Chats from Transportation and Parks/Recreation Policy Meetings

Transportation Policy Meetings – April 21, 12 p.m.

11:59:34 From Zachery Cardoso to Everyone: Welcome! For a smooth and efficient meeting please keep camera and microphone OFF unless you are called upon. We want to let participants know that the chat will be publicly posted on the project website, please keep that in mind when forming your questions and/or comments.

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12:10:44 From Peter Bergel to Everyone: please explain again how to do it from a computer
12:10:57 From Zack Bessler to Everyone: • Click this link: https://pollev.com/eunicekim347

12:15:37 From Daniel Roth - AIA Salem to Everyone: Could you provide a link to that vision document?
12:16:22 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: https://www.cityofsalem.net/CityDocuments/our-salem-vision-2021.pdf
12:16:49 From Daniel Roth - AIA Salem to Everyone: Thanks Eunice!
12:19:48 From Ted Stonecliffe (Cherriots) to Everyone: https://www.southsalemtc.org/
12:19:53 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: Is staff voting?
12:21:39 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: You got 30 votes!
12:22:24 From MBrown to Everyone: Can a city staff member who is also a resident vote?
12:22:46 From Laurie Dougherty to Everyone: don't see this online
12:23:32 From Laurie Dougherty to Everyone: just refreshed the page and got i
12:24:50 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: I will note that it is possible to vote more than 1 time for any item on the list. This includes voting more times than the total number of items that are on the list ... voting 5 times when there are 4 items on the list.
12:25:02 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: B will increase VMT!
12:25:33 From Hollie Oakes-Miller to Everyone: Does B include public transit or is this just about vehicle traffic?
12:26:21 From Julie Warncke, Salem Public Works to Everyone: I think it would include public transit
12:27:02 From Peter Bergel to Everyone: what about skateboards?
12:27:21 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: Congestion is good to get people out of their cars.
12:27:32 From Selina Barnes to Everyone: Austin said the city council had already decided regarding the Willamette River crossings for transportation. So everyone knows, would you state what their decision was?
12:28:24 From Selina Barnes to Everyone: Thanks Eunice.
12:28:25 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: Lots of staff voted for B! I don’t think staff should be voting.
12:28:59 From Zack Bessler to Everyone: How do you know what staff voted for?
12:29:17 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: It got 30 votes. There are only 35 here.
12:30:32 From Peter Bergel to Everyone: define parking minimum
12:31:29 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: It looks like you can vote twice! Everyone should just vote once.
12:31:55 From Zack Bessler to Everyone: The poll didn’t start
12:32:10 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: Please re-display the policy ideas.
12:32:41 From Zack Bessler to Everyone: 404 typically means the URL is incorrect
12:32:54 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: The new poll isn’t up
12:35:10 From MBrown to Everyone: Should the plan contemplate the possibility of more delivery vehicles on streets...and potentially aerial delivery via drone?
12:35:31 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: Core network map: https://www.cityofsalem.net/CityDocuments/cherriots'-core-network-map-2020-02-12.pdf
12:36:07 From Zack Bessler to Everyone: Has there been a consideration to permanently shutdown a street or 2 in downtown for a better foot traffic experience? For example Court St between Commercial and High
12:36:31 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: There are studies that show delivery vehicles reduce traffic and don’t increase it.
12:37:25 From Virginia Stapleton (She/Her/Hers) to Everyone: Are we considering more greenways or bike boulevard’s?
12:37:38 From Nick Fortey to Everyone: This policy discussion and our review and input would be helped if we had some data on system inventory and performance -- e.g. for West Salem we have deficiency on bike and ped network
12:38:49 From MBrown to Everyone: Could there be small scale improvements made now--like a Cherriots app that shows bus locations--that would improve the customer experience without large scale policy adoption?
12:40:21 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: Last time I, as SCAN Transportation Chair, identified broken sidewalk in need of repair the response I was given was two years out!
12:40:27 From Phil Carver to Everyone: What would be the process for reducing the speed limit on Cordon Road going over a missing segment of bike land as it crosses over highway 22?
