

100TH AVE NE Corridor Design

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First Advisory Group Meeting Summary
June 23, 2016 2:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Kirkland Street Maintenance Building, 915 8th St, Kirkland, WA 98033

Attendees:

Project Staff

- Frank Reinart
City of Kirkland
- Christian Knight
City of Kirkland
- Paul Ferrier
HDR
- Brian Magee
HDR
- Dennis Sandstrom
EnviroIssues
- Betsy Kinsey
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Committee Members

- Faith DeBolt
Finn Hill resident
- Donna Gaw
Community Connectivity Consortium
- Marianna Hanefeld
Arts Commission
- Tiffany Martin
Juanita Neighborhood Association
- Doug McFadyen
Large commercial access
- George Needham
Small commercial access
- Jon Pascal
Finn Hill Neighborhood Alliance

Members of the Public

- Mike Wert

Committee Members Not in Attendance

- Andrea Clinkscales
Cascade Bicycle Club
- Ed Colio
Juanita resident
- Scott Emry
Lake Washington School District
- Matt Hutchinson
Small commercial access

Welcome and Introductions

Dennis Sandstrom welcomed participants, reviewed the meeting agenda and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

Project Overview

Frank Reinart provided a brief history and overview of the project. He noted that the City of Kirkland (City) first conducted a corridor study for potential future improvements and then received a Federal Highway Administration grant to redesign the corridor as one cohesive whole. Frank also stated that one of the goals for the project in the next year is to ensure everyone within the diverse set of stakeholders

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has the opportunity to provide input on the new design so that the City can make informed and responsible decisions about the final design.

Paul Ferrier, consultant team project manager, added that the team wants to build a distinct place for the community where people can walk, bike and visit local businesses. He encouraged everyone to think creatively about what could be included in the corridor so that the team can build a large toolbox of ideas to develop design alternatives.

Committee Role and Responsibilities

Dennis reviewed the Advisory Group Guidelines, including the group's purpose, member roles and meeting ground rules. Dennis described the following member types and their roles:

- Advisory Group members are to provide input. Members are encouraged to share what they discuss at the advisory group meetings and bring back ideas, however they are not considered spokespeople for the project.
- City and project team staff will provide material support, engage in the group's conversation and serve as the spokespeople for the project.
- Dennis will serve as the neutral facilitator of the meetings to ensure discussions are respectful and productive.

Dennis then reviewed the ground rules and asked the group if they had any suggestions or additions to the existing list of rules. Everyone was satisfied with the list.

Items for future reference:

- The group will meet three more times between now and the 30% design milestone in November.
- Meetings will be around two hours long.
- The project team will take meeting notes and draft a summary for members to review. Final summaries will be shared and could be made public.
- The team will send meeting materials for review in advance of future meetings so that everyone is fully informed on the project and ready for discussion.
- Members with questions or comments regarding the project or Advisory Group process are welcome to email or call Frank Reinart, Christian Knight, and Dennis Sandstrom.

Question and Answer

Doug McFadyen noted that King County spent a lot of time and money researching part of the corridor before the annexation, and asked if that information will be considered in this project.

- Frank and Paul replied that any information that is still relevant will be used, though parts of the previous study are outdated.

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Jon Pascal asked if documents provided in the meetings can be shared with others who are not in the group.

- Frank and Paul replied yes, all information, written or verbal, is public unless specifically noted otherwise. Frank asked everyone to take into consideration that information is subject to change throughout the process.

Next Steps

Dennis drew the group's attention to the project schedule. He noted that the next advisory group meeting will be in mid-August, *not* mid-July as indicated in the schedule. This schedule change will also push back the subsequent advisory group meetings slightly.

Introduction to the Design Charrette

Paul invited everyone to consider the big picture and the fine details when providing feedback in the various stations of the open design charrette.

Dennis then adjourned the advisory group and invited them to stay and participate in the design charrette.