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Form: [Transportation Systems Plan Project Comment Form](#) [1]

Submitted by Visitor (not verified)

Wed, 10/05/2022 - 11:50am

Name

Leslie Honey

E-Mail

Organization Affiliation (If Any)

Phone Number

Comment:

Hello,

I noticed that Lane County TSP has removed a bike lane project along Rhododendron Drive to Heceta Beach Road from their updated project list. The note says to refer to Florence TSP. I tried looking around various links, but couldn't find anything specific

I was wondering if Florence is planning on a bike path along Rhododendron Drive.

Thank you for your feedback

Thank you for your input.

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Form: [Transportation Systems Plan Project Comment Form](#) [1]

Submitted by Visitor (not verified)

Thu, 11/03/2022 - 5:53pm

Name

Neal Hadley

E-Mail

Organization Affiliation (If Any)

Phone Number

Comment:

E-bikes are the wave of the future. Currently there are more e-bikes sold in the nation than e-cars. The majority of (non vacationing) car trips are under 6 miles. There are not that many in Florence now, but the next ten years will produce a different story. Their advantages for cost, traffic reduction, and climate impact are tremendous and the younger generation is waking up to this. The biggest roadblock to their increased adoption is having to share roads that are obviously designed for cars alone, with bikes an afterthought; a safety issue that especially deters older bike riders who would love the ease of e-bike propulsion around "mostly flat" Florence. Planning now for creating safe bike thoroughfares is forward thinking and big livability plus for Florence.

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No

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Submission information

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Submitted by Visitor (not verified)

Fri, 11/04/2022 - 8:17am

Name

Kyle Terry

E-Mail

Organization Affiliation (If Any)

Phone Number

Comment:

Thanks for the City Staff and Consultant's commitment and technical expertise on the update to the TSP. In addition to the very important aspects of a TSP that are way over my head, I am writing to advocate for a small but important component to a good transportation system, and that is pedestrian infrastructure. It is more important than some may think. Several benefits come from well-designed pedestrian systems connecting centers of activity, and linking residential districts to business and commercial districts. These include physical and mental health to users, relief on traffic pressure and reduction in street maintenance costs, serving community members who do not own vehicles, drawing tourists and fostering a sense of community within the neighborhoods our pedestrian routes pass through. In addition to the excellent streets and parks work the city is doing, and a great effort on trails which includes the 12th Street project, please include work on an interconnected trail system. Paths of various surface types and accessibility levels could be built in strategic (and cost effective) locations around the community and tied into activity centers. The Comprehensive Plan, Parks and Rec Plan, and Downtown Plan all commit to this goal. The Parks Plan includes many great ideas that could be revisited, and possibly redesigned a bit considering the time that's passed. The concepts in that plan are great but some of the specific routes could be reconsidered and put out to the community for input. There is consistent funding for this through the Recreational Trails program and a phased trail project could be funded for several consecutive cycles, especially if it is included in the TSP. If a strong focus on this pedestrian infrastructure is just too overwhelming with everything else needing to be done, that's totally understandable. I'm just advocating while there is a chance and trust your team to do whatever is best with the resources they have.

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From: [Wendy Farley-Campbell](#)
To: [Shirley Gray](#)
Subject: FW: Input Needed from Chamber for City Transportatation Plan
Date: Monday, November 7, 2022 2:59:10 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

From: Jo Beaudreau [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 7, 2022 9:29 AM
To: Wendy Farley-Campbell <wendy.farleycampbell@ci.florence.or.us>
Subject: Fwd: Input Needed from Chamber for City Transportatation Plan

Hi Wendy!

Here is a note from a community member for the Transportation Plan. I believe this was also noted on the boards at the open house.

Sincerely,

Jo

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Richard Colton** [REDACTED]
Date: Sat, Nov 5, 2022 at 3:06 PM
Subject: RE: Input Needed from Chamber for City Transportatation Plan
To: Jo Beaudreau [REDACTED]

I would love to see a bike path along Rhody for bikes and runners.

Thank you



Rich Colton

Director of Marketing

Three Rivers Casino Resort



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From: Jo Beaudreau [REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, November 4, 2022 1:48 PM

To: [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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Cc: Erin Reynolds <erin.reynolds@ci.florence.or.us>; Wendy Farley-Campbell <wendy.farleycampbell@ci.florence.or.us>; Shirley Gray [REDACTED]

Subject: Input Needed from Chamber for City Transportation Plan

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Project Information

City Website HERE: <https://www.ci.florence.or.us/planning/florence-transportation-system-plan-tsp-update-project>

Project Website is HERE:

<https://www.projectcomment.com/websites/85>

My RAW meeting

[REDACTED]

Report Out

I'd also like to have an opportunity to share with you information at our next board meeting.

