



Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board

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Pedestrian Master Plan*

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Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board (SPAB) Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2022 - Virtual:MS Teams, In-Person: City Hall 370

Attendees:

Board Members

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Non-Board Members

Belén Herrera, SDOT

Brian Dougherty, SDOT

Radcliffe Dacanay, SDOT

Darrell Bulmer, SDOT

Garth Merrill, SDOT

Cory Dude

Jeff Bender

Cecelia

Ryan Packer

Welcome, Roll Call, and Vision Zero Update

- Total fatalities year to date: 18
- 8 people walking; 3 people biking; 1 person motor, 6 people driving

Public Comment

- NONE

Rapid Ride J Line Presentation

Darrell Bulmer and Garth Merrill, SDOT

- Q: Will the pedestrian areas adjacent to bike lanes have visual or tactile options for separation?
- A: Intersections will have green crosswalk for bicycles and separated from the white markings meant for pedestrians. Along east lake –bi-directional bike lanes will go behind the stations and separated. Buses will be doing in-lane stops with the traffic. Crossing of bike lanes from the station platform to the sidewalk – the bike lanes will be stripped green, raised and marked for pedestrians. Example near Roosevelt. The other area on Fairview near Aloha – we are updating the design currently. We have a mixing zone and are working on keeping them

separated.

The Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board shall advise the City Council, the Mayor and all the offices of the city on matters related to pedestrians and the impacts which actions by the city may have upon the pedestrian environment; and shall have the opportunity to contribute to all aspects of the city's planning insofar as they relate to the pedestrian safety and access.

*-City Council Resolution
28791*

Seattle Transportation Plan Update

Radcliffe Dacanay, SDOT Principal Planner

- Q: Actions included are high level right now, next phase will it be more specific?
- A: specific to applying actions in certain locations. For example – create low traffic streets or expand Stay Healthy Streets – where and how to create networks out of existing programs. Make better signage and permanent infrastructure. What kinds of infrastructure would we need to make.
- Q: Replacement of street illustrated?
- A: Compliment, not replace. STP – People Spaces and Public Spaces (PSPS) – think how we might create people priority streets. How might we expand on few pedestrian only locations and connect to make a network and expand our shared streets. We need to explore how to secure funding to make it happen. Pricing our right of way to regenerate revenue to pay for these ideas.
- Q: Does this translate to project lists every year or broader measurement of success?
- A: We will have broader policies. Certain situations could freight and transit lane share space? Managing our expectations to move from A – Z and car culture of 15-20 min, our future will be different and may not be fast by car with many other options, especially short trips. To be able to those, we would have 6-12-20 year project list that would align with the land use growth concept
- Q: Once complete – will there be other ways of measuring your success?
- A: There will be a monitoring component. High level of VMT traveled and reduction. Encourage folks to drive less. Measuring greenhouse gas emissions; miles of implementation of networks (ex SHS, bike lanes). Speeds on arterials are exceeding posted speed limits and hope to have conversations to manage speed and increase safety; explore different methods of data collection and improve our education campaigns.
- Comment: Plug for neighborhood greenway. Queen Anne is working on Pedestrianizing Crockett Street. A goal is to work with the city to make this a process that is replicable in other neighborhoods.
- Response: working with a number of colleagues and Crockett St does come up. No explicit program to pedestrianize streets. Current options are use existing School Streets or Stay Healthy Streets and turn them up a notch – re-prioritize them for people with minimal design options and overtime as funding becomes available we can do a real transition of some of these spaces.

Board Business

- In-Person/Hybrid Meeting Options
- Meeting Minutes Approval (June and Aug 2022)
 - Approved with 1 member abstaining
- Future Topics of Interest:
 - Can email co-chairs if topics thought of later
 - Automated Enforcement – Block the Box Campaign Study
 - Crosswalk policy changes memo
 - Vision Zero update with current data getting worse
 - 15th Ave Project as part of their overlay – would like to return

- Temporary Permits – sidewalks are blocks without proper notice, construction phasing and specifications for pedestrian detouring
- We as a board identify issues – reference to walk audit on Aurora Ave. Where is our chance to brainstorm solutions to problems?
- STP Workshop Report Back from Chris:
 - Actions and workshopped of questions to balance
 - BINGO card of 26 actions and how to overcome difficulties
 - Reviewed goals and visions that's online now
 - Interested in performance metrics and things are still evolving
 - Actions feel like objective at the moment, what are the actions to reduce VMT?
- Levy Oversight Committee (LOC) Updates
 - Status from September – NSF projects
 - New this round – using existing list of backlog projects for this round
 - Top of list to LOC for review – about 19 projects to rank according to criteria like equity and geography
 - November will be discussion and priorities
 - Grid showing where meeting our goals; bike lanes and structure
 - retrofitting not meeting
- Board Roles and Responsibilities
 - Chairs: Emily and Maria – voted in 2022
 - Secretary – option
 - LOC monthly meetings
 - Run the twitter
 - Coordinate VZ subcommittee/Connect with Allison on stats
- Option for retreat
 - Notice for the public to workshop values and priorities
 - No budget and can meet at desired location including City Hall, Municipal Tower
 - No time or date restrictions
 - Would like before the end of the year – preferred option is to host retreat in lieu of a December meeting – Emily will send out a short poll
 - Offsite location suggestion – Thornton Place mixed use and book a room
 - Can review documents from past boards' annual report
 - Notify if need SDOT staff

Public Comment

NONE

Meeting Adjourn - 7:50 pm

****next meeting is November 9, 2022**