



SALEM CONGESTION TASK FORCE
May 18, 2018
Traffic Control Center Conference Room 325
MEETING NOTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chuck Bennett, Mayor
Cara Kaser, Councilor
Chris Hoy, Councilor
Jim Lewis, Councilor

MEMBERS ABSENT

CITY STAFF

Peter Fernandez, Public Works Director
Robert Chandler, Assistant Public Works Director
Kevin Hottmann, City Traffic Engineer
Julie Warncke, Transportation Planning Manager
Carol McMann, Staff Assistant

OTHER

Scott Mansur, DKS
Jenna Hills, DKS
Julie Fischer, Cogito
Ellen Teninty, Cogito
Terry Cole, ODOT
Mike Jaffe, MWVCOG

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:02am.

2. AGENDA REVIEW AND MEETING #2 RECAP:

The Task Force reviewed the agenda and meeting goals. Scott Mansur presented information on average hourly weekday volumes and the capacity of the bridges as requested at the second meeting.

3. CAPACITY RELATIONSHIP CONCEPTS:

Scott Mansur presented information on the capacity of the bridges, bridgeheads, ingress and egress streets, and their relationships which lead to congestion problems.

4. TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS:

Scott Mansur presented solution packages for improving capacity on the Marion Street and Center Street bridges, bridgeheads, ingress streets and egress streets.

5. EVALUATION OF SOLUTION PACKAGES:

Scott Mansur provided an overview of the four solution packages for the Marion Street Bridge and three solution packages for the Center Street Bridge. The Task Force removed package #3 from the Marion Street Bridge proposals and removed package #2 from the Center Street Bridge proposals. A meeting with ODOT will be set to discuss the viability of the remaining solution packages prior to the Task Force next meeting.

5. WRAP-UP AND NEXT STEPS:

The Task Force reviewed the meeting schedule. The next meeting, scheduled for June 29, 2018, will look at the ideas more in depth along with detailed analysis of the solution packages. The goal of the next meeting will be to narrow down to a single solution package for each bridge. Materials will be distributed prior to the meeting. All Task Force members will need to be present to participate in making decisions at the June meeting. The goal is consensus, with a 3-1 majority as a back-up.

The next scheduled meeting will take place Friday, June 29, 2018, from 7:00 to 9:00 am.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

Note: Audio recording of meeting is available on our City of Salem Website, <https://www.cityofsalem.net/Pages/congestion-relief-task-force.aspx>, under "Meeting Minutes".

You can request a transcript or an alternate format by contacting:

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