Sincerely,

Jo

From: [Peighton Allen](#)
To: [Wendy Farley-Campbell](#); [Shirley Gray](#)
Subject: FW: Form submission from: Transportation Systems Plan Project Comment Form
Date: Monday, November 7, 2022 7:08:52 PM

Thank you,

Peighton Allen
Management Analyst
[REDACTED]

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Florence, OR 97439

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From: megan.messmer@ci.florence.or.us <megan.messmer@ci.florence.or.us>
Sent: Monday, November 07, 2022 5:31 PM
To: Peighton Allen <peighton.allen@ci.florence.or.us>
Subject: Form submission from: Transportation Systems Plan Project Comment Form

Submitted on Monday, November 7, 2022 - 5:30pm

Submitted by anonymous user: [REDACTED]

Submitted values are:

Name Pat Allen

E-Mail [REDACTED]

Organization Affiliation (If Any) retired

Phone Number [REDACTED]

Comment:

The configuration of Highway 101 southbound just before the bridge where the road goes from two lanes to one is extremely dangerous. Over the last 3 years I have observed many "near misses" because of inattention to signs stating the road is narrowing, the speeding of some drivers to get ahead of the car in front of them, and drivers not signaling their intention to make a right turn (this will get worse when the Dairy Queen reopens). Is there a way to fix this?

Would you like to be signed up for the Transportation System Plan Update project email distribution list? Yes

The results of this submission may be viewed at:





TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN UPDATE COMMENT SHEET

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

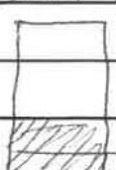


Big Fan of Florence's future aspirations
also, TREE Hugger. All things in moderation.

1. Are there any other gaps and/or deficiencies that should be addressed?

- ① Install TRASH CANS to be dumped by either municipal or private staff.
- ② Has anyone asked How Big we want to get?? Is there an upper limit? I hope so.
- ③ Amenities to address hygiene/sanitation for people with few options.

2. Are there any transportation systems needs missing?

- ① Light rail
 - ② Change to the way communities are developed so that amenities are near housing, & work can be too.
- 

← 2 or 3 story building

shops including groceries

upstairs = residences
Elevators
ADA access

3. What else would you like us to know?

Florence needs another swimming pool or 2 where public can swim, either for a fee or by some other arrangement. Can new hotel have a pool & offer memberships? (for example) A salt water pool is easier to clean/maintain & is healthier. Best time to build = when ground is being excavated



TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN UPDATE

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Do the goals align with your vision for the city?
Will the objectives help meet the goals?

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	What would you change?
GOAL 1 CREATING A SAFE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FOR ALL							
Prioritize the safe movement for all users and for all modes within the community along city, county, and state roadways. Minimize crashes and fatalities that occur on the transportation network.							
Objective 1A	Address known safety issues at locations with a history of fatal or severe injury crashes						Comprehensive traffic lights @ Munsie Lake & 101, Kingwood & 35th St, Kingwood & 9th St.
Objective 1B	Provide safe pedestrian crossings on state highways and at additional locations off state highways						I would like to see some wildlife overpasses, too. Tonight I read that road kill costs \$8B annually nationally.
Objective 1C	Support roadway improvements that provide safe access for all users, regardless of age, ability, or mode of transportation						Including NO cars on Bay between Nopal & Kingwood. Maybe a shuttle & pedd rickshaws to accommodate w/c's, mobility impairments.
GOAL 2 BUILDING RIGHT-SIZED FACILITIES THAT SUPPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ARE COST-EFFECTIVE							
Build transportation facilities that are suited for the community and its continued economic development. These facilities do not necessarily need to be built to accommodate summer peak periods.							What about E.V.'s & change? Can Josh Huring & River City Taxi apply for federal \$ to add EV to taxi & Rhody Express fleets?
Objective 2A	Provide convenient access for motor vehicles, transit, bicycles and pedestrians to major activity centers						
Objective 2B	Design streets, bikeways and walkways to meet the needs of pedestrians and cyclists to promote convenient circulation						oops! skipped a line -
Objective 2C	Provide the efficient movement of goods, services, and people and maintain City minimum vehicular operating standards						Change location of proposed fuel depot from Public Works
Objective 2D	Preserve the function of both US 101 and US 126 for regional traffic while building transportation connections between the City and these highways						Can 101/126 intersection become a roundabout? to Florence Biz Park location. Put flow grow plant
Objective 2E	Minimize negative impacts of vehicular traffic to existing and future neighborhoods, and to developable and developed commercial and industrial sites						near Public Works - Eco-tourism destination
Objective 2F	Balance the City's strong tourism economy with the transportation related impacts from visitors						NO cars on Bay St. Pedestrian, bike, scooter... How to do deliveries? I know it's a HUGE issue. Maybe NO cars after certain time.
GOAL 3 MEETING THE WIDE-RANGING TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OF ALL USERS							OR - Delivery vehicles only! e.g. UPS, restaurant supply.
Build a transportation system that meets the needs of all users in Florence. Invest in non-automotive transportation modes to help people travel within Florence. Connect neighborhoods to major activity centers without needing to use an automobile.							
Objective 3A	Create a non-motorized network that has a high degree of comfort (i.e. minimal Level of Traffic Stress)						Bus/rail lines Rail can go up the middle of street. See Phoenix Light Rail for examples, Valley Metro Rail
Objective 3B	Close key gaps in the pedestrian or non-motorized system, creating short, easy, and accessible loops within the network						Bus routes connect to commuter lines, bike lanes, etc. ★ Revisit ferry system for trips to N/S Getup @ Water's edge.
Objective 3C	Provide pedestrian or non-motorized connectivity to schools, business districts, transit stops and corridors, and/or parks - including bicycle parking						
Objective 3D	Promote demand management programs (i.e. incentives to use non-automotive modes, parking management) to reduce single occupancy vehicle trips						STOP amenities: How about TRASH CANS?? also, bike building with toilets, sinks & showers - perhaps showers can be limited access/coin operated... other places have it
Objective 3E	Support frequent and reliable transit service for transit stops and corridors, including (but not limited to) stop amenities, identifying a regional service hub, etc.						see public shower directory on line OR can certain MOTELS become part of the SOLUTION... https://