12:40:53 From Phil Carver to Everyone: It is currently 55 mph
12:41:21 From Phil Carver to Everyone: Missing segment of bike LANE
12:42:57 From Peter Bergel to Everyone: As long as bikes have to share the road with motor vehicles it seems unlikely that many will begin opting for biking. It’s too unsafe more most people.
12:46:10 From Jeff Miller - Coldwell Banker Commercial to Everyone: Understanding that buses with high ridership volume have a smaller carbon footprint per person than a single rider vehicle. That said, has there been any discussion of utilizing ride sharing programs as opposed to larger carbon footprint buses that are predominately vacant?
12:46:31 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: Please vote just once. The polling is not valid if people vote more than once.
12:47:25 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: In response to Mr. Bergel’s question, my observation is that Salem’s bike lanes are designed for the “strong and fearless” category of rider. Not many of those. We need designs, including bike lanes separated from traffic lanes by MORE than a painted line.
12:47:44 From Zachary Sielicky to Everyone: For clarification, a "New Policy" means something other than the current talks about bringing commercial air service?
12:47:45 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: If aviation ever goes all-electric I would be a Yes!
12:48:24 From Zachary Sielicky to Everyone: Commercial Air Service in Salem is essential for our communities growth.
12:49:22 From Zachary Sielicky to Everyone: *Community's
12:50:44 From Hollie Oakes-Miller to Everyone: We can't bring commercial flights into Salem and meet emissions goals.
12:52:15 From MBrown to Everyone: Might be beneficial to prioritize what metric is important. Traffic flow/speed vs reduced greenhouse gas emissions.
12:53:12 From Zachary Sielicky to Everyone: It would decrease the amount of GHG emissions from all of the individuals from our region who travel 60 miles north to PDX.
12:54:20 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: I haven’t seen any proof of that Zachary. Can you provide your source?
12:55:16 From Zack Bessler to Everyone: Where else are they going to fly out off?
12:55:32 From MBrown to Everyone: have to incorporate the need for increased police service for the inevitable theft and disputes
12:55:52 From NEN - Alan Scott to Everyone: I disagree with Zachary Sielicky statement. Two major airports within an hours drive. What we need is a better shuttle system to either PDX or EUG. Salem hasn’t had enough passengers to support commercial flights which have had to be subsidized by the city.
12:56:40 From Selina Barnes to Everyone: For electric vehicles support - does it include safe battery disposal?
12:56:58 From Daniel Roth - AIA Salem to Everyone: Can you name specific strategies for this infrastructure, other than a lot of EV parking spaces?
12:58:10 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: Multifamily development needs EV charging.
12:58:26 From Zachary Sielicky to Everyone: 98% of Salem residents would pay more for the convenience of flying out of Salem. We are one of 3 Capital cities in the United States without air service. It is my personal belief that it would grow Salem in a positive way. Thank you for the dialogue! I love engaging community members!
12:58:34 From Phil Carver to Everyone: One way to encourage EVs is to require large apartment buildings to have charging stations for tenants at cost
12:58:49 From Zachary Sielicky to Everyone: https://b8971ce0-e5f0-474d-8134-14b4bbf6f9c.filesusr.com/ugd/77515b_80691ed51e614bee9b564666d935aad7.pdf
12:59:00 From Laurie Dougherty to Everyone: Agree with Alan Scott about better shuttle service. My son is flying in next week for a visit. Taking Max from airport to Union Station and Amtrak to Salem.
12:59:05 From Bill Holmstrom to Everyone: Don't forget electric bikes
12:59:34 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: I will concur with Alan Scott. The airlines have hub and spoke routing systems. Salem is located too close to Portland and Eugene for them to contemplate locating to Salem w/o incentives paid by the City.
13:01:00 From Peter Bergel to Everyone: Climate considerations require that we discourage rather than encourage fossil-fueled air travel.
13:02:12 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: If we don't dramatically reduce our VMT we will never meet the Council goal of net zero emissions by 2050 and halfway there by 2035.
13:02:59 From NEN - Alan Scott to Everyone: I would like to suggest a couple of books for folks to consider: "Street Smarts" and "Walkable City Rules"
13:03:23 From NEN - Alan Scott to Everyone: Apparently there is a private group raising funds to do this again
Our Salem project

