



11930 Cyrus Way, Mukilteo Washington 98275

City Council Transportation Committee
Committee Meeting No. 2015-7

Keeping Mukilteo Moving

September 23, 2015

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Meeting Notes

Attendance:

Committee Chair Councilmember Randy Lord
City Councilmember: Bob Champion
Mayor: Jennifer Gregerson
Management Services Director: Chris Phillips
Public Works: Rob McGaughey, Andrea Swisstack

Absent: Councilmember Cook

Meeting Objective:

1. 2016 Capital Projects

A list of 15 capital improvement projects for 2016 was presented to the Committee Members. Each project was briefly discussed. The Committee Members wanted to know how each project was prioritized and selected to be constructed.

The Committee recommended the following:

- An Integrated Priority List for Paving, Active Transportation Plans, ADA compliance, Stormwater and Sidewalk plans. This information may be visually displayed on tool like a Pareto chart
- Display the total impact on grant related projects to include City match and future investment requirements
- Council Member Lord offered to provide a ranking tool if the city would send the capital improvements project list to him

2. State Transportation Package (ESSB 5987 / ESSB 5988 / ESSB 5989)

Council President Champion requested to discuss the above State Transportation Bills. The specific requests were that the committee would like to know, be briefed and discuss if the city has reviewed all of the

elements of the State Transportation Package (ESSB 5987 / ESSB 5988 / ESSB 5989).

The committee requested that they be advised if the city has any plans for teeing up any project that meets the requirements of the Complete Streets Grant Program in ESSB 5987 and when those plans / opportunities can be realized.

Further, because the transportation package includes a total of \$638m for local projects, request that the chair and committee be informed of any considerations or plans by the city to tap any portion of the:

- \$375.0 million Direct distribution to cities and counties for road projects.
- \$70 million Transportation Improvement Board (distributes and manages street construction and maintenance grants)
- \$983 million in grants that is funded for transit, bicycles and pedestrians.
- \$174.0 million that is funded for rail projects, including safety and infrastructure improvements

There are a number of reforms in the bill and HB 1219 HB 1219 expedites repair and replacement of vulnerable bridges. The committee wanted to know if there is an opportunity for Mukilteo and WSDOT here?

2ESSB limits and expedites the permitting process. Sounds great - but what is the implication of a 90 day turn time?

The city acknowledged that while they have an expert on the detailed elements of these bills, a full review of the bills was still in progress. As such, the discussion concerned the changes in the Transportation Benefit District that allows municipalities to increase the license plate fees to \$40. The discussions were general in nature and no decisions or recommendations were made, Energy efficient vehicles were also part of these Bills. The Committee discussed that Waste Management uses “green energy” fleet vehicles and asked City staff to research possible benefits and options of green energy vehicles when looking at new vehicle purchases. The new Vector truck was cited as an example.

3. *Complete Streets Grant Program in ESSB 5987*

The city provided the information they have on the Complete Streets Grants Program. ESSB 5987 contains provisions for the Transportation Improvement Board to implement a grant program for cities to construct “complete streets” starting in 2017. The City must have a standard for complete streets adopted by ordinance in order to be eligible for these grants.

4. *Pavement Preservation Plan*

At the last meeting, the Committee Members requested one more scenario be analyzed using a decision tree of maintaining the City street system to a PCI of 77. Staff presented the results of this scenario which showed that the

City's pavement preservation program would need an average of \$1.5MM a year in funding to maintain a system wide PCI of 77.

5. *Harbour Pointe Blvd Widening Project Scope*

Alternatives for the intersection at HPB and Cyrus Way were discussed. The City has two options for this intersection, a signal or roundabout. It was discussed that a traffic model will be used to evaluate which alternative would operate best for traffic. Simultaneously, PW will submit a STP grant application in March, 2016 to help fund the City TIB Grant match requirement. Upon STP grant awards (estimated in June/July 2016), the City will recommend/pursue the most cost effective alternative. Additionally, the City will conduct a detailed cost estimate for HRD Extension to determine if project funds may be utilized on HPB Widening project.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

The next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2015 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Mukilteo City Hall Executive Conference Room (first floor).