KIRKLAND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Minutes of Regular (hybrid) Meeting January 25, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER (0:00)

January 25, 2023, Transportation Commission Regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Faith DeBolt.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chair Faith DeBolt, Vice-Chair Brian Magee, Kurt Ahrensfeld, AJ Antrim, Shree Balamurugan, Rafael Fernandez

Members Absent: Patrick Vu

Staff Present: Joel Pfundt, Julie Underwood, Victoria Kovacs, Martha Chaudry, Kim Scrivner, Janice Swenson

Recording Secretary: Franz Lumbad

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (2:49)

Mr. Fernandez moved to approve the December 14, 2022, Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Ahrensfeld. Approved unanimously.

4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE (3:35)

Brad Weed from Kirkland Greenways encourage Transportation Commission involvement in Park Lane Study listening sessions and supported activation of Park Lane for pedestrians and thoughtful package of treatments related to retail businesses.

Jenny Jaeger from Livable Kirkland supported Brad's comments and stated Park Lane should be as pedestrian focused as possible.

NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC CONTROL PROGRAM POLICY REVISION (9:11)

Victoria Kovacs, Transportation Planner, provided a briefing on the Neighborhood Traffic Control Program (NTCP) and proposed revisions to the corresponding Roadway Pre-Approved Policy to streamline the community engagement process and refine engineering criteria to better implement neighborhood traffic calming projects as part of reviving the program. The Commission provided comments and supported the proposed revisions.

6. FUTURE OF PARK LANE STUDY (36:22)

Victoria Kovacs, Transportation Planner, and Martha Chaudry, Special Projects Manager, provided a short briefing of the purpose and scope of the Future of Park Lane study. Ms. Kovacs, Ms. Chaudry, and staff gathered input and answered questions from the Commission for consultant consideration in developing and evaluating scenarios of closure of Park Lane to vehicular traffic.

7. TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN AND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE (1:23:25)

Kim Scrivner, Transportation Planner, and Janice Swenson, Senior Planner, provided a status report on the Transportation Master Plan and Comprehensive Plan update process. Ms. Scrivner, Ms. Swenson, and staff gathered comments and answered questions from the Commission.

8. COMMENTS/UPDATES FROM COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF (1:44:49)

Staff and the Commission discussed the updates listed on the agenda.

Additional comments from Staff and Commissioners: City capital project construction update, status of Google development, and appreciation of updates to the meeting minutes.

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Ms. DeBolt adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:00 p.m.					
Julie Underwood	 Faith DeBolt				
Public Works Director	Chair Transportation Commission				