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		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	What would you change?
GOAL 4	MINIMIZING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS						
	Support policies and programs that minimize pollution and reduce impacts to the environment and climate change. Support environmental justice policies, recognizing that transportation impacts are more likely to be felt negatively by historically marginalized communities.						
Objective 4A	Minimize the impacts on natural and cultural resources when constructing transportation facilities	yes					
Objective 4B	Set policies that encourage the use of non-polluting transportation modes	yes					
Objective 4C	Select alternatives which balance the requirements of other goals with the need to minimize air, water, light, and noise pollution	yes, esp noise & lights,					↑ electric, mass transit eg busses, light rail.
Objective 4D	Construct transportation facilities that minimize impacts on natural resources such as streams, wetlands, and wildlife corridors	yes					
GOAL 5	ADDING RESILIENCE TO THE NETWORK & PLANNING FOR EMERGENCIES						
	Create a transportation network that can quickly evacuate residents in the event of a major earthquake and/or tsunami and can build resilience within the community.						
Objective 5A	Design and construct new transportation facilities to withstand a Cascadia event earthquake and be resistant to the associated tsunami	see	OSU Hatfield Center in Newport for ideas				
Objective 5B	Locate new transportation facilities outside the tsunami inundation zones where feasible	sure, but they could help in evacuation, too.					
Objective 5C	Develop transportation facilities that both enhance community livability and serve as tsunami evacuation routes	AND, ↓ traffic on Rhody if route(s) go to Driftwood Shores.					
Objective 5D	Coordinate evacuation route and signage planning in conjunction with existing or proposed transportation system plan pedestrian and bicycle route planning efforts						
Objective 5E	Design streets to efficiently and safely accommodate emergency service vehicles	catch-22. Raises some difficult questions about many aspects of Rhody solution					
GOAL 6	COORDINATING WITH LOCAL, REGIONAL, & STATE PARTNERS						
	Foster strong relationships with public and private partners in the common interest of building the city's transportation network.						
Objective 6A	Ensure consistency with local plans including the Comprehensive Plan, state plans, transit plans, and the plans of neighboring jurisdictions	Can everyone work together for the good of the whole region? I like to think YES!!					
Objective 6B	Ensure consistency with statewide planning documents such as the Transportation Planning Rule, Oregon Transportation Plan, Oregon Highway Plan, and ODOT modal plans						
Objective 6C	Partner with local, county, and state agencies to invest in a transportation network that meets everyone's needs	Everyone's needs? It's gonna be tough. How about putting grocery & work options closer to housing when planning so car isn't essential in order to meet basic daily needs.					
Objective 6D	Meet the goals and policies laid out in the City's other planning efforts, including the Housing Implementation Plan Project						

← How about car sharing programs in community centers? How about on Spruce & Rhododendron, too... (public/private partnerships)

* Greentree's Florentine, "gated" communities

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Wendy Farley-Campbell](#); [Shirley Gray](#)
Subject: Transportation Update Comments
Date: Wednesday, November 9, 2022 4:25:01 PM

Hi Wendy and Shirley!

Here are some additional comments that I received:

Here are some Transportation planning thoughts:

- Become a more bicycle friendly community
- bike path/trails should be connected to bike lanes
- Family bicycle to the beach- safe ways to get to the beach using trails, crosswalks and bike racks
 - I would love to see both North and South Beach bicycle routes
- passenger train- Can the Coos Bay-Eugene Rail line include a passenger train vision- can we have a route to Mapleton or Coastal lakes area and shuttle to Florence?, what other connection points exist?
- Clear and posted bike lanes, more crossings on 126 coming into Florence, North Fork Road and cemetery
- More bike racks at city-county-state parks to promote bicycle tourism
- Discourage parking along 126 in the emergency lane/bicycle lane (lots or RVs stop right in this lane and there is a lot of loose gravel.
- Encourage RV and trailer access points off 101- so using a parallel road- provide better access points for services and fuel businesses that have 101 frontage
 - there are safety and traffic issues related to RVs and trailers along 101 in Florence having alternative routes especially for these types of vehicles would maybe be helpful for our recreational users who need more space for their vehicles and for parking

