

**Kirkland Transportation Commission
Meeting Notes
Wednesday July 27, 2016**

An audio recording of the meeting is available on the [Transportation Commission Page](#) of the City website.

Call to Order

Chair Neir called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Members Present: Kurt Ahrensfield, Ken Dueker, Grace Guerrero, Lisa McConnell, Tom Neir, Tom Pendergrass, John Perlic. Kirkland Staff Present: Kathy Brown, Aparna Khanal, Joel Pfundt, Frank Reinart, Rod Steitzer, Public Works Department; and Janice Coogan, Planning & Building Department. Others Present: NA.

Review of past meeting notes

Notes from the June 22, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.

Items from the Audience

Karl Wilson commented on the draft Finn Hill Neighborhood Plan. He requested that the extension of NE 132nd St to 90th Ave NE needs sidewalk and bike lanes. He also noted that the street currently is shown as having a sidewalk, which he feels it does not. He also noted that 90th Ave NE needs a continuous sidewalk, 84th Ave NE is definitely a bike route and there is an existing pedestrian connection behind the Rite Aid.

David Malcom commented on the utility of the reports he prepared in coordination with David Godfrey in addressing some of Mr. Wilson's comments.

Introduce New Member

Grace Guerrero was introduced as the new youth member of the Transportation Commission.

Finn Hill Neighborhood Plan

Janice Coogan, presented the latest draft of the Finn Neighborhood Plan prepared by the Green Futures Lab (GFL) at the University of Washington. This draft will also be presented to the Planning Commission on July 28, 2016 and a final draft will be presented to the Planning Commission at their August 25, 2016 meeting. The plan includes guiding principles, transportation mobility goals, policies related to various travel modes, GFL implementation recommendations and next steps. The Commission had specific comments about changes to the GFL recommendations to make it more consistent with existing policy in the Transportation Master Plan and Comprehensive Plan. Also, comments were made about how this plan was integrated with the regional transit plans and challenges of serving the neighborhood with transit. Staff will use the Commissions comments when providing final edits on the plan.

100th Ave NE Corridor Improvements

Frank Reinart provided a report on the design study of this critical one-mile, north-south corridor from NE 132nd St to NE 145th St. The project goals are to improve safety, covert the corridor from auto oriented to multimodal that serves the better community and develop an implementation plan. Issues related to safety, walking, biking and driving were highlighted. Community involvement is currently taking place, including an open house on July 28 at the Juanita Community Church, 10007 NE 132nd St., Kirkland. An online open house will be available until August 5, 2016. Next steps include, alternative development, preferred alternative identification and additional community involvement. The Commission supported the project and provided comments on community involvement and various scope elements.

Lakefront Ped-Bike Safety Project Update

Aparna Khanal provided a project update. This project is focused on safety. Scope elements include ADA ramps, bike lanes, two RRFBs and additional street lighting. A schedule was also presented. Commissioners commented on the need to share with the community what is going on prior and during construction. There was also suggestions from Commissioners for additional scope elements and issues to address.

Transportation Commission Work Plan and Mission Statement

Staff presented the final draft of the 2016-2017 Work Plan and Mission Statement. These versions reflected Commission comments from the June 22, 2016 meeting and all prior meetings. The Commission requested a few additional edits to the Work Plan. Staff committed to making these edits and sending the final version out via e-mail for review. Staff requested that Commissioners e-mail staff back to affirm that the final version is acceptable. The next step will be to take this to Council for approval.

Updates from Commissioners/Staff

Staff reported on the following:

- 6th St Corridor Study – Will be moving forward this summer in coordination with the Houghton-Everest Neighborhood Center Plan. The plan will examine 6th St/108th Ave, as well as parallel corridors, including the CKC.
- CIP Update – Staff presented an updated version of the 2017-2022 CIP Summary Spreadsheet.

Commissioner reported on the following:

- Dueker presented the findings of his analysis of Kirkland Growth in Housing and Traffic.
- Dueker requested that staff follow-up on his suggestion to reach out to Uber, Lyft and/or Eastside for Hire to discuss piloting shared ride services at a fixed-cost to Kirkland's park and rides to help solve intra-Kirkland transit needs.
- Snow stated that he has been participating in the Finn Hill/Kenmore Alternative Transit Service Working Group. They have meet twice to determine best service option.
- Neir, Guerrero, Ahrensfield and Dueker requested a paper copies of the TMP.
- McConnell provided a summary of all the activities taking place on the Eastside Rail Corridor.
- McConnell commented on the scope of the 6th St Corridor Study.
- Perlic requested a clarification about commissioners communicating via e-mail.
- Neir requested that staff work to update the Commission website and look at ways to store Commission documents.

Meeting adjourned unanimously approved to adjourn at 8:55 PM.