

**CITY OF TIGARD  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
Meeting Minutes  
November 2, 2009**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Inman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held in the Tigard Civic Center, Town Hall, at 13125 SW Hall Blvd.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Commissioners Anderson, Caffall, Doherty, Fishel, Hasman, Inman, Muldoon, Vermilyea, Walsh, and Alternate Commissioner Gaschke

**Absent:** Commissioner Fishel

**Staff Present:** Senior Planner Darren Wyss  
Senior Administrative Specialist Doreen Laughlin

**3. COMMUNICATIONS - none**

**4. CONSIDER MEETING MINUTES**

**10-19-09 Meeting Minutes:** President Inman asked if there were any corrections, deletions, or additions to the minutes; there being none, President Inman declared the minutes approved as submitted.

**5 PUBLIC HEARING**

**5.1 DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT (DCA) 2009-00004. SEASONAL OUTDOOR SALES CODE AMENDMENT – Cont'd from 10-19-09**

President Inman read a statement from the applicant (City of Tigard) asking for a continuance of this hearing to a date certain of December 7, 2009. President Inman asked if there was anyone in the audience who had signed up to speak but could not make the December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. Seeing and hearing none, she said she would entertain a motion.

The following motion was made by Commissioner Vermilyea, seconded by Commissioner Caffall:

**“I move that we continue the public hearing DCA2009-00004, Seasonal Outdoor Sales Code Amendment,” as requested by the City, to December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009.”**

The motion CARRIED on a recorded vote, the Commission voted as follows:

**AYES:** Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Caffall,  
Commissioner Doherty, Commissioner Fishel, Commissioner  
Hasman, Commissioner Inman, Commissioner Muldoon,  
Commissioner Vermilyea, and Commissioner Walsh (8)

**NAYS:** None (0)

**ABSTAINERS:** None (0)

**ABSENT:** Fishel (1)

Inman announced that, per the motion, the public hearing on DCA2009-00004 is continued to December 7, 2009.

## **6. TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN BRIEFING – WORKSHOP**

### **STAFF REPORT**

Senior Planner, Darren Wyss, on behalf of the City, presented update #2 to the Planning Commission on the Tigard Transportation System Plan.

Wyss noted the following had happened since “Update #1,” which was held in August:

- Consultants have finalized the Needs and Deficiencies Report and the second public forum was held during Family Fest activities.
- Public Forum #2 was well attended and citizens provided very good feedback thru surveys that asked what current TSP projects were important to them.
- The next step in the process is to take all of the citizen input and background materials, such as the Needs and Deficiencies Report, and develop a list of recommendations to improve the transportation system over the next 20 years.
- The consultants developed a set of preliminary recommendations and they are found in the Transportation Solutions Report – (Attachment 1 in the commissioner’s packets.)
- The Solutions Report is an evaluation of strategies and projects to address existing, and anticipated, deficiencies in the system. It includes strategies to manage operations and travel demand and new facilities to improve capacity and connectivity.
- The consultant team also prioritized the preliminary recommendations and these are also found in the Report.
- The next step is to review and edit the preliminary recommendations and priorities. This is done thru:
  - Council and PC feedback
  - TAC and CAC feedback
  - Internal city staff review (3 meetings set up over next 2.5 weeks)

- Consultants will take all of the feedback and complete an initial draft of the updated TSP the first week of December.
- Wyss noted the commissioners had been provided with a copy of the Solutions Report. He said they were not going to be able to review the entire document tonight, but he would like to discuss a few projects. The rest of the document can be reviewed over the next couple of weeks, particularly the recommended projects, and their priorities. He said priorities are key to focus investment in the CIP.
- Wyss said he would like to assess whether recommendations are headed in a direction that will support Tigard's long term transportation aspirations.
- Also like to invite Commissioners to meet with staff individually again if you wish.

Wyss asked if there were any questions to this point? If not, like to discuss a few projects that are listed in the report.

**Do the projects include the Downtown Transportation Plan (Circulation)?** Yes. It will be rolled into this. **Where does the Transportation Advisory Committee fit in?**

**Looking at the priority list: Why so many "high priority"? How will we prioritize amongst those?** That's why we're here. In previous TSP's they did not have you prioritize projects. ODOT is saying that has to be done now. Yes – too many high priorities. We need to whittle down to what's really important. We need to look at our aspirations for the future - such as Downtown.