Sea Level Rise Planning Guide Oregon Coast October 2022:

https://www.coastalatlantis.net/sealevelriseplanning/downloads/SLR_Planning_Guide_V1.pdf

From: [Wendy Farley-Campbell](#)
To: [Shirley Gray](#)
Subject: FW: Input Needed from Chamber for City Transportatation Plan
Date: Tuesday, November 8, 2022 8:02:59 PM

From: Jo Beaudreau [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 8, 2022 4:47 PM
To: Wendy Farley-Campbell <wendy.farleycampbell@ci.florence.or.us>
Subject: Fwd: Input Needed from Chamber for City Transportatation Plan

Here is some additional comment for Transportation :)

What is the best method to get you this information? I want to do what works best for you and your FLO :)

~Jo

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From: **Hawkins, Jason** [REDACTED]
Date: Tue, Nov 8, 2022 at 10:17 AM
Subject: RE: Input Needed from Chamber for City Transportatation Plan
To: Jo Beaudreau [REDACTED]

1)From a healthcare perspective we utilize Friends of Florence and support their non profit work to transport patients to and from the valley...
2)Has there been any conversation to date around creating housing solutions outside of Florence and providing transportation to and from work (Casino, healthcare, education).. sometimes we hear housing is more affordable upriver and Reedsport area but transportation cost deters those employees from living in those areas with lower rents and real estate
...thanks for coordinating our thoughts

Jason Hawkins | Chief Administrative Officer | Peace Harbor Medical Center
[REDACTED]

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From: Jo Beaudreau [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 4, 2022 1:48 PM
To: [REDACTED]

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Cc: Reynolds, Erin ([ci.florence.or.us](mailto:erin.reynolds@ci.florence.or.us)) <erin.reynolds@ci.florence.or.us>; Wendy Farley-Campbell <wendy.farleycampbell@ci.florence.or.us>; Shirley Gray [REDACTED]

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notes: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Report Out

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Jo

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From: [Wendy Farley-Campbell](#)
To: [Shirley Gray](#)
Subject: FW: TSP Comments
Date: Thursday, November 10, 2022 1:56:55 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: D Pavlis [REDACTED] >
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2022 12:43 PM
To: Wendy Farley-Campbell <wendy.farleycampbell@ci.florence.or.us>
Subject: Re: TSP Comments

Thank you, Wendy. Because that was sent via a form, I'm sending a copy here in case it did not come through correctly. Mainly because it was a lot of info and it would be difficult for me to recreate it.

I appreciate the info and the opportunity to comment even though I could not make the meeting.

Kind regards,

Dina Pavlis

Message sent below:

RE: TSP Workshop 1 Comments

I was unable to attend this event, but would like to make the following comments about inventory.

1. It would be helpful for people in the Heceta Beach Area to have access to the Rhody Express via a stop at either Driftwood Shores or at Heceta RV Park (corner of Rhododendron/Heceta Beach Road). There are a number of people without transportation in this area, but the closest stop is an approx. 1 hour (and also dangerous due to narrow bike lanes and high speed traffic with blind curves, and potential for bad weather) walk down Heceta Beach Road to Fred Meyer. The alternative is to use Rhododendron to 35th, but that adds over a mile and about 30 minutes to the trip. Right now, people often have to call cabs, but if they are already unable to afford a car, the cost of a taxi can be prohibitive or at the very least, cut into funds available for things like food, power, water, trash, etc.
2. I would like to advocate for safer walking and biking paths and lanes along Heceta Beach Road to help create safer conditions for people who do not have other forms of transportation to get to Fred Meyer, Heceta Stop & Shop, etc. This also would make it safer for people east of Heceta Beach area to gain access to the beach.
3. Adding a stop for the Rhody Express also at the corner of Heceta Beach Road and 101, would make it much easier for people who live north of Heceta Beach Road to gain access to and from Fred Meyer and also to and from Heceta Beach. There are some mobile home parks near that corner and a lot of people have to walk to and from Fred Meyer in the rain.
4. I don't know if the Rhody Express only runs one way, but if it does, then some consideration might be given to creating "both way" options for these areas. Otherwise, it probably makes the most sense for people to leave Fred's and head north back to Heceta Beach Road/101 and then to Driftwood (because the alternate direction would require a trip through town first and might not work for people who have frozen or refrigerated items purchased at the store.
5. Finally, I would like to advocate for a FOUR WAY stop sign at the corner of Heceta Beach Road and Rhododendron (not sure if this falls under the TSP...if not, please forward this item to the appropriate department). This is an extremely dangerous corner with high speeds and a number of accidents (some very serious) occurring each year. Mainly it is because people crossing Heceta Beach road from Rhododendron or 4th either do not stop or they expect it to be a 4 way stop so they go. Since Heceta Beach Road has such a high speed limit, this creates very

dangerous situations (I personally have witnessed many near misses and some accidents myself). This would also slow people down between that corner and the west end of Heceta Beach Road, another place in which people who live in the area are frustrated due to ridiculously high speeds on that short stretch and around the corner.

