

**Kirkland Transportation Commission
Meeting Notes
Wednesday March 23, 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 6:01 PM. Members Present: Mike Snow, Carl Wilson, Lisa McConnell, John Perlic Kirkland Staff Present: Kathy Brown, David Godfrey, Dave Snider, Rod Steitzer; Public Works Department.

Review of past meeting notes

Notes from the February 24, 2016 meetings were unanimously approved.

Items from the Audience

There were no items from the audience.

Transportation CIP

Dave Snider described the changes that will be needed to add 2 additional years to the transportation CIP document. The Commission discussed the "prior year" funding category and the impact on the CIP. The Commission requested more details on how the CIP is changing with the addition of future years and requested more materials ahead of the next meeting. There were also some project specific questions.

ST 3 Update

The Commission discussed correspondence between the City Council and the Sound Transit Board. Most Commissioners expressed concerns about the way the ST 3 was handled and the nature of the process that had been used to involve the Commission. The Commission asked that an additional meeting to discuss ST 3 be scheduled for the Commission.

Recognizing Carl Wilson

Carl Wilson completed his last term at this meeting and the Commission recognized his service.

Plan for upcoming Meeting with City Council

Chair Neir described his presentation to the City Council on a revised Mission Statement and work plan for the Commission. The Council wanted more time to discuss these issues and asked that a study session be scheduled.

Transportation planning for development projects

Staff reviewed processes for development review, including detailed comments on regulatory framework underlying development review, the SEPA process, codes versus discretionary decisions, the role of Chapter 110 of the zoning code and Pre-approved Plans and policies. Perspectives of both the Planning and Public Works Departments were shared. An example project was discussed to illustrate how policies apply to actual projects. There was extensive dialog between the Commission and Staff on a number of points.

Updates from Commissioners/Staff

Neir commented that based on information that has become available on the scope of the issues involved, discussions on Autonomous Vehicles should be postponed. McConnell talked about a conversation he had with the City Manager about Autonomous Vehicles and in particular the vehicles that are currently being tested in Kirkland by Google. He shared the concept of a "Driverless Car Master Plan". Commissioners were generally in favor of better understanding what such a plan would entail and several Commissioners agreed to help with that work.

Staff gave brief updates on the items listed on the agenda. Michael Snow volunteered to serve on a group studying alternative transit service to Finn Hill.

McConnell reported on part two of the KAN parking study which will focus on solutions to issues raised in the first survey. There were no other updates.

Meeting adjourned unanimously approved to adjourn at 8:49 PM.