

Members in Attendance:

Carol Jensen – Bayside
 Andrea Tucker – Port Gardner
 Victor Harris – Port Gardner
 Karen McAllister - Bayside
 Michael Trujillo- Cascade View
 Mary Fosse – Delta
 Ryan Weber - Delta
 Colleen Kain – H-S-G
 Ann Krolak – H-S-G
 Sara Steuben - Lowell
 Arthur Olson – Pinehurst
 Jim Prissel- Pinehurst
 Katrina Lindahl – Riverside
 Chris Geray – Silver Lake

George Lockeman – Valley View
 Vanessa Randall – Valley View

Christina Strand – Bayside
 Kari Quaas – Northwest
 Gary James – Pinehurst
 Tammy Caldwell – Port Gardner
 Dennis Dudder – SFP & VR/M
 Michael Hill - Pinehurst

Staff:

Wendy McClure
 Tom Hood

David Stalheim

Enjoleah Daye

Excused:

Tom Norcott
 Andrew Moe

John Sweeny
 Robin Rigdon

John Van Patten
 Pamela Lynn

Guests:

Rose Dixon Cook

Cindy Kessner, Norm Larsen

Called to Order: 4:00 p.m.

I. APPROVALS & COMMENTS

- ✓ Agenda approved with no discussion
- ✓ Sept minutes approved with no discussion
- ✓ Citizen Comment - Rose Dickson Cook – Lives 2 blocks off of Broadway. She appreciates new bus stop, Everett bus stop moved to near YWCA at light. Transit agencies have been very responsive. She brought a concern about removal of traffic circle. Wrote to city traffic engineer on May 21, May 29, certified mail, sent photos of Shoreline traffic circles, asking that circles be put back in, and asking that city traffic engineer respond to correspondence. A letter in response is business standard. Keep circles painted, would like City to respond to her. 35th and Oakes circle was removed. Mayor indicated staff will follow up on concern.
- ✓ Carol announced resignation of Jim Grieco, and acknowledged his years of service and leadership on the CON.

II. SAFETY MINUTE and CLIMATE MINUTE

Safety minute – hazardous tree removal – check for unsafe trees and arrange for their removal. Reminder of daylight saving time changes on Saturday, getting dark early. Drive with caution, also pedestrians need to be mindful.

Climate Minute - plant replacement tree after you take down hazardous tree.

III. MAYOR CASSIE FRANKLIN

Mayor announced that her Budget presentation is this week on Wednesday, Oct 30 at 10AM at Council Chambers. Budget is result of many months of work by staff, finance team and Council finance committee. City faces a sizeable structural deficit. Budget reflects priorities such as public safety, transportation, quality of life. Increased investment in fire department using large grant to pay for additional fire staff, such as at Station 6. Very busy at that station. Mayor updated the council on recent crime stats that show improvements in several areas. Violent crimes decreased, gang related offenses reduced. Positive trends. Fully staffed police department is projected for 2020. COET has had 9,000 interactions in 2 years, offering referrals to services, balanced with enforcement. Goal to increase police enforcement levels to pre-recession levels.

Transportation and infrastructure improvements are a priority. Funding for public works projects, Grand Ave Park bridge completion. Pothole free streets will be addressed with street overlay. I-976 will reduce funds for transportation, including para transit. Budget has funding for parks improvements. Budget address will be at 10AM on Wed in Council Chambers. Public can attend first budget hearing at City Council that evening as well.

Rucker renewal – almost done with phase one, next couple weeks will have openings soon. Roadwork is an inconvenience, but the completed project will make city more walkable and user friendly.

Mayor provided an update on Youth Advisory Board - 18 youth appointed, focused on advising Mayor's office with youth perspective. Hope to get young people engaged on the other boards as well.

George – commented about other towns with public toilets in downtowns - a welcoming way to help people who need a facility. Mayor responded that city periodically discusses and does recognize need for more tourist options.

Kari commented that Northwest has had gas syphoning incidents. Mayor urged people to call 911 about incidents and criminal activity. Inquiry about incident with Jackson household observing drinking at the park and driving. No response, no follow up call.

Andrea recently called 911, and officer call back was offered. She commented that YMCA park was not yet named. Historical Commission voted on a name, Parks Board voted on name, City Council decided to delay official name of park. Mayor responded that the park naming is still in process, Councilmember Moore and Stonecipher are reconsidering naming policy.

IV. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON JUDY TUOHY

Update – Councilmember Tuohy was informed that Hoyt segment (Pacific to Wall Street) of downtown streetscape improvements will open in a week.

The Budget is the big item coming forward to Council at this time. Red light camera topic coming back in December. Council asked for an update and asked for evaluation of several intersections with bad problems. There are issues with implementation including legal issues, so staff will come back with staffing impacts. Cameras do reduce incidents, change people's habits while in use. Revenue of fines (\$124.) would go into improvements for street safety. Question about buying camera vs contracting for services.

Resident asked about intersection at 41st and 3rd. Turn light coming down 41st going left onto 3rd. City staff will follow up.