Thank. you. Please let me know that you received these comments.

Kind regards,

Dina Pavlis

[REDACTED]

> On Nov 4, 2022, at 4:30 PM, Wendy Farley-Campbell <wendy.farleycampbell@ci.florence.or.us> wrote:

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> Hi Dina,

>

> Thank you for your interest in the project. Here is the information related to the first open house. Please share if you wish with others.

>

> You can review the technical memoranda found on the TSP project webpage:

> <https://www.projectcomment.com/websites/85/pages/451>

>

> You may submit your written comments about gaps in service one of two ways:

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> --on the contact form on the project website: <https://www.projectcomment.com/websites/85/emails/new>

> --or the comment form on our City website found here: <https://www.ci.florence.or.us/community/transportation-systems-plan-project-comment-form>

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> If you are interested in reviewing the recording of the STAC meeting yesterday, the link to the video may be found here at the bottom of the page: <https://www.ci.florence.or.us/boardsandcommissions/florence-transportation-systems-plan-tsp-project-stakeholder-transportation> and on the calendar link on the main City of Florence webpage: <https://www.ci.florence.or.us/>. The open house recording will also be available in these same locations by next week.

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> Let me know if you have any problems with the links or if you have any questions.

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> Regards,

> Wendy

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> Wendy FarleyCampbell, AICP

> Planning Director | City of Florence

> O: [REDACTED]

>

> -----Original Message-----

> From: D Pavlis [REDACTED]

> Sent: Friday, November 4, 2022 3:22 PM

> To: Wendy Farley-Campbell <wendy.farleycampbell@ci.florence.or.us>

> Subject: TSP Comments

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> Hi Wendy,

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> Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the TSP update and open house yesterday, but I would like to submit comments about a possible service gap.

>

> Are you the correct person to whom I should submit my comment or can you send me a link or information about how to do that?

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> Thank you.

>
> Dina Pavlis
>

-----Original Message-----

From: Mary Hamilton [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, February 3, 2023 1:33 PM
To: Lindsey White <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Bus stops in Florence

An elderly woman I knew who rode the bus on a regular basis (she has since passed away) told me she was bothered by the looks of the bus stops in Florence.

A trash can that is emptied regularly should be there as there is usually trash left by the homeless.

Also, if they can be 'sponsored' like cleaning a road up each week, that may take some time off of the city workers. The bus drivers know the ones that need the most help. Safeway and Grocery Outlet are pretty bad. So is one on Spruce Street near the path.

But one thing would help. A place for the homeless to go hang out other than sleep on the benches provided by the bus stop.

My friend who was over 90 years old was forced to stand as homeless slept on the benches of the bus stops.

Could you pass this along to the transportation people? I am unable to attend the meeting on the 8th.

Thank you,

Mary Hamilton

Clare Kurth

From: TAYLOR Becky [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2023 4:00 PM
To: Clare Kurth; Mike Miller
Cc: MILLS Cassidy M; VARTANIAN Sasha L
Subject: RE: TSP STAC Meeting #3 April 20, 2023

Hi Clare and Mike,

In preparation for tomorrow's meeting, I reviewed Tech Memo 6. It looks great! I have a few comments:

- I really appreciate how Tables 5 & 6 identify the roadway authority. I wish the other tables called out County facilities.
- Overall, the cost estimates look low. County projects estimate \$2M/mile.
- Table 1: 4th Street -- the northern half is County, from Joshua to Falcon. I have no problem with the recommendation to upgrade to collector classification and standards.
- Table 2: R8 Heceta Beach Road – is a County road, but this project appears to be east of Hwy 101 which would not be County jurisdiction. The location of R8 is not shown on Figure 2, so I'm guessing based on the description of Spruce Street.
- Page 11: Please provide some recommendations/details/examples for the "traffic calming/speed reduction treatments" for Heceta Beach Rd, Munsel Lake Rd, and N. Fork Rd. Those are higher classification County roads in which traffic calming and speed reduction has been very challenging to achieve.
- Page 13 and 22: N. Jetty Road (and the park it runs through) are both state facilities. This is mislabeled as a County road.
- The County roads listed for bike/ped improvements (Heceta Beach, Munsel Lake, N Fork) are all on the Lane County Bicycle Network Map; so the recommendations here are in alignment and appreciated.