**Will there be a "real" priority report as opposed to a "wish list"?** Yes - realistic priorities.

There were a few other questions and then Wyss moved on to the following:

**Recommended for Removal in the current TSP [Re: Fig 5-3 on page 21 of the TSP]**

North Wash Sq overcrossing #15: *Wouldn't provide much benefit. Beaverton is removing it as well.*

Nimbus Extension #16: *Many environmental issues – cost is prohibitive – not enough benefit.*

Wall Street #26: *Cost to construct would be too much – outweighs the benefit.*

Dartmouth Extension #20: *Lots of environmental issues – benefit is outweighed by cost.*

68<sup>th</sup> Parkway connection to 217 #30: *ODOT said no.*

68<sup>th</sup> Parkway widening to 3 lanes #29: *Staff will propose to keep this.*

Scholls Ferry to 7 lanes west of 121<sup>st</sup> #28: *Staff sees the benefit of this – staff may recommend it be put back as a low priority.*

President Inman: **Number 22 – why is that staying?** *It's important to Washington Square Regional Center to relieve congestion. It's in as low priority.*

At this point Wyss “walked through” the following projects for the commissioners to be thinking about. He said he wasn’t looking for recommendations at this time, but just wanted them to be aware of the following:

### Road Widening Projects

**Bonita:** Consultants recommended being 4 lanes. Staff committee feels it should be 5 lanes.

**McDonald:** Recommended for three lanes – staff committee recommends keeping it at 3 lanes.

**Durham:** Current plan has 5 lanes – Hall Blvd east – 3 lanes Hall Blvd west – modeling shows it needs to be 5 lanes at some point in the future. What do you think? Is there a consensus of 5 lanes? Yes.

**Hall Blvd:** Consultants recommend 3 lanes, current TSP has 5 lanes, based on Downtown Circulation Plan which recommends it at 3 lanes, 5 south of McDonald and north of 99W. 72<sup>nd</sup>. Consensus 5 thru to 99W

**Walnut:** 3 lanes from 99W to 121<sup>st</sup>. (Will probably be a high priority).

**121<sup>st</sup>:** South of Walnut shows 3 lanes – staff recommends keeping it 2 lanes with improvements for bike lanes and sidewalks - 3 lanes north of 121<sup>st</sup> Ave.

**Upper Boones:** 5 lane section between Durham and 72<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

**McDonald:** 3 lane cross section.

### Alignments/New Connections

**Walnut/Ash:** Should be high priority

**Tiedeman/North Dakota:** Strange alignment if on Tiedeman – even worse on No. Dakota – Consultants recommend this. Good route to get across the northern part of the City east/west. So if you realign North Dakota offset intersection, put a bridge across 217 and connect it down to Hall Blvd, Pfaffle, then it would give you a way to get from 99W to this area of the City. This is just a recommendation to think about.

**North Dakota/Pfaffle:** Low priority.

**Hunziker/72<sup>nd</sup>:** Flyover 217 connecting down

**Upper Boones Ferry:** Intersection improvements and widening.

**Locust:** 3 lanes

**Hall Blvd:** Across the river to Tualatin. This is being recommended as a very low priority to remain in our plan.

President Inman said she believed the pedestrian bridge on North Dakota (page 75) should be bumped up in priority. It’s dangerous even with just two cars.

## **7. OTHER BUSINESS – Discuss what goals the Planning Commission might want City Council to consider for next year (referring to Comp Plan.)**

The question was brought forward – has anything changed since the last two times we’ve gone before them? They noted their ideas haven’t really changed.

Planning Commission's ideas still are:

- Tigard Triangle
- 99W beautification / "de-uglification"
- Completion and implementation of the Comprehensive Plan (TSP needs to be done.)

Wyss interjected that Ron Bunch was particularly interested in having the Planning Commission make a recommendation to Council using the actual Comprehensive Plan to get the goals from. Find goals in the plan that can be implemented.

Commissioner Vermilyea suggested that if that is the desire of staff then, to the extent staff can find something in the Comp Plan that lines up with the 3 stated goals, go for it.

So starting a master plan for the Tigard Triangle in 2010 would be a good goal.

Vice President Walsh said this irritates him every time it comes up as it appears to be an after-thought to ask them their ideas. He said he would like to know what's been done so he can frame a goal setting session. Beyond that he finds it hard to come prepared without knowing what's been done.


Commissioner Doherty: We have not received a report back regarding goals. My goal is to have them tell us what of the goals we gave them have they accomplished. We need feedback.

Wyss noted that Council gives quarterly updates. It was decided that the next step would be to forward those reports to the Planning Commissioners. [Doreen Laughlin, Planning Commission Secretary, will forward those reports as soon as they are distributed.]

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

President Inman adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.

  
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Doreen Laughlin, Planning Commission Secretary

  
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ATTEST: President Jodie Inman