13:03:39 From E.M. Easterly to Everyone: The 2021 Salem Vision calls for more multi-family housing at the edges of Salem. How will Transportation policy support or contradict those ideas?

13:04:22 From Virginia Stapleton (She/Her/Hers) to Everyone: Better crosswalk policy please!

13:04:51 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: Is Cherriots considering some form of bus rapid transit like they have in Eugene?

13:05:32 From Laurie Dougherty to Everyone: Pedestrian Scramble - walk button stops traffic in all directions

13:05:40 From MBrown to Everyone: Try to reduce the use "consultant speak" words in the entire plan. "Seek" "consider" etc. The seeking and considering should be done in the process and the plan should be based on action words.

13:06:05 From Daniel Roth - AIA Salem to Everyone: I think a conversation surrounding changes in traffic infrastructure that speeds up public transit movement (i.e. bus-only signals, or something more robust like the EmX in Eugene)

13:06:43 From Nancy McDaniel to Everyone: A policy on noise attenuation in street design is critical if multi-family housing is located on corridors.

13:06:58 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: How about “long green” that is possible TODAY using the existing traffic signal system?

13:07:31 From Austin Ross to Everyone: Nancy, thanks for that idea. We do have a new policy idea regarding that, but it wasn’t in this presentation. Thanks for weighing in on that

13:08:24 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: Thank you, Julie. for the update.

13:09:11 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: What is the latest on the ODOT retrofit of the Center St. Bridge? Will there be any improvements in addition to the seismic retrofit?

13:10:03 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: :-(

13:11:34 From Peter Bergel to Everyone: I appreciate the desire for public input, but it seems like that process has been done several times over a number of years. When do we get down to actually making changes?

13:13:43 From NEN - Alan Scott to Everyone: Excellent discussion...thank you.

13:13:47 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: Why, oh why, is Our Salem putting multifamily on the urban fringe? All that will do is “drive” traffic from the housing to wherever the jobs, shopping, etc. are located. And, put more strain / congestion on the very few arterials that exist in Salem.

13:13:54 From Peter Bergel to Everyone: so when?

13:15:03 From NEN - Alan Scott to Everyone: Salem needs to consider more of a "form-based" code rather than the current zoning system

13:15:54 From Hollie Oakes-Miller to Everyone: We will never meet any of our emissions targets if we don’t transition away from single-occupancy vehicles and toward expanded fully electrified public transit. What is being done to make that happen?

13:15:57 From Laurie Dougherty to Everyone: Victor Dodier. exactly - we need to stop development on the fringe

13:17:01 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: We need to end car-dependent development at the edges of Salem.

13:17:27 From NEN - Alan Scott to Everyone: Completely agree with Victor Dodier

13:18:08 From NEN - Alan Scott to Everyone: Downtown living might be more viable with a grocery store accessible without having to drive to it.
13:18:28 From E.M. Easterly to Everyone: Thanks to all who add concerns regarding proposed dense residential development at the edges of Salem.

13:18:54 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: Bike infrastructure in Salem is stuck in the 20th century.

13:19:05 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: Any thoughts at Cherriots to the old electric bus technology, that is buses powered by an overhead centenary as is used in San Francisco and Seattle?

13:20:14 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: I meant it is painted lines on the street. Unsafe.

13:22:18 From Jim Scheppke to Everyone: Thank you for a great session!

