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Southwest In Motion (SWIM) Plan Stakeholder Working Group #6

Meeting Agenda

Thurs. April 05, 2018 4:30-6:30 pm

Community Room at Stephens Creek Crossing

6715 SW 26th Ave

Members of the public are always welcome!

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1. Welcome and Introductions (includes public) 4:35 - 4:50 PM
Includes 5-minute initial public comment opportunity
 - Nick shared a photo of SW 19th St, and new Shared Street in Portland, which is Part of SW Trail 6. There is an Oregon State Law regarding speed limits and road widths. It makes it so in residential areas you can have a street that's narrow enough to slow the speed down 15 mph.
 - Comment: Plenty of streets eligible for 20 mph are similar to SW 19th.
 - Question: Have you analyzed streets that could have this treatment or signage?
Answer: We're doing some analysis for the backend of this project. Trying to figure out the ROW width and streets where we might be able to apply the same shared street treatment.

2. Updates 4:50 - 5:00 PM
Summary of focus group priorities surveys, online needs map response levels, follow up from SWG survey on proposed measures.
 - Comment on the online map tool: Difficult to draw lines on the map tool, so some people just placed points instead of dealing with drawing the line in there.

The group discussed the summary results of the prioritization criteria priority surveys:

- Comment on the results: Aggregate of the numbers will actual put usage levels above under-served and vulnerable communities.
- Question: What is the usage variable again? Is it current or future usage?
Answer: Future usage.



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- Question: You'll get more usage if you fill the gaps and other things.
- Question: Do funding opportunity and feasibility really need to be criteria, or should there be more of a qualitative assessment once we get a refined project list?
Answer: We agree that they are not quite the same as the other criteria, and do belong as a tail end evaluation after the primary prioritization.

3. Project Implementation Framework

5:00 - 5:45 PM

Presentation of where projects live at PBOT, and identification of the many paths to completion. See where SWIM fits into this framework.

- Question: Where they live? What does that mean?
Answer: Internally we have a division between these major project lists and the programs. There's the major projects and then the smaller projects that live on the different programs.
- Question: Where do these live from an IT perspective? Are they available online?
Answer: The network completion projects are not available compiled or online on a map yet. Working on getting these into a map with the TSP Digital Document.
- Comment: Would like to see the different neighborhoods and where projects came from without digging through lots of old plans.
- Comment: SRTS – can we acquire ROW these routes?
Answer: SRTS projects and networks are up to that team, but property acquisition is general not a possibility with the current funding source for SRTS.
- Question: Do these other projects end up in these lists?
Answer: We should be able to match all projects within PBOT's project framework.
- Comment: In addition to the TSP projects, we should have projects by other bureaus so you can coordinate with them.
Response: Yes. We are currently working with BPS to coordinate, but they're not ready to release their list.
- Comment: Also need to include PBOT's maintenance projects as potential opportunities.
- Comment: Hopeful that we might be able to chop up some of the big projects to make them fit within the 1-5 year category.
- Question: What about projects that are in the 1-20 or unconstrained? We may find that some of those, or portions that should be prioritized. The time frames there were pretty much invented by PBOT staff based off what the bureau can afford.
Answer: These projects on the major list are so fundamental to circulation, so if there's a way to segment a project and move it up we'll try. There might be some opportunity to fix or reorganize some of the TSP projects to adjust where things are placed.
- Comment: An example would be Sunset and Hamilton without Dosch, which needs to be done at the same time.

