#### AGENDA

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING
The Dalles Public Works Department
1215 W 1st Street
The Dalles, OR 97058
September 17, 2025
7:00 a.m.

#### Via Zoom

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 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
- 8. CONSENT AGENDA

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#### 9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Pedestrian and Bike Safety on Sidewalks in Downtown Core Area Continuation
- B. 7th Street and Richland Court Visibility Issues Continuation
- C. Request for 4-Way Stop at 14th and Bridge Street Intersection
- D. Bicycle Traffic on West 1st Street Recommendations
- E. Crosswalk Request at Bottom of 4th Street Grade and Jefferson Street

#### 10. ROUNDS TO COLLECT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

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## 11. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting is conducted In Person and via Zoom.

Prepared by/ Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary Public Works Department

Traffic Safety Agenda Item September 17, 2025 Item #9A Pedestrian & Bike Safety

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Oregon Motorized and Non-motorized Device Reference Guide. Max Capable Max Ride on Ride in Description Registration Insurance Helmet Passenge Lights Implied Age Consent Yes Electric Scooter Yes 24 15 16 No No No No No Yes No Yes Yes at Gas Scooter Bike Mph Mph night Electric - Max Power 1000 waits output Gas - Under 35.01ce's. Both cannot operate faster than 24 mph. If an electric or gas scooter exceeds either the maximum allowed speed, maximum capable speed or engine size, it is classified as a moped or motorcycle and must meet all of the requirements of the Cannot Pocket Bike 24+ Yes Mini Motorcycle Yes No Yes Yes Yes Below Mph Drive on Private Property Only Cannot be operated on roads/highways or premises open to the public. These are off-road use only vehicles. These are NOT motor assisted scooters since the engine is more than 35.01 ces and faster than 24mph. These are considered a moped or motorcycle due to ce size and do not meet standards set by The Department of Transportation. Must have a license to operate. If license is suspended or no insurance, cite and tow the bike. These also require insurance and a registration to operate. \*Although pocket bikes may not be ridden on roadways or premise open to the public, anyone riding them can still be cited for any violation of license, registration or insurance. Yes under Moped 16 Yes Yes Yes No No Yes DOT human Mph Dower Operation of this is the same as a motorcycle. Engine size is limited to 35.01 to 50 ccs. Any moped equipped with a power source, EXCEPT electric assisted bike or a motor assisted scooter designed to travel w/no more than 3 wheels in contact with the ground, has an independent power source capable of unassisted speed not more than 30mph on level surface. It is equipped with a power drive system that functions directly or automatically only and does not require clutching or shifting by the operator after the system is engaged. Requires a driver's license (but not a motorcycle endorsement), registration and insurance to operate on public roadways and premises open to the public. If a moped exceeds either maximum capable speed or engine size, it would be classified as a motorcycle and then must meet all of the requirements of that classification. Tow for DWS / No insurance Electric Yes 15 Personal Assistive
Mobility Device No No No No Yes Yes Yes No 16 No Yes at Mph night Can operate in bicycle lanes and paths, sidewalls and highways with speed limits of 35 mph or less. Electric personal assistive mobility device is self-balancing on two non-tandem wheels. It's designed to transport 1 person in standing position. Has an electric propulsion system with a maximum speed of 15mph. Unlike bicyclists, operators of these scooters must be at least 16 years old, and the new law creates the offense of operating such a vehicle in an unsafe manner Yes Electric Yes 20 Yes No Yes Yes No Assisted Bike Bike Mph night Trent as a bicycle per ORS 814.405 An electric assisted bicycle shall be considered a bicycle, rather than a motor vehicle, for purposes of the Oregon Vehicle Code, except when otherwise specifically provided by statute. The same rules apply to this bicycle as do a "normal" bicycle. These are considered a VEHICLE. Electric assisted bike has both fully operative pedals for human propulsion and electric motor w/power output not more than 1,000 watts. Max speed no more than 20mph on level ground Yes Under Bicycle No No Restricted Yes Yes Yes Yes No at A bicycle is considered a vehicle and must the operator must obey the rules of the road. Approved lighting must be used when operating under limited visibility. Skateboard / Under No Yes No No No No No Yes Yes Yes 16 Skate Scooter Roller / In-line Under No No No No No Yes Yes Yes Yes No Skates 16

<sup>\*</sup>If the operators privileges to drive is suspended or they are under 16 years of age, they cannot legally operate ANY motor vehicle on roadway or premises open to the public. A motor assisted scooter is a motor vehicle although it is not required to be registered or insured under Oregon Law.

