

April 10, 2018

5:32 P.M.

Newport, Oregon

The City of Newport Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee met on the above date at 215 NW 15th St. (Radiant Church Parking Lot) in Newport. In attendance were Wendy Engler, Michael Rioux, Daniella Crowder, Marsha Eckelman, and Chuck Forinash. Also in attendance was Rachel Cotton, Associate Planner. Not in attendance were Susan Hogg, Nicole Fields, Wendy Henriksen, and Jeff Pendleton.

BIKE TO SCHOOL DAY - MAY 9 - FLYER AND WAIVER DISTRIBUTION

Cotton handed out Bike to School Day flyers and waivers to committee members who wanted them.

WALKING TOUR OF OCEANVIEW TO NYE ST MU PATH CORRIDOR

The committee embarked on a walking tour of the gravel portion of Nye Street north of 15th St that dead ends in a ravine, exploring a potential alignment for a future Nye Street to Oceanview Drive trail, multiuse path, or road. Committee members commented that this route would provide a scenic and peaceful alternate to the lower portion of Oceanview Drive for cyclists and pedestrians. The committee also acknowledged that the gravel portion of Nye Street would need improvements to safely accommodate cyclists. Cotton was able to access GIS on her phone and shared information about inventoried wetlands and property lines with the committee during their walk.

The committee next walked along the east side shoulder of Oceanview Drive between NW 16th St and NW 21st Pl, sharing thoughts about potential for pedestrian improvements along this stretch, which could include a bi-directional shared use path on the east side of Oceanview Drive between 21st and 12th streets. Forinash provided some maps he created in Google Earth, illustrating concepts for the shared use path, to be accessed by southbound bike traffic through an improved crossing from the west side to the east side of Oceanview Drive at NW 21st Pl. The bi-directional path could either feed into the Oceanview to Nye Street multiuse path or continue along Oceanview Drive, depending on future plans. The group discussed the viability of making Oceanview Drive between 15th and 12th streets one way for southbound traffic only. Forinash indicated that homes along this stretch could be accessed from the south through a relatively easy detour, taking NW Spring Street east to Nye and north to 15th then back on to Oceanview. Committee members noted that NW 15th Street is limited to one-way westbound traffic between Oceanview Drive and Spring Street, which could show precedent for one-way streets in this area.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.