

From: Melissa Baldwin [<mailto:mgbrn1@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, June 5, 2019 5:17 PM
To: Karen Swirsky <kswirsky@bendoregon.gov>
Subject: RE: Bend City Streets

Dear Karen,
Thank you for the info again, but, there does not seem to be any answers to the comments.

Also, I tried to get out at 5:30 yesterday and since I live on NW 3rd Street, I have 2 options, Portland Ave and Newport Ave. Both were backed up from the stoplight on Wall Street to 5th or 6th Streets. I do not mean to be disrespectful but, I believe that the city is being Totally Irresponsible allowing 650 new homes to be built at the top of Skyliner Road when NOTHING has been done with the existing roads to allow for the traffic that will come from there. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE address this issue BEFORE allowing the building to commence.

Thank you,
Missi Baldwin, RN

From: Karen Swirsky <kswirsky@bendoregon.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 29, 2019 4:36 PM
To: Melissa Baldwin <mgbrn1@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: Bend City Streets

Melissa,

Good to talk to you this afternoon. If you're interested in learning more, please go to the website here: <https://www.bendoregon.gov/city-projects/transportation-system-plan>. There is also an interactive map here: [Interactive Map](#). Your comment can be found here: [Public Comments](#). There are a lot of comments and no particularly easy way to search them, my apologies.

I'm forwarding your comment to Janet Hruby in our engineering department; she manages traffic calming.

Karen



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From: Melissa Baldwin [<mailto:mgbrn1@yahoo.com>]
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Subject: FW: Bend City Streets

From: Melissa Baldwin <mgbrn1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2019 1:20 PM
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Subject: Bend City Streets

Dear Karen,

We spoke the other day and you suggested that I send you an email regarding some issues and suggestions.

The 1st issue evolved from the Bend Bulletin of Saturday, 2/16/2019 regarding road congestion. The article stated that there is a “decades-old city policy” prohibiting the widening of 14th Street, Newport Avenue and Galveston Avenue. I see that policy as a real problem for the community now in 2019! We now have both COCC and OSU-Cascades along with numerous new homes in the Shevlin area which are all causing tremendous backups on all the said main roads daily. A new Bend Bulletin article in Sunday, 3/16/2019 states that there are plans for 650 more residences above NW Crossing!!!! This is really becoming a Huge concern to me, so much so that I plan to attend the planning commission meetings.

My suggestion: Widen Portland Avenue from NW College Way to NE 4th Street. Portland Avenue is a main artery that offers access to NE 3rd Street as well as the 97 parkway and could well reduce some of the NW community traffic congestion on the other roads. It also has two 4-way stop signs, one at 5th Street and one at 9th Street to keep the traffic speeds down.

My 2nd issue is that I live on NW 3rd Street and I understand that at some point (before I purchased my home) the city of Bend made 3rd street, between Newport and Portland avenues, a thorough fare and only allowed west side of the road vehicle parking. This has been an issue for the 20 residents on this street for many years because of the high speeds of the drivers anxious to get from one end of the block to the other!!!! The recent snow caused major problems because there was only 1 snowplow pass done by the city, straight down the middle of the street and it was not done until Thursday 2/28/2019! Even with the use of my personal snowblower, I was unable to get out of my driveway for a week, until I paid someone to remove the snow in front of my home with a Bobcat. It was then possible for me to get my vehicle out of my driveway and, allow the numerous “thorough fare” drivers to have an area to pull over when 2 vehicles are on the street.

My suggestion: Change the thorough fare to 5th Street, where there is a 4 way stop sign on Portland Avenue and only 10 residents on 5th street. 5th street also has a cross street, Ogden Avenue, which the residents could use for extra parking needs.

To alleviate the traffic on 3rd Street, the city can place speed bumps on our street and put up signs at either end of the block to direct the traffic to the new 5th Street thorough fare.

The residents on 3rd Street would be happy to get together with you sometime soon to discuss these ideas or any other possible solutions you might have.

I look forward to your response. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Melissa Baldwin, RN

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