

November 12, 2019  
5:34 P.M.  
Newport, Oregon

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee met on the above date in Conference Room B of Newport City Hall. In attendance were Committee Members Susan Hogg, Marsha Eckelman, Nicholas Graves, Thomas Follett, Jacob Osburne, and Michael Rioux. Also in attendance were Senior Center Coordinator Peggy O'Callaghan and City Recorder Peggy Hawker. Not in attendance were Daniella Crowder and Minda Stiles.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION was made by Eckelman, seconded by Graves, to approve the minutes of October 8, 2019. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion Regarding Development of Walking Route Map. O'Callaghan presented the idea of creating a walking route map that would include senior-friendly routes and the parks in Newport. She noted she and fitness specialist Brenda Luntzel applied for a grant to print a walking routes map. O'Callaghan expressed interest in recreating a map similar to the bike routes map that the Bike and Pedestrian Committee created. She clarified the map would include only city parks. She mentioned one idea was a route from Don Davis Park to Coast Park or Don Davis through the Nye Beach area.

Hawker asked if there was a deadline to use of the grant money if it is awarded. O'Callaghan replied she would look into that. Hawker reported the bike route maps took a long time to create. O'Callaghan noted Pioneer Printing would print 3,000 of the maps for \$1,500. She suggested Spanish translations for the map as well. Hawker asked if there were any thoughts to adding a QR code for access on phones. Discussion ensued on use of QR codes. Follett noted through QR codes, the course of the routes could be downloaded to phones.

Hawker suggested mirroring the bike route map, and including six walking routes. She indicated she felt the size couldn't handle much more in terms of walking routes and still have room for a description in English and Spanish. Rioux suggested linking to the webpage with the pdf in English and Spanish in addition to the 60+ Activity Center webpage through a QR code. O'Callaghan emphasized the importance of listing all the parks.

Hawker asked when the grant would be awarded. O'Callaghan replied she would look into that. Hawker asked the committee if they would like to proceed in designing this brochure. Eckelman replied she needs to know the parameters for distance. Hawker suggested having the routes in mile increments. Eckelman asked if the routes had to go to parks. O'Callaghan said there should be some routes that do, but not necessarily all of them. Eckelman clarified the routes could be practical as well as leisure. She asked if any routes should be walking-frame friendly. O'Callaghan clarified the difficulty type should be included for all the routes. Rioux noted most maps have a distance and challenge level. He added including restrooms is nice as well. O'Callaghan suggested mentioning benches. Discussion ensued on which groups to include in developing the map.

Rioux indicated he would join the Newport's largest walking group through Meet Up for input on the map. He suggested designating parking on the map as well. Osburne suggested the pedestrian signal on Second Street as a good starting point for a walking route. Hawker suggested listing pedestrian activated crosswalks. Rioux summarized the map would list parks and locations in addition to leisure routes and practical routes with difficulty levels. Discussion ensued on community gardens. Hawker suggested the committee discuss proposed walking routes at incremental lengths defined by difficulty or ability level at the next meeting. Hawker suggested finding routes throughout the community. O'Callaghan reported she would attend the next meeting.

**Bicycle Routes and Lanes.** Hawker asked the committee to review the matrix, and they would discuss the Transportation System Plan (TSP) update next time. Rioux noted the project matrix has not been updated from the last meeting. Hogg asked if the city is considering a left-hand turn signal NE Harney onto 20. Hawker replied she believes the project is in the TSP. Rioux suggested a lighted turn on Harney. Hogg added she would like to see an overpass for pedestrians and bicyclists there. Osburne suggested increasing the sidewalks for the schools there.

### **BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS**

Hawker reported an accident occurred on October 10, 2019, at 101 and SW Alder where two pedestrians were struck in the crosswalk when a vehicle turned from 101 onto SW Alder. She reported an accident occurred on October 16, 2019, at 101 and Bay Street where a pedestrian was struck by a vehicle turning onto 101 from Bay Street. Rioux noted there was a pedestrian accident today on Olive and Lincoln. Hogg emphasized the importance of the sidewalk project to connect the east Agate Beach wayside park and the path to Walmart on the side of 101 by Best Western.

### **CONFIRM NEXT MEETING DATE**

December 10, 2019.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.