Thanks,

Becky Taylor
Senior Transportation Planner
Lane County Public Works
[REDACTED]

From: Clare Kurth <clare.kurth@ci.florence.or.us>
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2023 4:33 PM
Subject: TSP STAC Meeting #3 April 20, 2023

[EXTERNAL 

Good afternoon TSP STAC members,

The City of Florence will be holding the 3rd TSP STAC meeting this coming Thursday April 20, 2023 at 3:00 pm at the Florence Event Center on Quince St. I have attached the Agenda for this meeting and all meeting details can be found [HERE](#). At this meeting we will be discussing Tech Memo 6 which covers the preferred alternatives analysis. Similar to the first two STAC meetings, this will be followed by an Open House at 5:30 where the public is encouraged to share input and Spanish Language translators will be available. This will be the 3rd and final Open House for this project so please share this information with friends, family, and anyone else you know that may use our City's transportation systems.

When Tech Memo 6 is available it can be found on the project webpage [HERE](#) under the header "Technical Memorandum – Draft" and will also be provided through a link on the City Website [HERE](#).

I will make sure printed materials are available at City Hall for those that prefer to review paper copies rather than digital.

Attachments:

- TSP STAC Meeting #3 Agenda
- TSP Newsletter in English & Spanish
- TSP Flyer in English & Spanish

Meeting and Open House Information:

TSP STAC Meeting #3 [Webpage](#)

Open House #3 [Webpage](#)

Please let me know if you have any questions and have a great weekend!

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Clare Kurth

From: edward mcguire [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2023 2:55 PM
To: Planning Department
Subject: Virtual open house for the transportation plan

Hello I received the email about the virtual open house. Thank you. I click the link to comment and the link seems to be broken. I would like the city of Florence through this transportation planning process to work with ODOT and dunes city to lower the speed limit on 101 from the southern limits of dunes city all the way to the bridge to 45 miles an hour right now. It changes twice from 45 to 55. Compliance is low at the point where it goes back to 55 miles an hour at the state park. There's an intersection and a low point in the road with mediocre Vizza Bility at 55 miles an hour. This whole stretch should be 45 that will make it much easier for compliance enforcement, and safer for the bikes and peds that frequent the area.

Sincerely, Ed McGuire

Clare Kurth

From: City Recorder
Sent: Monday, May 1, 2023 10:32 AM
To: Peighton Allen; Clare Kurth
Subject: FW: Comments on TSP Update for STAC

FYI

From: EDWARD MONKS [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2023 11:42 AM
To: City Recorder <cityrecorder@ci.florence.or.us>
Subject: Comments on TSP Update for STAC

City Recorder:

My name is Edward T. Monks. I have owned the home [REDACTED] in Florence since 2012.

I have done a quick review of the TSP Update documents, and would like to make a few initial comments in no particular order to the STAC, with the intention of adding more later:

1) Having worked early in my career as a claims supervisor for a large insurance company in New Jersey, handling or supervising many hundreds of claims arising from motor vehicle accidents (MVA); and having been an attorney for 40 years representing parties injured in MVAs, I am a big fan of safety for both occupants of motor vehicles and pedestrians (including bicyclists). I am also not a fan of expensive actions and re-designs and re-configurations taken in the name of safety that do not promote safety and simply make the community less livable, make it function less efficiently and make it more difficult to get around.

2) Florence definitely does not have a significant MV safety problem. It appears from the statistics you provided that there were 6 severe/fatal MVAs over the last 5 years, just over one such incident a year. That is not a lot compared to the places I have lived; northeastern NJ, New York City, and Eugene, OR for the last 40 years. The statistics do not provide information on the degree of driver fault for the severe accidents - sometimes there is no design option that can save someone from a drunk driver or the driver from himself. The other accident statistics do not support need for significant change.

3) Many (probably most) of the preferred alternatives are not fixing a problem(s). Those preferred alternatives appear to be mostly the product of an ideologically driven perspective that is preoccupied with bicyclists and bicycle lanes and "calming" devices planners wish to impose on the residents of the community, regardless of any objective need.

4) I frequently walk back and forth from my home on Juniper to Bay Street, generally under highway #101 on Bay Street, but sometimes crossing Highway #101 itself - a couple hundred times. I would bet I have made that kind of walk more than any Stakeholder on the STAC. I have had no incidents, no close calls, no safety issues or concerns whatsoever. There is no problem let alone a problem that needs intervention.

5) When the preferred document states it wants to "encourage non-motorized trips" that in reality frequently translates to "we want to make driving so miserable that you chose to walk". That is certainly the situation in south Eugene where I have my other house. Florence should avoid that.

6) Florence has a lot of retired people who are not in a position to walk or ride a bike - particularly in light of all the rain and wind we get. A decent respect for their interests and for the interests of people with disabilities suggest the City should not be "encouraging" - "forcing" them to take "non-motorized trips".

7) Florence has a significant number of residents, as well as a significant number of regular visitors, who have boats. They move those boats around on trailers. The corner pedestrian pop outs and traffic lane reconfigurations and "calming" actions have the effect of turning roadways in to obstacle courses.

8) Not one parking space in the downtown area should ever be taken away as they are important for downtown businesses and do not represent any safety concerns.

9) Bay Street is one of my favorite places in the world - a great assortment of restaurants, bars and businesses. Don't mess with it. It does not need any sort of reconfiguration.

