

TMAC Meeting Notes

January 21, 2021 @ 12:00 pm

Online Meeting via Zoom

In Attendance

- TMAC Members: Joy McMurray, Mitsuru Saito, Clancy Black, Laurie Urquiaga (Planning Commission Representative) (Departed the meeting at 12:50 PM), and Dave Harding (Council Representative)
- Staff: Robert Mills, Shane Winters, Rob Hunter, Jared Lillywhite, Dixon Holmes, Jared Lillywhite, and Kristal Howarth
- Guest: Eric Rasband, UDOT

Prior to discussing the items on the agenda, Chair Black read a statement regarding the continued need for electronic meetings and the justification for holding the meeting via Zoom.

Item One – Evaluation Criteria for Center Street Projects

- Staff reviewed the progress of the Center Street project list up to this point. Staff also explained the proposal to evaluate the various projects that will be presented. Staff explained that the evaluation criteria for the proposed projects was derived from the Council's Center Street Intent Statement.
- Staff also suggested there should be some sort of guiding logic/philosophy that can be used in determining the criteria. Staff has used the following in developing the criteria: "Use the least intrusive approach, in incremental steps, to achieve the desired outcome." TMAC members seemed in favor of this approach.
- Mr. Black explained that things to consider would be effective speed management and continued business support.
- Mr. Winters suggested that aesthetics should also be considered in the evaluation.
- Ms. McMurray recommended trimming the list of criteria where possible by combining similar suggested items.
- There was discussion among members and staff regarding East/West mobility and how it relates to the Center Street projects. Ms. McMurry said that, while she always advocates for East/West mobility, it probably should not be a criterion for evaluation. Ms. Urquiaga concurred by saying the word "enhances" may not be appropriate. Mr. Winters expressed that other projects, such as Public Works working with UDOT to retime Downtown traffic lights, are occurring that are focused on enhancing East/West mobility that relate to Center Street, but that are not necessarily Center Street specific.
- Mr. Black also suggested that the mass transit proposed criteria also be removed.
- Mr. Mills suggested that he combine and finalize the list of evaluation criteria and send it to the TMAC members to review prior to the next meeting; and then at the beginning of the

next meeting, the members could vote on it. The TMAC members in attendance agreed to move forward that way.

- As a final note, TMAC members and staff felt it would be a good idea to invite the Parks Department to come to the next TMAC meeting and give a presentation about the future regional park near the airport. They would like the Parks Department to discuss the studies that have been done regarding transportation options for the park and how transportation impacts could be impacted.