Cindy Keever

From:

**Todd Stephens** 

Sent:

Thursday, July 17, 2025 12:22 PM

To:

Cindy Keever

Cc:

James Sprague; Michael Bosse; Cynthia Roe

Subject: Attachments:

Sight Triangle 7th and Richland 7thandRichlandSightTriangle.pdf

Cindy,

Attached is the clear vision triangle that was brought into traffic safety for 7<sup>th</sup> and Richland Court. Looking at the intersection the parked vehicles do appear to be blocking the clear vision for the traffic on Richland approaching West 7<sup>th</sup> Street. As discussed in traffic safety a no parking sign could be placed at where the parking strip blocks the vision triangle to not allow parking within the vision clearance of the intersection. This will eliminate 2 parking spaces out along West 7<sup>th</sup> Street. The existing fence line appears to be encroaching out into the right-of-way a few feet and if the fence line was relocated back onto the property the vehicle parking spaces could be retained.

Todd Stephens, P.E. City Engineer City of The Dalles 1215 West First Street The Dalles, OR 97058 PH: (541) 296-5401 #2007

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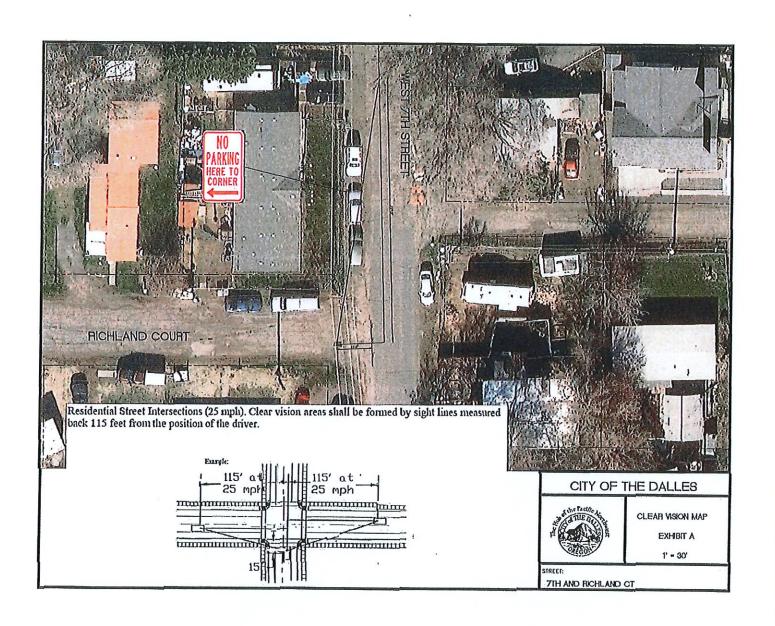
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Item August 20, 2025 (Continued 9/17/25)

Item #9B

7<sup>th</sup> Street & Richland Court



## Incident ID: 38026 Details

Title

Traffic Signal Issues

Address

619 W 14th St, The Dalles, OR 97058, USA

Status

New

**Assigned To** 

Traffic Safety

Reported By Name

**Guest User** 

Reported By Email

support@revize.com

Acknowledged Date/Time

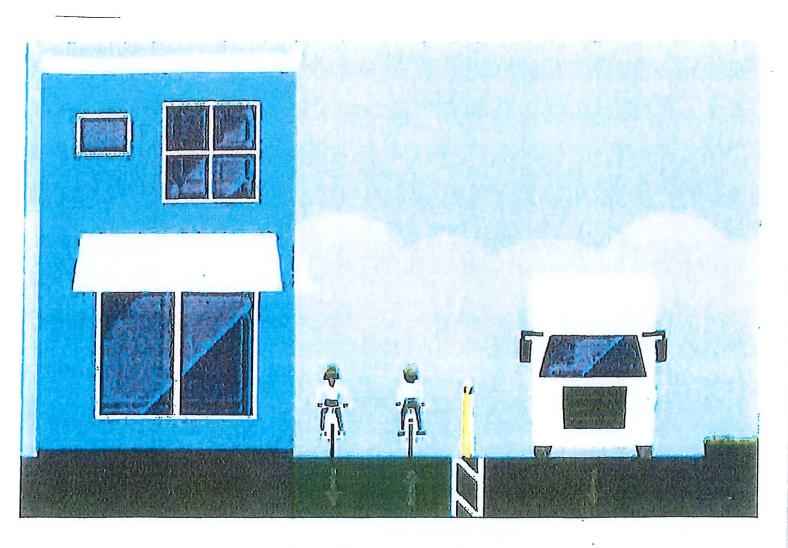
08-27-2025 at 12:43

Other Questions asked

#### 1) Please describe the Issue

I think that there needs to be a STOP SIGN at the west end of the Colonel Wright elementary building, for the East bound and West bound lanes at the intersection of West 14th street and Bridge Street. This is VERY confusing, as it differs from the East corner intersection of the elementary school at West 14th Street and Trevitt Street. I have personally almost got side swiped twice, because drivers do not realize that it is a through way, rather than a four way stop. Please take this seriously before someone gets hurt.

