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Holloran shared with the TSC information regarding talking with ODOT/Dan Shanahan and the issues ODOT is facing in the area on Hwy 197 between the freeway overpass and the entrance into the Lone Pine area. Pyles asked if the city can lower the speed limit in that area. McCabe said that stretch of road is under ODOT jurisdiction and they are the only entity that can change the speed limit.

10. ROUNDS TO COLLECT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Holloran asked McCabe about any progress being made regarding the roundabout on US Hwy 197 and the Lone Pine intersection. Short discussion followed and Holloran will contact ODOT for further information.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:45 a.m.

Submitted by/
Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary
Public Works Department

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Frank Pyles, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary
Public Works Department

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SPECIAL SESSION TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

November 6, 2024

7:00 a.m.

Via Zoom

PRESIDING: Mike Kilkenny, Chairman

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Bob Wood, Sandy Haechrel and Jayme Reineccius

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Michael Holloran, Russ Brown, Frank Pyles

STAFF PRESENT: Dale McCabe – City Engineer, Jamie Carrico and Jeremiah Dutton – Police Department, and Cindy Keever - Administrative Secretary

GUESTS PRESENT: None

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kilkenny at 7:05 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Wood made a motion to approve the Special Session agenda. Reineccius seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

5. SPECIAL SESSION WORKSHOP – PHOTO RADAR DISCUSSION

Discussion about the need for photo radar and the webinar from Tigard, Oregon regarding their experiences. One member thought it would be a useful tool to help slow traffic down, especially in the downtown corridor.

More discussion occurred with other members believing it is more cost effective and important to hire a traffic officer to have an in person officer who stops drivers which helps deter, educate and enforce laws. There were questions and discussion regarding the increased costs to implement the program. The actual number of tickets that would be generated from our relatively small community can't fiscally be justified.

6. IDEAS TO PRESENT TO CITY COUNCIL GOAL SETTING SESSION

Discussion regarding ideas to present to Councilman Richardson for the upcoming Goal Setting Session were as follows;

- 1) Mobile police trailer (similar to the current model - \$13,000) and
- 2) Signage for two Left Turn Permitted signs, at the signal lights on Union and 3rd Streets and at Washington and 3rd Streets. Transportation Manager, David Mills would have an estimate on actual costs.

Suggestions were also made to increase continuous public awareness and safety for the public through City newsletters, short videos showing correct driving habits vs incorrect habits that are often witnessed but are still being done wrong (viewable on City’s website, City Police App and You Tube channel), flyers, education in schools, organizations, talk show guest, newspaper articles and public service announcements (PSA)

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:40 a.m.

Submitted by/
Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary
Public Works Department

SIGNED:

Mike Kilkenny, Chairman

ATTEST:

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary
Public Works Department

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REGULAR TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

November 20, 2024

7:00 a.m.

Via Zoom

- PRESIDING:** Mike Kilkenny, Chairman
- COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Michael Holloran, Russ Brown, Frank Pyles, Sandy Haechrel and Bob Wood
- COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Jayme Reineccius
- STAFF PRESENT:** Dale McCabe – City Engineer, David Mills – Transportation Manager, Nikki Lesich and Chris Autry – Codes Enforcement Department, Jamie Carrico and Jeremy Dutton – City Police Department and Cindy Kever - Administrative Secretary
- GUESTS PRESENT:** None

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kilkenny at 7:00 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the November agenda was made by Pyles and seconded by Brown. Motion carried unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

None

6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER REPORT

1. The Transportation team are currently working on making sure all sanders and snow plows are ready to go for the season. They will be operating three smaller sanders with plows and one larger sander with a plow. Two of the smaller sanders are electric powered and capable of deploying salt, magnesium chloride and sand.
2. The asphalt plant will be closing on November 27th, 2024. The Transportation team is trying to get all potholes filled in before the plant closes for the season.

B. CITY POLICE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

1. Carrico reported with the force now being fully staffed they will soon have two full time traffic officers working around town.
2. The question was asked of the commission for potential areas for the radar trailer to be parked as a reminder for drivers to drive the speed limit. Suggestions were given.

C. CITY CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

Lesich and Autry said they have been busy with a large variety of items.

1. Working on compliance for the list of trees and bushes that need trimmed around town.
2. The vehicles that continue to park in the yellow painted curb area on Webber Street at the W 1st Street intersection are now being given citations.
3. Working with citizens who have been painting yellow curbs in front of their homes, educating them that painting yellow curbs themselves is not allowed.
4. Reported since July the Codes Enforcement Department has dealt with 34 abandoned and illegally parked cars, trailers and motorhomes.
5. Currently working with the railroad to get permission to fly along the railroad tracks with drones to monitor illegal camping activities.

D. CITY ENGINEER REPORT

1. Bid opening for two upcoming projects have been completed. City Council will award the contracts at the November 25th and December 9th meeting respectively. The 12th Street Storm and Sidewalk Improvements Project and the W 6th Street Widening Project will begin the process as soon as the contracts have been officially awarded.

The 10th Street Safe Routes to School Project (SRTS) is continuing. The goal of having the project presented and awarded at the February 2025 City Council meeting is still on track.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of October 16, 2024 minutes will be included with the December agenda.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

10. ROUNDS TO COLLECT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:31 a.m.

Submitted by/
Cindy Kever, Administrative Secretary
Public Works Department

SIGNED:

Frank Pyles, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

Cindy Kever, Administrative Secretary
Public Works Department