

Project# 21023.043

February 2, 2023

Project Name: Main Streets on Halsey Cross Section and Street Design Plan

Meeting Name: Project Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting #1

Meeting Location: <u>Microsoft Teams</u>

# PAC members present:

Name	Organization
Matt Bell	Kittelson & Associates
Polina Polikakhina	Kittelson & Associates
Mike Abbaté	Abbate Design
Andrew Holder	Greenworks
Eve Nilenders	Multnomah County
Jessica Berry	Multnomah County
Sarah Selden	City of Fairview
Melissa Johnston	City of Troutdale
Greg Dirks	City of Wood Village
Dean Hurford	Resident of Fairview, business owner
Jo Ann Lindenthal	Executive Director at MLA K-8 Public Charter School
Lisa LaManna	McMenamins (Edgefield)
Ryan Domingo	Sugarpine Drive-In
Emily Cafazzo	Sugarpine Drive-In
Jorgan Shaw	Troutdale Terrace Apartments
Joyce Richardson	Fairview Oaks and Woods, Home Forward Apartments
Lewis Kelly	Oregon Department of Transportation
Ryan Web	Confederated Tribe of the Grand Ronde
Bob Thomas	Biker/Bike Advocate

Valerie Hunter	Troutdale Station Business Owner
Parker McNulty	Property Owner/Developer

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

a. Everyone introduced themselves and their previous history of working on Main Streets on Halsey Projects.

## 2. Project Overview

- a. Project background
- b. Project approach
  - i. Matt presented project background, project approach, and previous plan history.

## 3. Project Team

- a. Project Management Team (PMT)
- b. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
- c. Project Advisory Committee (PAC)
  - i. Matt introduced the project team and discussed the roles and responsibilities of the TAC and PAC.

#### 4. Project Schedule

a. Matt provided an overview of the project schedule.

#### 5. Meeting and Milestones

a. Matt provided an overview of the key project deliverables.

#### 6. Tech Memo #1: Plans and Policy Review

### a. Background document review

i. Matt and Andrew presented the documents that were reviewed as a part of Tech Memo 1.

## b. Project equity goals

 Matt discussed the project equity goals that are guiding the project, noting that the goals are typical of most planning projects in Oregon.

### c. Project objectives

 Mike discussed project goals/objectives that will guide development of the plan, noting that there is a strong economic driver to the project, and asked for feedback.

- 1. Dean asked if we already identified treatments that would be applied to specific locations.
  - a. Mike clarified that this is the goal of this plan to develop cross sections and specific treatments.
- 2. Valerie asked if the plan would propose angle parking along the corridor.
  - a. Matt mentioned that parking will be considered as one of the treatments but also noted that angle parking uses a lot of space.
  - Jessica explained how these improvements sometimes could be implemented over time, as new development occurs.
- 3. Dean asked if public events would allow people to identify specific treatments they want to see along the corridor.
  - a. Matt shared that this would likely be the intent of the second public event.
- 4. Matt added additional content on how this project will get funded and implemented.
  - a. Team had a discussion on project cycle and project funding.
- 5. Dean asked if project funding would pay for improvements in front of private developments.
  - a. Jessica shared that usually private developers pay for a portion of the improvements.
  - b. Sarah explained how this project will be applying regional and federal funding.
  - c. Dean asked how many incremental design plans it would take to get this project to be "bid-ready".
    - Matt and others elaborated on design process and funding.

#### 7. Tech Memo #2: Cross Section Deficiencies and Needs

## a. Street design standards

 Matt presented information from Multnomah County's Design and Construction Manual that defines a preferred roadway crosssection for NE Halsey Street.

#### b. Existing conditions of the right-of-way

i. Polina and Andrew discussed existing land uses, transportation facilities, and landmarks along the corridor.

# c. Community input

Matt presented input received during 2016 workshop and 2020
 Halsey Main Street survey, noting that safe crossings were identified as a critical need along the corridor.

#### d. Recommendations from prior plans

i. Matt presented transportation needs outlined in the Main Streets on Halsey Strategic Economic Action Plan.

#### e. Key issues

 Matt highlighted the well-established natural and urban design element and discussed the key issues that could arise during the project.

# f. Cross section design objectives

- i. Mike presented the design objectives that will be the key to developing the plan.
  - 1. Emily noted that a very important focus of this project should be providing continuous sidewalks.

#### 8. Streetscape & Roadway Design Toolkit

a. Andrew presented an overview of the Toolkit.

#### 9. General Discussion

- a. Are there any additional project equity goals we should consider?
- b. Are there any additional project objectives (Tech Memo 1 or cross section design objectives (Tech Memo 2) we should consider?
- c. Toolkit: which elements should we be considering or not?
  - i. Dean asked if it is possible to prioritize introducing a road diet west of NE 223<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, as it's missing on-street parking, which imposes a burden on the business owners. He also asked if the plan can prioritize the segment along McMenamins. He noted that these segments are ready to go and would only require simple restriping.
    - Mike mentioned that it would still require a traffic study to identify recommended treatments along those segments, which is the purpose of this project.

- 2. Jessica and Matt mentioned that it is very reasonable for the plan identify specific sections of where project implementation can be prioritized.
- ii. Parker shared that if the project wants to create an urban fabric, it might consider to not separate cyclists from cars with a vertical barrier, as in his experience, it usually encourages drivers to travel faster.
  - 1. Bob shared it is nice to have separated bicycle facilities instead of shared use paths along the corridor.

## d. Do you have any suggestions on how we can reach a wider audience?

- i. Sarah posed the question to the TAC.
  - 1. Valerie suggested to involve bicycle groups.

### 10. Next Steps

- a. Public event #1: Please share the survey with your contacts
- b. PAC to provide Tech Memo 1 and Tech Memo 2 comments to Melissa Johnston by February 10th
- c. Develop cross section and streetscape design alternatives
- d. Develop land use and transportation system alternatives

#### 11. Action Items

a. Consider PAC input on multiple agenda topics throughout development of the plan.