Traffic Safety Commission Meeting September 17, 2025 Agenda Item # 9D



West 1st Street Recommendation? 2 way bicycle traffic with painted delineation lines or traffic candles between cars and bicycles (see picture above)

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Item #9E

Request for Crosswalks – Bottom of 4<sup>th</sup> Street Grade and Jefferson Street

# Proposed Crosswalk and sidewalk improvements







School Bus Pickup Site



School Bus Dropoff Site

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#### **MINUTES**

#### REGULAR TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

August 20, 2025 7:00 a.m.

#### Via Zoom

PRESIDING:

Mike Kilkenny, Chairman

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** 

Russ Brown, Michael Holloran, Bob Wood, Jim Schwinof and

Jayme Reineccius

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** 

Randy Cole

STAFF PRESENT:

Todd Stephens – City Engineer, Cynthia Roe – City EIT, David Mills

- PW Deputy Director, Doug Kramer - Sgt. City Police, Dan

Richardson – Council Representative, Jonathan Kara – City Attorney,

Nikki Lesich - Codes Enforcement Officer and Cindy Keever -

Administrative Secretary

**GUESTS PRESENT:** 

Rod Runyon, Sherry Runyon, Linda Glanden, Julie Wilburn, Kelly

Howsley Glover and Julie Ryan

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kilkenny at 7:04 a.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

#### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the August agenda was made by Brown and seconded by Holloran. Motion approved by Kilkenny, Schwinof, Wood and Reineccius. Cole absent.

#### 5. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

None

## 6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

A. Rod Runyon handed out paperwork and spoke on behalf of the neighborhood of W Scenic Drive, near the Lincoln Street intersection. Neighbors are very concerned with the high rate of speed drivers are attempting to drive through the Scenic Drive curves and the wrecks (six) that have occurred in the last

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several years. Neighbors believe the speeds have increased substantially over the last two or three years.

Runyon requested additional speed signs in the area, ideally solar powered radar speed sign or an equivalent that would notify drivers when they are traveling over the speed limit. The need for additional police patrol to deter speeding and the cost and effectiveness of the solar powered radar speed signs was discussed.

B. Judy Merrell gave TSC members several handouts regarding bicycles on city streets and spoke more about her concerns about pedestrians and riders sharing the sidewalk.

Jonathan Kara spoke with the group about the General ORS 801.010 ordinance from the Oregon Vehicle Code that addresses definitions of different types of bicycles.

Reineccius thought it isn't realistic to expect no e-bikes or motorized scooters on sidewalks. They too have to have safe places to ride. Merrill said that through her research she has found other cities are implementing walk only zones. Kara said that the city does have some ordinances regarding sleds and skates on sidewalks but it hasn't been updated since 2010 so updates are needed. Kara recommended, after further discussion in August that the Traffic Safety Committee make a recommendation to the City Council to update the City Ordinance to reflect e-bikes.

Merrill suggested members check on the ordinances in Hood River regarding riding on sidewalks. This item will be brought up again in the August meeting.

## 7. STAFF REPORTS

## A. TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER REPORT

- 1) ADA curb and sidewalk installations on 13<sup>th</sup> between Washington Street and Union Street is continuing throughout the summer. This schedule should achieve paving in the fall.
- 2) The city is currently working, this week, in conjunction with the Wasco County Road Department, painting all of the long line striping areas around town.
- 3) The paving of the alley between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street from Washington Street to Court Street will be coming up soon. Exact date unknown at this time.
- 4) The Transportation Division has welcomed three new operators to their division since June 30<sup>th</sup>, bringing them closer to being fully staffed.

## B. <u>CITY POLICE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT</u>

1) Sgt. Kramer spoke briefly about the accidents at the intersection of Trevitt Street and 12<sup>th</sup> Street.