- Comment: Scoring from 2015 (TSP) wasn't very clear. According to land use law, all these projects are needed for growth. Lots of growth in SW in the last 10 years and not much investment in infrastructure.
- Comment: 1) Can we really think about how we pull smaller segments of these projects to put on other programs. 2) Hope that the advocacy used to put projects from the 1-10 year list is not lost when we start reorganizing things.
- Comment: Premise with the bike plan is that all roads are currently designed to accommodate cars, but we must change conditions to accommodate biking. When do we get to the point where we must make it a complete street or shut the street down so that it can be safely used for walking and biking?
Answer: We're looking at an analysis of roadway width to see where there might be opportunities for reallocating space as a way to implement facilities.
- Comment: We need information to help make decisions. What is TriMet's long-term plan? Bus service not going to Maplewood and Hayhurst anymore. TriMet is the elephant in the room that we're not hearing from. Need to think about the smaller projects that can connect to transit routes. How do we get to smaller projects? Don't hear anything from TriMet about what's going on with transit.
- Comment: ETC sounded like it's going to become the COP Transit plan, which is only in the Eastside besides the Lines 54/56.
Answer: We will ask TriMet for the latest information and share it with you all.
Comment: Board is voting on the TriMet service enhancement plan soon.
- Question: As a group, will we have a chance to talk about some of those roadway enhancement treatments?
Answer: Yes.
- Comment: Paving and maintenance is a way to get some safety improvements with wider walking lanes or biking lanes. Could you try to get us more clear information about the paving and maintenance list so we can give our input about what streets could benefit from changes/ improvements to the line markings?
Answer: We have a system at PBOT where the planners are informed of upcoming paving projects. They don't forecast 5 years in advance, but we'll look in to finding out more about their long term paving schedule.
- Question: Will the SWIM list adopted by council have projects and deficiencies? Where do flex posts or other components of projects come from?
Answer: SWIM will have a list of detailed projects, with clearly defined project descriptions. Our engineers will help us evaluate potential design solutions.

On the topic of opportunity/coordination projects

- Comment: Water Bureau, ODOT (particularly), Metro/ TriMet should all be added to the list of other implementation players. Safeway on Capitol Hill Road could be improved through redevelopment.

- Comment: 19th – Citizens did a lot of work and couldn't get any traction for this project.
Answer: Getting infrastructure built through new development is important, but we're not going to build a network with lot-by-lot construction.

4. SWIM Project Lists

5:30-6:00 PM

Discussion of the proposed sorting and categorization structure for the SWIM project lists.

- Question: Can you explain the refinement process as it relates to a specific project?
Answer: Sidewalk on one side of the street, shorter segment of street, etc. Looking for ways to implement projects that might not be as expensive as a full TSP projects.
- Comment: Missing projects from the Marquam Hill Plan
Response: Some smaller projects overlap with TSP projects and are included as a part of those larger projects.
- Comment: We want to talk about the programs funding we have before September.
Response: SWIM has a few small pots of money from Fixing our Streets. The money is dedicated to find some of the first SWIM projects, and it won't disappear.
Comment: We're concerned that by lumping the smaller projects into the large TSP projects, we've lowered their priority and urgency. Could you segment major projects based off smaller projects that overlap?
Response: Yes, this is a good idea.
- Comment: Can we rescope projects in half and then move them to the different programs?
Answer: Yes. Once we identify the top priority projects, engineers will help us re-scope projects so that we can be most effective with our money.

On the topic of new project ideas:

- Question: Are you asking whether you should put these user-submitted projects through a filter?
Answer: Yes
- Comment: Putting them all together and running through prioritization as points/ lines on a map. Maybe you could run the network through the prioritization to see what segments would score the highest.
- Comment: Make the small projects in the neighborhood easier for people to implement and then they'd disappear from this list.
- Comment: Look at the user submitted projects as segments, like the main lists, and figure out what are the most implementable/ important projects based off the prioritization.
- Comment: Can we have a two-hour meeting to talk about all the projects and scores once we get there. We shouldn't discount projects that were added because there might be some value.

Comment: Can we all take a red pen to the comments/ projects and filter them as a working group?

5. SWIM Project Selection Process

6:00-6:25 PM

A proposed process for narrowing our list, grounded in our prioritization measures, enhanced with public engagement.

- Question: Where would Barbur with the SW Corridor fit?
Answer: Barbur is tricky. Round two of looking at projects would help us determine redundancy and other implementation issues.
- Question: Will all of this be done in 5 months?
Answer: There might be a pause as we wait for other plans.
Comment: During the TSP process, we didn't like output from TSP and they told us it was too late to make changes. We don't want that to happen again.
- Question: Will we be able to weigh in on things we want for PedPDX, or the network?
- Answer: Yes.
- Comment: Some of these projects are ridiculous and should be removed from the list.
- Answer: During the project verification process you and your neighborhood groups can advocate for projects, or potentially against projects. Tell us about it after we get the project list further refined.
- Question: Can you get the new project ideas list before the next meeting? Maybe you could drop it off at SWNI.
- Answer: Yes.

6. Public Comment

6:25-6:30 PM

There were no public comments