13:22:25 From Zachery Cardoso to Everyone: Subscribe to receive our emails and stay engaged! https://cityofsalem.us1.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=9c537ef0aeb7914e4fe4f6d5c&id=21d07b5555

Transportation Policy Meetings – April 21, 5:30 p.m.

17:31:38 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: Welcome! For a smooth and efficient meeting, please keep camera and microphone OFF unless you are called upon.

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17:43:10 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: If you just joined us, you can use this link to participate in the online polling: https://pollev.com/eunicekim347

17:47:11 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: You can learn more about it here: https://www.southsalemtc.org/

17:48:29 From Ted Stonecliffe (Cherriots) to Everyone: There is also a public survey open until April 26th on southsalemtc.org that we encourage everyone to participate in.

17:49:32 From William Davis to Everyone: Would votes for A. and B. prioritize sidewalks being available at all in neighborhoods?

17:50:05 From William Davis to Everyone: Many neighborhood streets in Sunnyslope don't have sidewalk improvements existing

17:52:24 From Meg Hummon to Everyone: How do I vote for congestion control without endorsing another bridge?

17:52:43 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: We are keeping the chat comments, so you can just leave that comment here!

17:53:21 From William Davis to Everyone: Placemaking sounds another requirement for developers to adhere to or what does that mean?

17:53:45 From William Davis to Everyone: *sounds like

17:55:25 From John Love to Everyone: We need to encourage non-single occupant vehicle commuting, rather than widening roads or constructing new roads.

17:58:25 From Elliott Lapiné to Everyone: I'm speaking to my neighborhood association about the idea of a 'parking benefit district' - a neighborhood version of common downtown parking practice.

18:00:16 From Meg Hummon to Everyone: D implies that widening roads is inevitable. The emphasis needs to be on alternatives to cars.

18:00:33 From Lynn Takata to Everyone: Explore and encourage permeable surface materials for parking lots. Have the city research available parking before adding more parking lots.
18:02:14 From John Love to Everyone: I totally agree with Meg. Studies have shown that widening encourages more traffic and the congestion is reduced for just a short time.
18:03:33 From Elliott Lapinel to Everyone: Thanks Julie! - I wonder if any local studies had been done when those parking ideas were being investigated?
18:04:56 From Elliott Lapinel to Everyone: haha, I'm in Grant trying to push the idea.
18:06:49 From Meg Hummon to Everyone: What is a sustainable airport? One with (not yet feasible) electric planes?
18:07:16 From William Davis to Everyone: I listened to the airport work session recently and I would think this might be a barrier to their own strategic planning process?
18:07:51 From Meg Hummon to Everyone: In other words, in climate change terms, expanding the airport is an oxymoron.
18:09:41 From William Davis to Everyone: I support this idea, though we already have a lot of needy streets for pedestrian and bicycle connectivity so I wouldn't want to take priority from that.
18:11:06 From Steve Anderson to Everyone: What about volume to capacity ratios?
18:11:09 From Meg Hummon to Everyone: Yes, we need to measure change, but does this incision a microchip on every bicycle, or what?
18:11:52 From John Love to Everyone: Cellphone tower data is already being used in places.
18:15:18 From John Love to Everyone: Apps to inform commuters about traffic conditions, alternative routes should be utilized.
18:18:59 From William Davis to Everyone: would this be a variable parking pricing regime that updates periodically?
18:19:16 From William Davis to Everyone: Like one street would cost more than one two blocks away.
18:20:08 From Meg Hummon to Everyone: Infrastructure for walking and biking is much less costly than supporting cars and parking. What can we do to make e-bikes an affordable option?
18:20:22 From William Davis to Everyone: like the 80% goal I'd imagine this would get after?
18:20:29 From William Davis to Everyone: vacancy goal.
18:20:41 From Lynn Takata to Everyone: Expensive and limited parking will encourage alternative forms of transportation.
18:21:09 From John Love to Everyone: The city can work with Ride Salem to buy e-bikes to share.
18:21:30 From Meg Hummon to Everyone: We subsidize car parking with city taxes. Almost anyone can ride an e-bike, even on hilly parts of town.
18:24:07 From John Love to Everyone: I was Cherriots transit operator for almost 40 years. I would like to provide input and participate in discussions regarding transportation in Salem area.
18:24:10 From Lynn Takata to Everyone: Code amendments to allow alternative sidewalk materials that are permeable to help keep mature trees.
18:24:37 From Steve Anderson to Everyone: Is there plans to prioritize streets currently congested and not meeting mobility goals to be looked at first to reduce traffic, congestions, and wait time emissions?
18:28:11 From Meg Hummon to Everyone: For pedestrian safety, consider “scramble” intersections (all traffic starts, weds and bikes can go directly to destination rather than crossing turning traffic.
18:28:31 From Ted Stonecliffe (Cherriots) to Everyone: Cherriots will be doing a long-range planning project over the next year or so. That plan will help paint the picture of transit in the region for the next 5, 10, and 20 years. This long-range plan will help inform the Salem Transportation System Plan as well.
18:30:48 From William Davis to Everyone: Is there a way to participate in the Cherriots project currently?
18:30:48 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: Subscribe to receive our emails and stay engaged! https://cityofsalem.us1.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=9c537ef0aeb7914e4fe4f6d5c&id=21d07b555
18:31:15 From Steve Anderson to Everyone: Thank you Eunice, Austin, Julie & Ted
18:31:51 From William Davis to Everyone: Sounds great, thanks
18:32:21 From Elliott Lapinel to Everyone: Thanks
18:32:23 From William Davis to Everyone: Happy sunset everyone before the rain comes back
18:32:25 From Lynn Takata to Everyone: Thank you!