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- 2) New police officers and traffic safety officers are finishing training so more police presence is out on the streets.
- 3) Current traffic grants have been extended for another year.
- 4) If someone is experiencing a pattern of speeding or unsafe driving in their neighborhood, please let the police department know and they will try and have extra patrol during those reported times.

#### C. CITY CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

- 1) Vegetation continues to grow and cause problems, whether it's late blooming puncture vine or trees and shrubs blocking sidewalks or street signs. Lesich reported there is a new company that rents goats for eradication of vegetation on areas that are difficult to access.
- 2) Lesich said she has a new Codes Enforcement partner and things are working out well.
- 3) Codes has been working with PW to have vehicles moved for upcoming projects. She's also been working with the management of the Commadore Building. The city requires their tenants to park down on 1<sup>st</sup> Street in their designated areas. Tenants aren't allowed long term parking in the downtown core area.

#### D. CITY ENGINEERS REPORT

- 1. Stephens reported several big projects around town are continuing throughout the summer and into the fall season.
  - a) On 10<sup>th</sup> Street there has been a slight delay waiting on a local utility. Flat work, ADA ramps and paving are currently on hold. Working with Crestline and the school district to find the best time to finish the project.
  - b) Continuing with assistance to the Transportation Division for their ADA concrete ramp projects.
  - c) The 6<sup>th</sup> Street Widening Project is continuing. All curb work is done, extension of the storm sewer to the Hostetler tie-in is continuing and the plan is to pave in mid-September.

#### 8. CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Holloran and seconded by Brown to approve the July minutes. Kilkenny, Schwinof, Reineccius and Woods voted in favor. Cole was absent. Motion carried.

## 9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Brown began the continued discussion regarding pedestrian and bike safety on sidewalks in the downtown core areas. A handout was given to members from City Attorney Kara on the Oregon Vehicle Codes. The information contained licensing requirements and definitions for different types of

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transportation that isn't vehicles or motorcycles. It was agreed that a public awareness campaign to educate the public would be helpful. Discussion was held between members regarding areas that scooters, etc. should be ridden and what is safe in one person's mind is not in another's opinion. Brown made a motion to recommend to the Public Works Director, City Manager and City Council that an ordinance needs to be created addressing the various types of transportation (that excludes vehicles and motorcycles) and the areas they need to be restricted to (streets vs. sidewalks). The downtown area being proposed for restrictions is on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street between Lincoln Street and Taylor Street. Also, need to review what the current ordinance addresses and make suggested updates. Schwinof seconded the motion. Holloran, Kilkenny and Reineccius voting in favor. Woods voting nay. Cole absent.

- B. 7th Street and Richland Court Visibility Issues postponed until September meeting.
- C. Crosswalk Request on Dry Hollow Road and 10th Street postponed until September meeting.
- D. Neighbors Wilburn, Howsley-Glover and Ryan are all neighbors who live near the intersection of Trevitt Street and 12<sup>th</sup> Street. They would like some type of speed monitoring box on Trevitt to slow the traffic down. They have also requested additional yellow curb paint on the NE corner of Trevitt Street. Four accidents, since January 2025, and many near misses have been witnessed. A request was made to trim the tree branches away from the stop sign on the NE corner of Trevitt Street and 12<sup>th</sup> Street. Neighbors believe these things would greatly improve the visibility for the drivers crossing Trevitt Street. A discussion followed regarding the best way to accomplish the neighbors' concerns. Holloran made a motion to have Public Works conduct a Clear Vision Triangle test and trim the tree

branches away from the stop sign so drivers have a clear view of the stop sign. Also included in the motion was to have Public Works paint white stop bars on 12<sup>th</sup> Street, with possibly the word STOP painted on the asphalt too. The painting of 20 foot of yellow curbs on the NE corners of 12<sup>th</sup> Street and on Trevitt Street was included in the motion. Woods seconded the motion. Brown, Kilkenny, Wood, Schwinof and Reineccius all in favor. Cole absent.

A Codes Enforcement letter will be sent to the property owner adjacent to the stop sign on 12<sup>th</sup> Street regarding the tree that needs a long-term trimming plan so it doesn't block the stop sign.

#### 10. ROUNDS TO COLLECT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Due to time constraints, two items from the August meeting, Items #9B & #9C, will need to be carried over to the September meeting.

Holloran let fellow commissioners know August is his last meeting. He is moving out of town. This will create an opening on the Traffic Safety Commission if anyone knows of someone who may be interested in joining the group.

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## 11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:30a.

Submitted by/

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary

Public Works Department

SIGNED:

Mike Kilkenny, Chairman

ATTEST:

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary

Public Works Department