

**Coalition of Gresham Neighborhood Associations
June 12, 2018 – Oregon Trail Room, Gresham City Hall**

Meeting Minutes

NEIGHBORHOOD	ATTENDEES	NEIGHBORHOOD	ATTENDEES
Centennial	<i>INACTIVE</i>	Northeast	<i>INACTIVE</i>
Central City	<i>INACTIVE</i>	North Gresham	<i>Mike Elston, Linda Parashos</i>
Gresham Butte	Tracy Slack	Northwest	<i>Kat Todd, Elizabeth Livingston, Dave Dyk</i>
Historic Southeast	<i>INACTIVE</i>	Gresham Pleasant Valley	
Hollybrook		Powell Valley	<i>Stella Butler</i>
Kelly Creek	<i>Charles Teem, Carol Rulla</i>	Rockwood	<i>Catherine Nicewood, John Bildsoe</i>
Mt. Hood	Matt Callison, Kelly Scally	Southwest	<i>Suzan Wells, Brandon Harer, Gail Cerveny</i>
North Central		Wilkes-East	
Staff & Guests:	<i>Guests: Dale Cerveny City of Gresham Staff: Michael Gonzales, Jeremy Provenzola, Tam Driscoll, Torrey Lindbo</i>		

Carol Rulla called the meeting to order at 7:03PM. A quorum was present.

Coalition members and guests were introduced. Meeting minutes from 4/10/18 were adopted. No members of the public came forward for comment.

Kane Reconstruction

Jeremy Provenzola with City of Gresham storm water engineering presented an overview of the Kane Drive project. Dec 2015 received 3 inches of rain in 6 hours, which caused a blockage of the culvert under Kane Drive and a washout of the roadway. An emergency repair was made initially, with two smaller culverts. A permanent open-bottomed concrete culvert that meets regulatory needs is being planned now. Kane Drive will be closed between NE 23rd and NE 17th for approximately 7 weeks (mid-July – September, tentatively), with local access only on nearby streets (NE 23rd, NE 17th, and Kane on either side of the closure).

Carol Rulla asked about detour signage; Jeremy noted that the signage will show *Truck Detour* onto Hogan. No specific detour is planned for other traffic because Hogan cannot handle the addition of all 25,000 daily trips from Kane. Road closure signs will be in place on I-84, US 26, and other arterials to allow traffic to take other routes. Signage will go up after a pre-construction meeting on June 26th.

Tam Driscoll, Community Relations Manager with the City, noted that a communications plan is in place to notify residents. Traffic signal timing and other street maintenance is also being coordinated.

The contractor has incentives to deliver the project earlier than the 7 week closure and penalties for closure more than 7 weeks. Costs for the project are primarily from a federal highway emergency relief fund for approximately 90% of costs; remaining costs are paid by the City. Total cost is over \$4 million (over \$2.5M for the permanent repair and \$1.6M for the temporary repair).

John Bildsoe asked whether the new culvert would be delivered on the freeway. Jeremy confirmed that it would. It is an oversized load and will be brought in smaller sections (that will be oversized); they will be delivered over a couple days.

Tam Driscoll also provided an update on the local street reconstruction program. Over a 5-year window, approximately 25% of local streets will be repaired or replaced. An online map is available. Postcards and signage will be put into place for neighborhoods as they are impacted. Carol Rulla asked for clarification if postcards will be provided electronically to NAs in advance. This was confirmed. It was noted that in early July a significant portion of 182nd will be re-surfaced; Suzan Wells noted that this would particularly impact Southwest NA, which relies on 182nd for access.

John Bildsoe noted concern that road closures may not have sufficient notice. Tam noted that there will be a weekly webpage update along with road-closure signage in advance of the closure. John also asked about the contractor; Tam noted that she would follow-up with the name of the contractor.

Stormwater Management Manual Overview (neighborhood perspective)

Torrey Lindbo, City of Gresham Water Sciences Program Manager, presented an overview of the stormwater management manual. This is a set of requirements for developers.

The need for stormwater management is a requirement from the State DEQ, which permits the city with regards to stormwater management. The permit has requirements for development impacting > 1000 square feet. The current requirements focus on removing pollutants and improving water quality, as well as reducing quantity of runoff, and prioritizing green infrastructure. This helps fish habitat in urban streams (such as Johnson Creek and others).

The project that Torrey presented was in three parts: (1) updating the water quality manual (now called Stormwater Management Manual to reflect that quantity as well a quality of stormwater needs to be managed), (2) review the Development Code (applies to new development) to align with the manual, and (3) minor revisions to Gresham Revised Code (applies to all property owners).

A key principle discussed in the manual is a hierarchy of stormwater practices. Infiltration is a preferred method. A variety of other alternatives are ranked, with an “in lieu fee” as a last resort.

Suzan Wells asked about maintenance for stormwater infrastructure. Torrey noted that a variety of ownership and maintenance patterns are in place, including private maintenance (Carol Rulla confirmed that this includes multi-family properties like apartments but not multi-owner properties like subdivisions), public street maintenance, streams, and centralized facilities. Public street facilities have a basic level of maintenance done by the City, though neighborhoods and adjacent property owners are encouraged to arrange for additional maintenance. Postcard reminders are sent to individual property owners who require maintenance (e.g., for properties with dry wells), and larger commercial properties where the City has records about the type of stormwater infrastructure in place.

One area of focus is multi-owner backyard conveyance pipes, with ownership shared by adjacent property owners (a fairly prevalent form of drainage in Gresham). These systems occasionally do not receive adequate maintenance. To address this issue, the City is encouraging drainage to the fronts of properties and, when that’s not possible, is considering introducing a “1 owner : 1 easement” model, with drainage flowing through a single adjacent property (versus all properties on a street).

One other key conveyance requirement of development is to require a downstream analysis report, to analyze downstream stormwater impacts from the development. In addition, the city’s multiple stormwater master plans are being consolidated and updated into a city-wide stormwater master plan.

A planning timeline was presented. City Council will have a hearing on the plan on July 17.

Suzan Wells, Stella Butler, and Kelly Scally noted concerns about private property owners maintaining stormwater infrastructure, and City code enforcing maintenance and requirements.

Neighborhood & City News & Reports

Carol Rulla provided updates on the following topics:

- Fireworks Enforcement Update – Flyers regarding the City’s fireworks enforcement plans were distributed. The Fireworks Committee will be distributing flyers in neighborhoods. Citizen Volunteers in Policing (CVIPs) will be helping with signage in parks. Mike Elston provided

additional signs focusing on illegal firework prevention and the impact on veterans and pets. Mike will bring signs to ONCE, available for NAs. Suzan Wells asked whether the flyers would be provided electronically. Carol Rulla noted that Coalition members would receive the flyers electronically.

Michael Gonzales provided ONCE updates:

- Mt Hood NA has been re-activated, with Board members in attendance.
- An update on the ONCE block party trailer, which will be stocked and available for NA use. Michael will notify Coalition members when the reservation system is ready.
- Volunteer picnic will be July 10th (before the Coalition meeting). NA leaders are encouraged to attend.
- NA matching grants have been awarded.

Linda Parashos noted that North Gresham NA recently revised their NA yard signs with a vinyl overlay made by a local sign shop, at a lower price than new signs. Business cards for the local business, The Sign Shop, that worked with North Gresham were available.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:43PM.

Minutes prepared by Dave Dyk, Coalition Secretary-Treasurer

Next meeting: **Tuesday, July 10** – City Hall Oregon Trail Room