



CITY OF BEND

Minutes

Core Area Advisory Board

Thursday June 16, 2022

Council Chambers, 710 NW Wall Street Bend, OR

3-5pm PST

This meeting will be held in person for board members and via Zoom for members of the public.

3:00 p.m. Core Area Advisory Board Meeting

Roll Call

- Kurt Alexander, Chair
- Corie Harlan, Vice-chair, not in attendance
- Alyssa Heim
- Dale Van Valkenburg
- John Fischer
- Jeff Baker
- Katherine Austin
- Kina Condit-Chadwick
- Elisa Cheng
- Katy Brooks, Bend Chamber of Commerce, not in attendance
- Sharon Smith, Bend LaPine School District
- Rachel Colton, Bend Park and Recreation District, in lieu of Rachels absence Henry Stroud, Bend Park and Recreation District
- Nick Lelack, Deschutes County, not in attendance
- Lynne Mildenstein, Deschutes Library District
- Rachel Zakem, Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council
- TBD- Central Oregon Community College
- Barb Campbell, Councilor

1. Approve Minutes (5 minutes) – Chair Kurt Alexander

Change to the May 19, 2022 minutes: Rachel Colton wants to amend section 2 of May 19, 2022 minutes to read, “Rachel Colton, Bend Park and Recreation District who could only make the first half of the meeting were submitted online”.

Kathy Austin made a motion to approve the updated minutes with the change, John Fisher seconded. Unanimously approved.

2. Public Comment (15 minutes) – Chair Kurt Alexander

Public comments from:

Elise Jones-Owner, Fancyworks Yarn Shop, in the BCD sent in 6.16.22 via email. All written comments submitted are posted to [Core Area Advisory Board webpage](#).

John Kish- Owner- Somewhere That's Green plant shop and soon to be Greenhouse Cabaret, located on 2nd and Greenwood. Concerns were voiced about the Bend Central District, BCD not having great walkability. Suggestion made to have continuous sidewalks, street lights, accessibility for events, walkability, parking and nice aesthetics.

Chris Darling-Owner of Arbor Mortgage Group on 2nd Street and Greenwood. In support of second street being revitalized as it does not currently support consistent ADA access. 2nd Street has one of the highest and best uses of any district in Bend for infill growth of mixed use, residential and commercial. By bringing lighting and beautification we are going to make it safer for Bend Citizens.

3. Midtown Crossings Project Update (25 minutes) – Rory Rowan, City of Bend Project Engineer

2020 Transportation GO Bond Project Background was presented.

First step, do a feasibility study which includes Greenwood Avenue, the existing under crossing coming in and out of downtown, Franklin Avenue and Hawthorne Avenue. The outcome of this study is primarily for implementation recommendations.

Engineering consulting team has been selected. There is a public outreach component to this study. We also have to work with ODOT and the railroad on what is possible and what the limitations are since those are their facilities, not city owned.

Online open house launched June 13 runs through July 3. In person open house on June 22nd.

**4. Core Area Funding Priorities (60 minutes) – Allison Platt
2nd Street streetscape concepts**

Funding priorities presentation was shared with the committee. The model has not changed. Generally, there will be an estimated \$10 Million to spend on projects within the TIF plan between 2023 to 2027, and an additional \$12 to \$15 Million for projects between 2028 and 2032.

Committee split into groups to participate in the Core Area Funding game. Allison to prepare and share summaries of each groups 5-year funding board.

5. Stipends Update (10 minutes) – Allison Platt

Starting with the August meeting committee members can opt to receive a stipend in the amount of a \$40.00 cash card or a check in the amount of \$40.00. This stipend is intended to cover committee members expenses such as, childcare or transportation costs to the CAAB meetings.

6. Next Steps & Hybrid Meetings (5 minutes)

- a. Next Meeting: Thursday, August 18, 2022 3-5:30pm
 - i. Will be open to the public
- b. No July meeting

Adjourn: 5:06 pm

To watch the live recording of this meeting, please visit:

[June 16, 2022 recording](#)