

# Transportation & Public Works Meeting Agenda

November 19, 2020; 4:30 – 6:00 PM "Virtual Meeting"

Due to the current COVID-19 public health emergency, and social distancing protocols, pursuant to the Governor's and public health officials' orders, this meeting will be conducted virtually. The meeting will be live streamed on SeaTV Government Access Comcast Channel 21 and the City's website <a href="https://www.seatacwa.gov/seatvlive">https://www.seatacwa.gov/seatvlive</a> and click play. The public may also call in to the conference line to listen to the meeting. The number is 206.973.4555. While you will be able to hear the meeting; you will not be able to participate in the meeting. Please note that if you are unable to mute your phone, everyone else on the call-in line will be able to hear you, so please refrain from speaking. City Hall is closed so no one will be able to physically attend this meeting.

#### Councilmembers:

Peter Kwon, Chair Pam Fernald Takele Gobena

## Note: A quorum of the Council may be present

Staff Coordinators: Will Appleton, Public Works Director; Florendo Cabudol, City Engineer;

## Other Staff participating:

TIME	TOPIC	PROCESS	WHO	TIME
1	Call to order		Chair	
2	PUBLIC COMMENTS (any topic): In an		Chair	5
	effort to adhere to the social distancing			
	protocols, pursuant to the Governor's and			
	public health officials' orders, and in order to			
	keep our residents, Council, and staff healthy,			
	the Council Committee will not hear any in-			
	person public comments during this COVID-			
	19 public health emergency. The Committee is			
	providing remote and written public comment			
	opportunities. All comments shall be respectful			
	in tone and content. Signing-up for remote oral			
	comments or providing written comments must			
	be done by 2:00 PM the day of the meeting.			
	<ul> <li>Instructions for providing remote oral</li> </ul>			
	public comments are located at the			
	following link: Council Committee			

	and Citizen Advisory Committee Virtual Meetings.  Submit email/text public comments to TPWPublicComment@seatacwa.gov. The comment will be mentioned by name and subject and then placed in the committee handout packet posted to the website. Public comments submitted to an email address other than the provided address, or after the deadline, will not be included as part of the record.			
3	Prior Minutes Approval	Nov 5 minutes to approve	Chair	5
4	Street and Pedestrian Lighting on Non-arterial Roadways	Discussion/Rec ommendation	Florendo Cabudol	60
6	Future Meeting Topics: Sound Transit Parking Tax; Tukwila International Blvd Reconfiguration; 1% for the Arts on PW Projects;			5
7	Adjourn	Adjourn Meeting	Chair	5



# Transportation & Public Works Committee Meeting

# Approve Prior Meeting Minutes

# Minutes

Thursday, November 5, 2020 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM \*\* Virtual Meeting \*\*

Members: Present: Absent: Commence: 5:32 PM Adjourn: 6:05 PM Peter Kwon, Chair X

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Pam Fernald X
Takele Gobena X

Other Councilmembers participating: CM Tombs; CM HIII

Staff Coordinators: Will Appleton, Public Works Director; Florendo Cabudol, City Engineer

Other Staff Participating: Mary Mirante-Bartolo, City Attorney; Mark Johnsen, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Public Comment	None
Approve Prior Meeting's     Minutes	Oct 15 Minutes were approved
Noise Variance Code     Language	Discussion/Recommendation  Will Appleton, PW Director, presented the topic proposing to amend City code to formalize our ability to approve necessary variances to our noise ordinance to accommodate certain construction related work performed in the right of way, when safety is an issue.  Examples of construction related activities often requiring work to be performed outside of normal working hours include utility related relocations that require road closures or work that must be completed without interruption to minimize impacts to the public. One example was installing the overhead pedestrian walkway over International Boulevard at the Airport Light Rail Station. This work was performed at night to minimize impacts to the traveling public on International Blvd.  Staff explained that scrutinizing requests for variances, and approving them with limited time duration is something we are doing now and have been doing. Staff is asking to formalize within code our ability to continue doing this.

Looking ahead, Sound Transit and SR509 freeway extension construction will be ramping up and this necessary code housekeeping will formalize our ability to keep approving those variances that are necessary for safety and minimization of impacts to the public.

A question was raised if there were differences in noise ordinance between commercial and residential construction. Staff answered that there is no distinction currently within our code between the two. The noise ordinance limits construction to the hours of 7AM to 10PM Monday through Friday, and 9AM to 10PM on weekends. Approval of noise variances for residential construction would be very rare. There has to be a compelling reason to grant a variance, and not for the purposes of approving an accelerated construction schedule.

Staff mentioned that Council could choose to create separate approved construction hours to be codified for residential or commercial construction, at a later date.

