

**CITY OF SHORELINE**  
**SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL**  
**SUMMARY MINUTES OF WORKSHOP DINNER MEETING**

Monday, April 9, 2018  
5:45 p.m.

Conference Room 303 - Shoreline City Hall  
17500 Midvale Avenue North

PRESENT: Mayor Hall, Deputy Mayor Salomon, Councilmembers McGlashan, McConnell, Chang, and Roberts

ABSENT: Councilmember Scully

STAFF: Debbie Tarry, City Manager; Randy Witt, Public Works Director; Nora Daley-Peng, Senior Planner-Transportation; and Bonita Roznos, Deputy City Clerk

GUESTS: Sidewalk Advisory Committee: Andrew Hellman, Cara Hutchison, David Anderson; David Dailey, Dennis Terpstra, Dustin McIntyre, Julie Miller, Lisa Leitzelar, Pamela Cross, Robin McClelland, Rosa Singer, Ryan Gulick, Tana Knowlton, and Tim Friedrichsen

At 5:46 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Mayor Hall.

Nora Daley-Peng, Senior Planner-Transportation, explained that the Sidewalk Advisory Committee (SAC) is addressing the American Disability Act (ADA) Transition Plan and the Sidewalk Prioritization Plan as two concurrent but separate projects. She said the Pedestrian System Plan, from the 2011 Transportation Master Plan, served as the baseline for sidewalk prioritization to address safety and equity issues. She noted that there are 78 miles of existing sidewalks and 75 miles of planned sidewalks. She shared that a data-driven prioritization process was used to assess safety, equity, proximity, and connectivity criteria. She presented the Sidewalk Prioritization Scorecard point system and explained how it was used to reprioritize sidewalks in the Pedestrian System Plan. She reviewed the work completed to date and showed a video displaying sidewalk issues in the City.

Ryan Gulick, SAC member, shared that the top priority is repair and maintenance of sidewalks. He said SAC identified 118 projects for 64 miles of sidewalks, at a cost of \$377 Million, and categorized them into high, medium, and low priority projects. He stated high priority projects total 15 miles at a cost of \$112 Million, and noted that the ADA Transition Plan will assist with some funding in the high priority areas. He said \$950,000 is required for sidewalk repair and maintenance, and funding options include General Fund Contribution, Sale and Use Tax, and Vehicle License Fees. SAC is recommending continued use of the General Fund Contribution of \$200,000, and a 0.1% increase in Sales Tax for sidewalk repair. He reviewed success measures and issues to address over the next three to five years. He stated that sidewalk expansion is SAC's second priority and identified 19 miles of expansion needed to help pedestrians progress across the City. He reviewed potential cost control strategies, and said SAC recommends a Levy Lid Lift for the November 2019 Ballot to raise \$100 Million over a period of 10 years. He asked

for the Councils' feedback on the pros and cons of increasing sales tax, and about past and present barriers impeding sidewalk improvement.

Councilmembers spoke about the current property tax climate and cautioned against placing additional financial burden on property owners. They were receptive to the consideration of increasing the sales tax in an effort to have everyone contribute to the funding for sidewalks. They explained that a lack of funding and other City priorities have been the only barriers to sidewalk improvement. They called attention to the fact that some neighborhoods are not interested in having sidewalks, but said their support is still needed, and suggested presenting a plan that emphasizes child safety.

Tim Friedrichsen, SAC, shared that committee members walked the streets of Shoreline to better understand ADA issues, and observed that most repairs are required due to trees and slope grades. He spoke about the need to integrate sidewalk repair issues with tree/park issues. He recommended publicizing complex sidewalk issues and engaging the public to encourage them to take care of their own property. He explained that strategies for new sidewalks includes right surface, right location, right tree, and address water regulations, cost control, green stormwater structures, safe passage, expansion, and public education. He talked about alternative sidewalk treatments, asked Council if there is support for sidewalk expansion, and what information SAC can provide them to assist in their decision making.

Councilmembers stated they support retaining current standards for ADA compliance, improving safety, and looking at alternative sidewalk treatments that meet the City's surface water management requirements. They agreed that it may be practical to have different standards in different areas of the City, but cautioned against sending the wrong message to developers about the minimum required standards.

Mr. Anderson stated that the Sidewalk Prioritization Scorecard provides options to have both standard and alternative treatments for sidewalks with the goal of providing better connection throughout the City.

At 6:45 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

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Bonita Roznos, Deputy City Clerk