# **Meeting Agenda**



**DATE**: May 27<sup>th</sup> 2021 **TIME**: 11:30am – 12:30pm

**JOB NO.** 2000722 **PROJECT:** 5<sup>th</sup> Street Bike and Ped

Improvements

**SUBJECT:** Steering Committee Meeting 1 **LOCATION:** Virtual - Zoom

### **ATTENDEES**

X Connie Bowers, City of Mukilteo X John McMillan, KPFF

X Gael Fisk, City of Everett X Emily Alice Gerhart, Fehr & Peers

X Timothy Ellis, Resident X Aaron Luoma, HBB

X Sarah Kneller, Mukilteo City Council X Alex Krieg, Sound Transit

X Robert McFarlane, Everett Transit

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Introductions (Connie Bowers)
- 2. Steering Committee Goals (John McMillan and Connie Bowers)
- 3. Project Overview and Goals (John McMillan)
- 4. Design Team Presentation (John McMillan and Aaron Luoma)
- 5. Upcoming Public Engagement (Emily Alice Gerhart)
- 6. Questions, Comments, Suggestions

### **MEETING NOTES**

- The project team presented a PowerPoint slideshow addressing the topics in the agenda.
- John clarified that poor water quality was identified as a corridor need for improvement due to the historic street conditions.
- Gael mentioned that the City of Everett is at 60% level design for the Edgewater Bridge reconstruction. The construction will occur in 2022 and last 9 months.
- Rob said that Everett Transit should be able to serve the roadway if it was narrowed to 11' lanes, depending on what's adjacent to the travel lane.
- Sarah described concerns she has heard from community members, including those that live on/near 5<sup>th</sup> Street/Old Town, and those who commute on the corridor. She said folks typically walk on the south side where there is a wider shoulder, to access residences and the dog park. She said that people often cross at Loveland/5<sup>th</sup> Street and rarely walk all the way to SR 525 to cross the street. She said midblock crossings are important on the corridor. People often complain about the lack of sidewalks, but she hasn't heard specific requests.
  - Tim agreed that the south side of the street is a strong contender for pedestrian facilities based on the access to the dog park and Japanese Gulch trail system.
     He suggested looking at the Japanese Gulch Plan to review plans for the upper and lower Japanese Gulch crossing.
- Emily Alice asked the group for additional ideas for public engagement. The group suggested fliers at the community kiosk at Lighthouse Park, and Tim offered to help flier there. Sarah suggested leveraging the City Council Facebook groups. Gael suggested a press release to My Everett News.

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- Councilmember Kneller volunteered to identify a 5th Street resident to participate in the Steering Committee.
- Gael will send Connie/Fehr & Peers the contact information for the City of Everett Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator as a possible Steering Committee member.
- Sarah mentioned that many people prefer to walk on adjacent streets rather than 5<sup>th</sup> Street because it feels fast without barriers between the cars and pedestrian travel way.
  She recommended against directing traffic down Loveland and limiting traffic on Mukilteo Lane, which already has identified issues.
- The project team will circle back with a date for the next Steering Committee meeting and ways to spread the word about the project and project survey.

## **NEW ACTION ITEMS**

- Fehr & Peers will follow up with Councilmember Kneller to identify a 5<sup>th</sup> Street resident to participate in the Steering Committee
- Gael will send Connie/Fehr & Peers the contact information for the City of Everett Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator
- The project team will send out possible dates for the next Steering Committee meeting