Parks and Recreation Policy Meetings – 12 p.m.

11:57:08 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: Hi Ms. Kim- I just left you a voice message about the April 30th meeting.
12:01:21 From Shelby Guizar - Admin Analyst to Everyone: Welcome! For a smooth and efficient meeting please keep camera and microphone OFF unless you are called upon. We want to let participants know that the chat will be publicly posted on the project website, please keep that in mind when forming your questions and/or comments. You may see duplicates of this message as others continue to join. Thanks for joining!
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12:13:04 From Shelby Guizar - Admin Analyst to Everyone: To participate in the live polling:
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12:14:59 From Shelby Guizar - Admin Analyst to Everyone: To participate in the live polling:
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12:15:23 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: What is a linear park?
12:15:59 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: Thank you!
12:16:16 From Lynn Takata to Everyone: Are there park goals about increasing the urban canopy and supporting wildlife?
12:19:10 From Patricia Farrell, Parks and Natural Resources Planning Manager to Everyone: We do not have specific tree canopy goals for each park, just an overall city goal for canopy. We do a lot of planting in parks in low canopy areas currently.
12:20:14 From Daniel Roth (AIA Salem) to Everyone: Can there be public/private partnerships for creating parks?
12:21:19 From Daniel Roth (AIA Salem) to Everyone: Thank you Patricia!
12:21:28 From Zach Pate to Everyone: I feel the goal of focusing on the riverfront area as a recreational access could be a conflict with the goal of creating an equitable distribution of parks. It often is a pitfall of many cities to invest more on parks in more well-off neighborhoods- just a thought
12:21:28 From Heather Cohen to Everyone: There is a pending land sale in my neighborhood that would border what's now Hilfiker Park. How can I keep track of how this land will be used?
12:22:08 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: Isn't the playground in the SW corner of the Salem Health property (old site of Howard Hall) an example of a public-private partnership?
12:23:33 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: Is that the adaptive playground?
12:24:56 From Patricia Farrell, Parks and Natural Resources Planning Manager to Everyone: Yes Amy, that playground is for inclusive play.
12:25:01 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: Here's the map where you can search for land use applications:
   https://salem.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/819dd777a21045d5895348d869d503bd
12:25:02 From Nadene LeCheminant to Everyone: It seems that central city residents enjoy far more park spaces. Like the earlier commenter, I would love to see more parks in less well served parts of the city.
12:25:11 From Heather Cohen to Everyone: Thank you.
12:25:34 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: You can search for land use and other permits here:
   https://egov.cityofsalem.net/PACPortal/Search/All
12:26:03 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: I think that the playground at Salem Health is an adaptive playground. At least that is what I recall from it’s development.
12:26:38 From Patricia Farrell, Parks and Natural Resources Planning Manager to Everyone: We try to acquire property throughout the city. It often depends on willing sellers. We just acquired an addition to Fisher Road Park and Hazelgreen Road, both in NE
12:26:55 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: I would love to see more inclusive play options in city playgrounds
12:28:07 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: Great! I know for families I work with, having more options would be so helpful
12:29:26 From Nadene LeCheminant to Everyone: How is the pedestrian/bike trail from Bush Park to Minto Brown coming along? Does it look like it may happen in the near future?
12:29:27 From Zach Pate to Everyone: The safety issue is very tough. Is there a precedent for city parks and rec departments coordinating with local non-profits to provide help for the homeless rather than just moving them elsewhere?
12:29:47 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: I don't know if you’ve had a lot of conversations about this, but having bathroom facilities at parks is so critical. When they have been closed due to Covid it has caused so many issues for people who rely upon those facilities.