Thank you for your consideration. I will likely have more later.

Ed Monks



5.5.23

Rob Ward, Mayor, City of Florence
Sally Wantz, Council President
Bill Meyer, Council VP
Robert Carp, Council Member
Jo Beaudreau, Council Member

Florence City Hall
250 Hwy 101
Florence, OR 97439

RE: Safety Stop Light at Florence Fred Meyers Exit

To: The Honorable Rob Ward and City Council Members:

Have you ever tried crossing Hwy 101 from Fred Meyer's grocery market, particularly on foot let alone by car? Then imagine what a small child, or the elderly, disabled or a homeless person faces when crossing the road.

Even in a car, exiting the Fred Meyer's parking lot from either the north or south exit after shopping (to go North) is *always* a death-defying effort.

I have seen many people running for their lives attempting to cross the road and know of at least one homeless man and his dog that were hit by oncoming traffic. Thankfully, they survived.

I shudder to think of the forthcoming tourist traffic which will certainly make the situation 100x as dangerous.

Why is there no STOP LIGHT at the north exit from this store??? The nearest crosswalk for any pedestrian is miles down the road to the south. At the very minimum, a light alerted crosswalk should be installed.

One would wonder why Kroger has not taken legally prudent steps to see to it their customers are safe and protected when shopping at Fred Meyer's.

This one stop light would make all the difference in the world for everyone who needs to cross the road... particularly for the many homeless who try and make it across the highway to enjoy a hot meal at the church across the street.

So, come on people, time to be proactive and do one small but monumentally important thing to help the citizens of Florence by installing a stop light at one of the exits of the Fred Meyers Grocery Store providing SAFE CROSSING for both shoppers (on foot or by car) as well as pedestrians. Lives are at stake.

If a petition is required to initiate this stop light installation, please let me know and I will get started. Thank you.

Sincerely,



CC: Rodney McMullen, Chairman and CEO, Kroger Company

Kerry Kilmer

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6 MAY 2023



*Rob Ward, Mayor, City of Florence
Florence City Hall
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Clare Kurth

From: Mike Miller
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2023 5:51 PM
To: Matt Bell; Russ Doubleday; DUNCAN Michael W
Cc: Clare Kurth; Erin Reynolds
Subject: FW: Ask ODOT: add crosswalk US101 Florence ~ CI00165616,

Just an FYI. This also ties in nicely with the TSP for additional pedestrian activated crossings north of 35th Street (42nd/43rd; and 47th with Cannery Station development).

Mike

From: UPTON Dorothy J [REDACTED] >

Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2023 12:08 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Ask ODOT: add crosswalk US101 Florence ~ CI00165616,

Liz,

Your suggestion for a marked crosswalk on US 101 in north Florence was forwarded to this office for review and a response. Your concern is based on observing pedestrians crossing in this high-speed area.

ODOT has a process for evaluating locations where marked crossings are approved. ODOT maintains marked crossings at signalized intersections and school crossings, but every marked crosswalk on the state highways. This is because local jurisdictions often want many more enhanced crossings than ODOT can maintain and operate. So ODOT evaluates the location, determines what features are needed and then works with the local city for a crossing to be installed, operated/maintained by the local jurisdiction. The development that you cite is known as Cannery Station and is a multi-phase project that includes the construction of assisted living units along with other housing. ODOT worked with the City to determine what an enhanced crossing would need. It was determined that a marked crossing on the south leg of the new public road intersection would need a median island, a pedestrian activated flashing beacon as well as ADA compliant ramps, pavement markings, signs and illumination. The City acknowledged the conditions for an enhanced crossing, but imposed them on the second phase (the first phase is the assisted living units).

I suggest you take your concerns and observations to the City so they can determine whether it is time to seek the formal approval and then to have the developer construct the crossing. I am including Wendy FarleyCampbell, the Community Development Director, and Mike Miller, as they may have more current information on the status of the development. My office will work with the City when they choose to start the process for getting the required ODOT approval.

Dorothy J. Upton, P.E.

ODOT Region 2 Traffic Operations Engineer

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[REDACTED]

From: Ask ODOT <Ask.ODOT@ODOT.oregon.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 1:26 PM

To: UPTON Dorothy J [REDACTED] >

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Ask ODOT: add crosswalk US101 Florence ~ CI00165616,

Hi Dorothy,

Ask ODOT was called by Liz Snyder suggesting ODOT add a new crosswalk across US101 in Florence somewhere [between the Fred Meyer and Bi-Mart](#). Liz reports there are two new apartment buildings going in and people are constantly running across the highway in this high speed area. She reports the closest signal is down by the Burger King (35th St).

Liz Snyder
[REDACTED]

Please respond directly to the customer.

Please respond directly to the customer or reply-all and add appropriate staff, upon receipt. Also, provide a copy of the response by e-mail to AskODOT@odot.oregon.gov or provide confirmation they have been contacted by phone, for our records. All referrals from ASK ODOT are monitored under agency guidelines.