Another question raised was whether a long term noise variance would be granted (for instance, for a two-year construction schedule). Staff answered that that would not be the case. The variance must be for a compelling reason, and the duration of time would be limited to that reason only.

A question was raised about fees. Staff answered that a noise variance fee of \$219 is in place in our current fee schedule. The fee is a realistic amount due to the staff time it takes to review, and either reject or approve a variance.

The Committee approved moving the noise variance code changes forward to full council, when a complete draft ordinance would be available for Council to review.

# Temporary Speed Reduction in Construction Zones

Discussion/Recommendation

The topic of a temporary speed reduction in construction zones was presented by Florendo Cabudol, City Engineer.

The City has received a request for a reduced speed limit t from our contractor on the South 200<sup>th</sup> Street Shared Use Path project, This is due to the workspace along South 200<sup>th</sup> being constrained with not much room on the shoulder. This request is for safety reasons for the public and construction workers within the construction zone. State law allows the City to post speed signs, but does not allow for

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Staff is requesting this new code language that allows us to both post a lower speed limit in a construction zone, and allow for Police to enforce the lower limit.

The Committee raised a question as to how the lower speed would be enforced. Staff answered that an off-duty officer and vehicle are on site at the construction zone, and could either pursue a speeding vehicle or dispatch a call immediately to Police.

	The urgency to attend to this matter now is that construction is underway on the South 200 <sup>th</sup> Path and safety is currently an issue for workers and the traveling public.
	The Committee approved moving this to full Council on the consent agena.
4. Adjourn	Adjourn Meeting

Approve Prior Meeting Minutes



To: Transportation and Public Works Committee Through: William Appleton, Public Works Director

From: Florendo Cabudol, City Engineer

Date: 11/17/2020

Subject: Street and Pedestrian Lighting on Non-Arterial Roadways

## **Purpose:**

The purpose of this presentation is to report out on Council Request Form 2020-20 requesting information related to following items:

- 1. Installing a stand-alone pedestrian lighting;
- 2. Installing stand-alone street lighting;
- 3. Install combined aerial/pedestrian lighting;
- 4. Provide a Record of Material (ROM) estimate (+/- 30%) to complete installation of street lighting on the south section of:
  - o 30th Avenue South
  - o 32nd Avenue South
  - o 30th and 32nd Avenue South completed together
- 5. Research if there are any 'emergency' or 'fast path' funding available to illuminate the referenced corridors.

## **Background:**

Council Request Form 2020-20 was submitted that inquired about the feasibility of installing street and/or pedestrian lighting on several streets near or adjacent to Madrona Elementary School (located at 20301 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue South – see attached map). This request was based on the desire to improve safety for students and other pedestrians walking in the area. This aligns with the City's Goals of investing in infrastructure that enhances the livability and safety of the community and its residents.

Staff has conducted the research and analysis with preliminary findings presented for the Committee's review and consideration. There is currently no capital improvement project identified in the City's 6-year Transportation Improvement Program that would build these improvements. However, the segment of  $32^{nd}$  Avenue South between South  $200^{th}$  Street and South  $204^{th}$  Street has been a candidate for sidewalk improvements in recent Sidewalk Program project selections.

# **Options/Recommendation:**

Options the Committee may consider are:

- Amend City Code/Standards to allow the City to provide and fund street/pedestrian lighting on non-arterial classified streets (local roads);
- Bring the findings to Council for consideration of establishing a new street/pedestrian lighting program to retrofit streets with illumination;
- Amend the Sidewalk Program to allow for projects to retrofit streets that have sidewalk/pedestrian facilities with street/pedestrian lighting.

# 32nd Ave S, S 200th St to S 204th St City of SeaTac, Washington 35th Ave Legend S 201st St **Street Centerlines** StreetCenterlines Ave 30th SeaTac - Local S 202nd St 5.202nd St Private, Driveway 32nd Other - Freeway S 202nd St Pedestrian Network **Curb Ramps** S 203rd St 203rd St S 203rd St Crosswalks Marked Unmarked 34th Ave 9 Pedestrian Network Driveway S 204th St S 204th St S 204th St S 204th St Map Description Candidate for 2019 Sidewalk Committee Project Prepared by the City of SeaTac GIS. All rights reserved. This 500 1000 product has been compiled from the best available data. No warranty is expressed or implied as to accuracy, completeness, or fitness for any specific use. Not to be used for purposes of legal Map Generated: Thursday, November 14, 2019 description or definition. Not a substitute for a professional survey. City of Des Moines, WA, City of SeaTac, County of King, Bureau of Land Management, Esri Canada, Esri, HERE, Garmin, **UNOFFICIAL**