12:31:33 From Zach Pate to Everyone: Thank you!

12:32:10 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: What would it take to put restrooms in our parks?

12:33:27 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: Thank you. I don't want to be the "Restroom Lady," but it seems to be such a huge need.

12:33:53 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: It would take a larger City General Fund expenditure for Parks and Rec!

12:39:26 From David MacMillan to Everyone: I assume this would include exercise stations for oldsters, like are popping up in China and other places.

12:39:34 From Nadene LeCheminant to Everyone: As far as designing parks that offer diverse uses, I love the way part of Bush Park is left a bit wild. It creates a "nature experience" for families who may not be able to get to the areas farther away.

12:41:02 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: I'd love to see some walking paths around playgrounds or other spaces so adults could exercise while the kids play. And I second the comment about Bush Park having open natural area- it almost feels like a forest walk in the city.

12:42:45 From Lynn Takata to Everyone: Also like seeing natural "wild" areas in public parks to support pollinators and wildlife. Portland has an in that include creative play with branches, stones, and water.

12:42:48 From Zach Pate to Everyone: Another item for safety - has it ever been discussed to provide lighting on some of the walking routes throughout Minto at night?

12:42:50 From Patricia Farrell, Parks and Natural Resources Planning Manager to Everyone: Yes Amy, the ability for adults or caregivers to exercise while others play or sit on a bench etc. is important.

12:42:54 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: Since schools and parks are often located nearby one another, wouldn’t Safe Routes to Schools accomplish the purpose of providing safe routes to parks?

12:43:58 From Nadene LeCheminant to Everyone: I also love the way Minto Brown is more fully developed in some areas, but with just dirt trails in other areas. It serves many needs and abilities.

12:45:08 From Patricia Farrell, Parks and Natural Resources Planning Manager to Everyone: Yes, Minto is a unique park. Lots of wildlife viewing too.

12:45:47 From Heather Cohen to Everyone: Doesn't All Trails app already do this?

12:46:53 From Daniel Roth (AIA Salem) to Everyone: GIS data, in my opinion, is often a pretty difficult interface. If this was able to be accessed more easily by public members, rather than app developers, it may be more exciting.

12:48:47 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: My unsere- seems like a labor and cost intensive project that may not have much community use payoff. If it's hard to navigate, especially on mobile, I don't see much use.

12:48:55 From Selina Barnes to Everyone: Unsure due to the cost to create the trail data apps...

12:49:12 From Heather Cohen to Everyone: Exactly, not worth the $ when these apps already exist

12:49:25 From Nadene LeCheminant to Everyone: Agree! There are better priorities.