Thanks for your assistance in this matter,

Winnie Dawn, [she/her]

Ask ODOT
[REDACTED]

Clare Kurth

From: BERMAN Jenna <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2023 1:15 PM
To: Clare Kurth; WILSON Kate
Cc: Wendy Farley-Campbell
Subject: RE: Bike lending libraries

Thanks so much for making the connection, Kate.

We just turned the grant application in yesterday! We should know in a few months whether we got it. If we do receive the funding, Florence is on the list of potential communities to try this. I think it would be fabulous! The fact that people in Florence are already excited about exploring something along these lines is wonderful.

In the meantime, it would be great if the new TSP work somehow calls out interest in a program like this. And maybe looked at the low-stress bike network that the City can continue to build out? I am guessing that this is all included already but figured that I would mention it. Florence has historically been a great partner on this work (I typically work with Mike Miller) and also successful at getting grants, which is great.

If for any reason we don't get the Carbon Reduction Program grant that we just submitted, I would be interested in meeting and talking about another program that we have called the [Innovative Mobility Program](#). This program currently has "Microgrants" available for up to \$5,000. A city can apply for two (max of \$10,000) within a 1-year timeframe. This could be another way to get a few eBikes into the community to start trying out a program like this. But we can talk further about this. You mentioned some important considerations such as maintenance and security.

Feel free to call if you want to chat any of this out.

Jenna

Jenna Berman

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Ped/Bike Resources: <https://www.oregonwalkbike.org/>

From: Clare Kurth <clare.kurth@ci.florence.or.us>
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 8:48 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Bike lending libraries

This message was sent from outside the organization. Treat attachments, links and requests with caution. Be conscious of the information you share if you respond.

Kate Wilson,
Thank you for sending me this message and getting us in contact!

Jenna Berman,

This is great news! I was very interested a bike library program and am confident there would be community support for this type of program. We had a Transportation Committee (TC) meeting last Tuesday 5/16/2023 and the committee

members were really interested in pursuing a bike lending library / bike share program here in Florence. The meeting video can be found [HERE](#). It was discussed toward the beginning of the meeting. There was some concern about maintenance of the bikes and tracking down bikes that don't get returned. Overall, there was excitement around bike share / libraries especially as the City is set to begin a 2 year project on Rhododendron Drive that includes separated bike lanes that will eventually connect all the way to the beach.

At either the June or July Transportation Committee I am hoping to get our Economic Development Manager on the agenda to discuss how member can participate in promoting public transportation specifically, but there are plenty of other work plan items they can help Florence promote too (potentially items like this).

Let me know how the City of Florence can help. Beside the TC being interested in this topic the City is also working on finalizing our TSP update project with a final stakeholder advisory meeting June 29th and public hearing in August. The project page can be found [HERE](#). I will look through the tech memos and review what our consultants have included on this topic.

Thank you both,

Clare Kurth (She/Her)
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From: WILSON Kate <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, May 21, 2023 6:57 PM
To: Clare Kurth <clare.kurth@ci.florence.or.us>; BERMAN Jenna <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Bike lending libraries

Hi Clare,

I hope you're doing well. Jenna Berman, copied here, is on the Link Lane PAC, but she was unable to attend our last meeting. She did watch the recording and then asked if we could put you in touch to discuss bicycle lending libraries. Here is her message:

For partners in Florence (and feel free to share with them) I happen to be working with someone at the state level on a Carbon Reduction Program grant application to potentially fund several eBike lending libraries. Florence folks sounded quite interested in piloting something like this and I would LOVE to work with them if we receive this funding! I think that while these types of programs are not directly transit, they can be pivotal in closing first and last mile connections to transit. Also, for people experiencing disabilities or who don't know how to ride (some of our recently arrived refugees are an example of this), I have hoped to try some eTricycles and we have some good options manufactured in the U.S.!

Please keep us in the loop if you are able to get anything off the ground. We would love to support in any way that we can.

Thanks,

Kate Wilson, AICP (she/her)
Senior Planner
Lane Council of Governments

[REDACTED]

Transportation Plan
Memo #6
Comments

Why are the four existing goals and objectives from the 2012 transportation system plan not in the new proposed goals?

Why isn't Rhody Drive being re-classified as a collector given it is an alternative north south route to 101 and would help to relieve traffic on 101?

Is US 101 going to be 3 lanes in both directions?

What are the specific traffic calming/speed reduction treatments?

How are sidewalks/landscape improvements going to be done on streets where there is existing development?

Is street sweeping currently done on 101? Is this normal practice to do street sweeping on a major arterial?

Who will enforce no parking in bike lanes?

Who will pay for bus shelters/benches?

What is the timing of preferred transit system alternatives?

How will truck loading zones be established in downtown? There is currently not enough on street parking.

Funding will be an issue for 2 new staff positions - transportation technology liaison and parking ambassador.

Thoughts

Put parking meters in Old Town to help with funding of improvements.

Convert the parking lot near the harbor to a multi-level parking garage with commercial space on the ground level.