
City of Salem Infrastructure Bond Engagement Steering Committee Minutes

DATE: April 4, 2022

CHAIRPERSON: Chuck Bennett

PLACE: ZOOM

STAFF LIAISONS:

Courtney Knox Busch

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Josh Eggleston

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Members Present:

Mayor Bennett

Councilor Jose Gonzalez

Councilor Chris Hoy

Councilor Virginia Stapleton

Councilor Micki Varney

Staff Present:

Kristin Retherford, Interim City Manager

Peter Fernandez, Public Works Director

Dan Atchison, City Attorney

Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer

Courtney Knox Busch, Strategic Initiatives
Manager

Krishna Namburi, Enterprise Services Director

Mike Niblock, Fire Chief

Brian Martin, City Engineer

Michelle Teed, Asst. City Attorney

James Wharton-Hess, Management Analyst II

Kelli Blechschmidt, Management Analyst I

Jennifer Keller, Parks and Rec Manager

Tammi Starrs, Engineering Program Manager

1. CALL TO ORDER: 12:01 PM / Quorum

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES MARCH 28, 2022 MINUTES:

Motion by: Member Hoy

Second by: Member Stapleton

Action: Motion passes

Vote:

Aye: Unanimous

Nay:

Abstentions:

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

a. Victor Dodier regarding Streets and Sidewalks projects

Questions or Comments by: Member Stapleton

Answers or Comments by: Victor Dodier

b. Steve Anderson regarding Marine Drive

Questions or Comments by: Member Hoy

Answers or Comments by: Steve Anderson

c. Jason Cox regarding bike lanes

Questions or Comments by: Chair Bennett

Answers or Comments by: Jason Cox

4. STAFF PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION: FOLLOW UP ITEMS

- a. Brian Martin, City Engineer presented about Transportation SDCs

Questions or Comments by: Members Hoy and Stapleton, Chair Bennett
Answers or Comments by: Brian Martin, City Engineer, Peter Fernandez,
Public Works Director

- b. Jennifer Keller, Parks Manager presented on Parks projects and parking lots

Questions or Comments by: Member Hoy, Member Varney, Chair Bennett, Member
Gonzalez, Member Stapleton

Answers or Comments by: Jennifer Keller, Parks Manager, Kristin
Retherford, Interim City Manager, Peter Fernandez, Public Works
Director.

5. RETURN TO BONDING PROJECTS:

- a. Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer and Courtney Knox-Busch lead the
Committee in a general discussion about the bond composition.

Questions or Comments by: Chair Bennett, Member Hoy, Member Stapleton,
Member Varney.

Answers or Comments by: Fire Chief Niblock, Josh Eggleston, Chief
Financial Officer, Kristin Retherford, Interim City Manager, Dan
Atchison, City Attorney, Peter Fernandez, Public Works Director

Chair Bennett excused himself at 1:12PM leaving the committee under
Member Hoy's direction. Returned at 1:14PM.

- b. Committee returned conversation to discuss Parks projects

Questions or Comments by: Member Stapleton, Member Hoy, Member
Gonzalez, Chair Bennett.

Answers or Comments by: Jennifer Keller, Parks Manager, Peter Fernandez,
Public Works Director, Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer

- c. Committee provided general feedback to staff on some projects and format
of data.

Questions or Comments by: Chair Bennett, Member Stapleton, Member
Varney, Member Hoy

Answers or Comments by Courtney Knox-Busch, Strategic Initiatives
Manager, Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer, Brian Martin, City
Engineer

6. ADJOURNMENT: 2:14 PM

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 15, 2022 at 1:00 PM.