12:50:18 From Zach Pate to Everyone: Agreed - Use the money not used towards GIS towards bathrooms and more parks

12:51:42 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: The City might need GIS based data for its own purposes in managing the assets represented by parks. It should be a standalone policy statement.
12:52:02 From Heather Cohen to Everyone: Is there a cost to this? I think it would be helpful to the argument. I’d rather spring for new trees than art, personally, but if it’s free, that's different
12:52:15 From Nadene LeCheminant to Everyone: I think this should only be done if the funds come from other areas.
12:52:25 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: Make that “should NOT be a standalone policy.”
12:52:49 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: I strongly support public art, and integrating it into all public spaces.
12:53:16 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: And interactive art in parks- fountains, climbing structures, etc
12:53:20 From Zach Pate to Everyone: If it supports local artists within our city, I can see it being beneficial - otherwise it’s very cliché and makes us just follow in the footsteps of other cities without much proven benefit
12:54:23 From Winston Adaline Stapleton null to Everyone: Public art is a matter of equity for me. Everyone should have access to beautiful art and spaces. I’m in favor!
12:54:41 From Patricia Farrell, Parks and Natural Resources Planning Manager to Everyone: Art can also be embedded into pavement or walls, not just sculpture.
12:55:23 From Lynn Takata to Everyone: Local artists are not prioritized by the City of Salem.
12:56:21 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: “Demonstration gardens” are a nice idea, but maybe not as a policy statement.
12:57:22 From Patricia Farrell, Parks and Natural Resources Planning Manager to Everyone: Maybe we could prioritize local artist in parks if that became a policy. We would need to coordinate with Salem Arts Commission.
12:58:25 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: Where is the Park Ranger pilot?
12:58:31 From Heather Cohen to Everyone: Assuming this would not be at every park, just the big ones, right?
13:02:08 From Daniel Roth (AIA Salem) to Everyone: There are many of these policy ideas (demonstration gardens, public art, park rangers) that are good ideas, but I fear they may divert resources away from the more important policy ideas such as connectivity, access, and safety. Giving people access to safe and diverse parks should be priority #1, and I hope that is reflected in the resources used.
13:04:44 From Nadene LeCheminant to Everyone: I agree with Daniel. Priorities should be green spaces, safety and equity. Other add-ons are nice, but shouldn’t jeopardize core priorities.
13:05:07 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: Agree with Daniel and Nadene
13:05:34 From Patricia Farrell, Parks and Natural Resources Planning Manager to Everyone: Thank you everyone for your feedback!
13:05:36 From David MacMillan to Everyone: You can’t talk about parks without talking about people who are experiencing homelessness and are camping in the city parks.
13:06:35 From Lynn Takata to Everyone: Would love to see creative play with natural materials being incorporated in addition to playgrounds.
13:07:44 From Nadene LeCheminant to Everyone: Thank you, Patricia and Rob and other parks staff, for your vision and efforts, and for your outreach.
13:08:22 From Amy Benedum to Everyone: While I have a long list of things I'd love to see in our parks, I think what we have is excellent and I appreciate the work of the Park Dept to keep our parks functioning and accessible. I enjoy Salem's parks almost every weekend.

13:08:41 From Lynn Takata to Everyone: Appreciate the conversation and opportunity to learn and give feedback. Thank you!

13:08:49 From David MacMillan to Everyone: Could you drop in the link to the new zoning map? Thank you!


13:09:57 From Shelby Guizar - Admin Analyst to Everyone: Subscribe to receive our emails and stay engaged! https://cityofsalem.us1.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=9c537ef0aeb7914e4fe4f6d5c&id=21d07b5555

13:10:09 From Daniel Roth (AIA Salem) to Everyone: Thank you all for the discussion!

13:10:52 From Victor Dodier to Everyone: At one time, the City had a large inventory of undeveloped parks. I image that it still does. How are those shown on the Our Salem maps?