Question about traffic lights management, would revenue go out of state if contractor is from out of state. Comment suggested school zones be considered for cameras.

V. CITY & COMMUNITY ITEMS

David Stalheim, Planning Dept – Rethink Zoning Toolkit. David thanked neighborhoods which invited him out to talk about Rethink Zoning. Input has been helpful. In fall months, staff is holding internal conversations, then will share with public and get feedback. David is glad to come back to neighborhood meetings.

There is new info on website, www.everettwa.gov/rethink. Newsflash will be used to distribute info about these planning meetings. He encouraged people to sign up for Newsflash for Rethink. A community survey will be used to get community input – available via cell phone using QR code. Open through Nov 22.

Staff are in process of environmental review of this project under SEPA. Scoping the environmental impact statement at this time. Three alternatives are proposed - with transit-oriented development as 3rd Alternative. What should City be studying in the environmental review? Comment sheet to take comments to turn in or send in an email. 425 257-8731.

Tom Hood, Pubic Works/Engineering – Bridge projects – Tom described two bridge projects focused on seismic work – 1) Maple Heights bridge retrofit including structural integrity enhancements. Need to address rain drainage to keep water away from abutments and reduce environmental impacts. Expansion joints need to be fixed. \$1.6 million, mostly federal money. In design now, likely to have 6 months of construction. Spring to Fall 2020. Alternating traffic with flaggers. Construction staging will be on Harborview Park property. Minimal short duration road closures during construction which will be day time work. Expected to alternate traffic over the bridge with flagging during construction.

The second project is Edgewater Bridge replacement – narrow sidewalks, no bike lanes and was built before earthquake design codes. This is a total bridge replacement. Entering design phase now with consultant. Plan is to get preliminary designs, then start a significant public involvement campaign with BB and HSG, and Mukilteo School district, Boeing and other stakeholders. Expect preliminary alternatives – full closure of bridge or a stage a phased construction of new bridge. Will be asking community for input on closure plans. May design a lane of traffic first in new bridge and add another lane later.

Considering widening travel lanes, adding bike lanes, sidewalks, and some architectural interest gateway treatment. Budget of \$22 million, mostly federal funds. Will take a year of design and public involvement, construction in spring of 2021. Could be a 7-8month or 2year project depending on approach. Expect preliminary alternatives – full closure of bridge or a staged construction of the new bridge to allow a partial closure.

Considering widening travel lanes and sidewalks, adding bike lanes, and some architectural gateway interest treatment. Ryan asked about bike lanes, and potential for separation for pedestrians and bikes. Not likely to have a separation. Are protected bike lanes an option? Difficult due to constraints of location.

Victor asked about ferry traffic, and population coming to Everett. Do we need a larger road, or lower road to handle more traffic in the area? Tom responded - About 6,000 trips per day in that segment, well within capacity of 2 lane roadway. Will ask Gibson Traffic consultants on board to help with traffic. Type, Size and Location will be done in early spring.

Communications - Wendy reviewed use of online tools on City website - Notify Me newsflashes, as well as posting neighborhood meetings and events to City website Community Calendar. She passed out a how-to sheet and demonstrated the website features and process.

VI. TEAM WORK – UPDATES & NEW IDEAS

School Partnerships - Carol described recent visit with Dr. Ian Saltzman, new Everett Superintendent. We were referred to meet with three additional district staff. This will occur in November.

Karen attended Everett High School PTA meeting and made good connections. Better Communication among neighborhoods – who would like to be involved.

Michael asked about how to get each other

Monte Cristo – update postponed to November meeting.

Social Practical – Ideas Fair and matching funds application training on Oct 29.

CON Retreat – Carol outlined proposal for CON to carry out a review of bylaws and ordinance which established CON. Survey questions would be used to get input prior to Nov meeting.

Exec Committee proposal is to collate responses and hold a one-hour discussion about bylaws and ordinance, at November meeting. Propose to use the January meeting of CON for longer session to continue the review and do goal setting. Vanessa asked is this something we can implement or are we subject to whims of the City? Carol explained that Mayor, Julie and others will want to have a report from the Nov dialogue meeting. In response to question, Wendy confirmed that the Bylaws are amendable.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEIGHBORHOOD REPORTS (highlights only)

Michael – Cascade View – candidate forum was held, 20 candidates, lots of people were there - 35 residents attended.

IX. FIVE ITEMS TO REPORT

1. Delta – All invited to Delta meeting Nov 19 7pm - Dr. Nancy Amidei – Advocacy 101 at Baker Community Center, fliers distributed.
2. Red light camera issue
3. Rethink Zoning survey avail now Nov 22, public hearings in spring
4. Two bridge projects in HSG - Mukilteo Blvd – Maple Heights bridge in 2020 and Edgewater Bridge spring 2021.
5. School partnerships – Dr. Saltzman – invite neighbors to step up to partnership with schools

X. ADJOURN 5:55 p.m.

Next meeting Nov 25, 2019 at 4PM