



**TRAFFIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
TALENT CITY HALL
October 16, 2014 – 3:30 P.M.**

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The Traffic Safety & Transportation Commission of the City of Talent will meet on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 in a regular session at 3:30 P.M. in the Talent City Hall, 110 E. Main Street.

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REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING- 3:30 PM

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I. Call to Order/Roll Call 3:52 P.M.

Members Present:

Chair – Teresa Cooke
Community Member – James Bradley
Community Member – Tommy Ehrhart
Planning – Zac Moody
Police Chief – Mike Moran
PW Supervisor – Bret Marshall

Members Absent:

None

Also Present:

City Manager – Tom Corrigan
Rogue Valley Transportation District – Scott Eason
Urban Renewal Director – Marla Cates
ZCS Engineering – Justin Gerlitz

II. Brief Announcements

None

III. Consideration of Minutes for April 17, 2014

*Moran moved to approve the minutes.
Bradley seconded and the motion carried.*

IV. Citizens Heard on Non-Agenda Items

None

VI. New Business

Request for Restriping (West Valley View)

Marla Cates – Talent Urban Renewal Agency

Cates discussed shortening up the left turn pocket at the intersection of Valley View and Highway 99, reducing the east-bound left turn lane capacity from 5-6 spaces to 2-4 and providing a sign depicting two-way arrows to reduce congestion during rush hour, this strategy would also allow easier vehicle access to the nearby bank, hardware and liquor stores.

Moody moved to approve the restriping of the left turn lane eastbound of the round-about at the current driveway locations as well as the intersection of the Highway 99 as proposed, minus the turn arrows into the private driveways.

Ehrhart seconded, motion carried.

Traffic Signage (West Valley View, Main Street and Talent Avenue)

Moody mentioned that there are only two signs in the vicinity of West Valley View Road that prohibit trucks from entering the round-about and the downtown area. The possibility of adding more no-truck signs, and developing a truck route to help direct drivers was discussed. Limiting traffic across the Bridge (in the vicinity of Talent Avenue and Creekside Way) and prohibiting traffic from entering West Valley View was also discussed by using Colver Road and Rapp Road for truck routes.

Moody moved to have the commission direct the staff to work with Oregon Department of Transportation to obtain three signs diverting and rerouting potential downtown truck traffic. These signs would be placed at the intersections of: Colver Road/Highway 99, Rapp Road/Highway 99 and West Valley View/Highway 99.

Cooke seconded, motion carried.

Suncrest Road Speed Study/ODOT Recommendation – Moody stated that the City and Jackson County have concerns about excessive vehicle speeds on Suncrest Road since it is heavily utilized by bicyclists and pedestrians accessing the Bear Creek Greenway. Using the 85th percentile test results, it was mentioned that further lowering the speed from 35 to 25 miles-per-hour on the overpass would likely be disregarded by most drivers and may actually potentially be a traffic hazard.

Moody moved to have the commission direct the staff to prepare written comment to address the speed study concerns, including the possibility of reducing the speed limit to 25 miles-per-hour.

Ehrhart seconded, motion carried.

Bus Stop (West Valley View & Talent Ave) – Currently there is a bus stop in the vicinity of the Lapree Street and Talent Avenue intersection, the other bus stop near Talent Irrigation District was removed.

Scott Eason – Rogue Valley Transportation District

In collusion with TURA, RVTB is seeking potential locations for a new permanent Bus Stop, Eason also mentioned problems with striping nearby curbs to reduce traffic and parking congestion near Bus Stops.

Moody moved to allow Urban Renewal to shift the temporary Bus Stop to a permanent location in front of the green building (101 West Valley View Road) between Main Street and West Valley View and that (2) parking stalls will be used to provide adequate space for bus service.

Moran Seconded, motion carried.

VII. Old Business

None

IX. Next meeting:

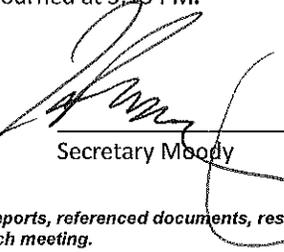
The next TSTC meeting will be October 30, 2014.

VIII. Adjournment

Due to time constraints, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Attest:

James Bradley, Commissioner


Secretary Mbody

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