13:11:18 From Rob Romanek, Parks Planner to Everyone: salemclimateactionplan.com

13:11:39 From Patricia Farrell, Parks and Natural Resources Planning Manager to Everyone: https://salemclimateactionplan.com/

13:12:31 From Heather Cohen to Everyone: Thank you.

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17:38:44 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: To participate in the live polling:
   • Text EUNICEKIM347 to 22333
   • Type pollev.com/eunicekim347 into phone/computer browser
   • Click this link: https://pollev.com/eunicekim347

17:41:00 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: https://pollev.com/eunicekim347

17:41:43 From segaza to Everyone: Is this working???

17:42:11 From segaza to Everyone: SO whatever chat applet I am using, it is working. SO I guess we are fine.

17:47:05 From geoffreyjames to Everyone: NEED YOUR HELP IN HOW TO PRESERVE VALUABLE OPEN SPACE. MAYBE A CONSERVATION LAND TRUST? ANY GRANTS AVAILABLE?

17:59:26 From segaza to Everyone: There is confusion in that 'equity' and 'equitable' are not synonyms. Though people today are trying to change the definition.

18:00:08 From segaza to Everyone: Microphone is not working. sorry. will trouble shoot offline

18:00:19 From segaza to Everyone: First time zoom user.

18:03:20 From segaza to Everyone: Could we see the questions before you cover the topic because ...

18:03:48 From segaza to Everyone: ...I need a context of what is being discussed.

18:04:24 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: For these questions, we are asking - which ones do you like. You can vote for any or all of them

18:04:25 From segaza to Everyone: I am using two screens and one has the ballot box screen and the other is the slide show.
18:04:36 From segaza to Everyone: They are not synched.
18:04:46 From segaza to Everyone: Yes
18:05:23 From segaza to Everyone: maybe next time. :-)
18:07:35 From geoffreyjames to Everyone: CONNECT ALL PARKS OPEN SPACES SCHOOLS ALL WITH A BIKE PED PATH
18:08:21 From segaza to Everyone: everyone is home and on the internet. :-)
18:13:22 From geoffreyjames to Everyone: I DO NOT LIKE THE ARTYS COMMISSIONS TASTES
18:13:46 From segaza to Everyone: modern art like at salem police is bad. art. Statues on River road in Keizer.
18:14:02 From segaza to Everyone: good in Keizer.
18:14:34 From segaza to Everyone: art still in the eye of the beholder, even if local.
18:16:54 From segaza to Everyone: Wish lists have costs.
18:18:55 From segaza to Everyone: notwithstanding "equity".
18:19:11 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: The full list of new ideas are here: https://www.cityofsalem.net/citydocuments/our-salem-policy%20meeting-packet-2021-03-english.pdf
18:20:01 From segaza to Everyone: reasonable
18:20:35 From geoffreyjames to Everyone: Arrt is good in Gresham and Enterprise
18:23:12 From segaza to Everyone: Eola Ridge Park needs enhancements for proper use. There are no playground equipment. It is our only park in this neighborhood. I believe the next closest park is behind Safeway or over the hill near Orchads heights, neither is really walkabe to.
18:24:24 From segaza to Everyone: I really do spell better than this chat. :-)
18:25:38 From Austin Ross to Everyone: :-) No worries. We appreciate the input. It's hard to type quickly and accurately!
18:30:52 From segaza to Everyone: Is Friday ONLY noon to 2? Others?
18:31:19 From segaza to Everyone: Same topics?
18:31:59 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: https://www.cityofsalem.net/Pages/our-salem-zoning-subcommittee.aspx
18:32:17 From Patricia Farrell, Parks and Natural Resources Planning Manager to Everyone: Climate Action Plan task force meeting June 23 9 am on city YouTube channel.
18:33:20 From Eunice Kim to Everyone: Here is the interactive map: https://salem.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=c37b29f111cf416eafa431bdaab029c2
18:33:46 From Rob Romanek, Parks Planner to Everyone: https://salemclimateactionplan.com/