



Board Members Present: Jon Christenson, Carel DeWinkel, Victor Dodier, Bill Holmstrom, Jesse Irizary, John Prohodsky, Jim Schepcke, Jeff Schumacher, Brian Sund, and Lorrie Walker (10). Roz Shirack was excused. There were city staff and guests as well. **See Exhibit A - Attendance Roster**

President Schumacher called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with a quorum present.

1. Introductions

President Schumacher welcomed everyone to the Zoom meeting. We skipped introductions.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 11, 2020 SCAN meeting were approved unanimously.

SCAN did not meeting in April 2020 due to the COVID-19 crisis.

3. City and Councilor Reports:

City Council. Councilors Anderson and Nordyke were not present. They are members of the City of Salem's Citizen Budget Committee. The Budget Committee meeting began at 6:00 p.m. on May 13th.

4. Announcements and Neighborhood Concerns:

- Brian Sund reported that the Awesome 3000 has been re-scheduled for August 1, 2020. We hope that the COVID-19 distancing and crowd size guidelines will have been lifted by then.

We returned to Announcements / Concerns at the end of the meeting. These announcements have been placed below for convenience.

- Lorrie Walker said that the Confederate Tribes of the Grand Ronde are doing archeological work at the old Leslie Middle School site. However, the work is confidential. If anything is found, it will not be reported in order to protect the site.
- Lorrie also reported that there might be as many as four speed bumps on Howard Street.
- Concerning homelessness, Lorrie said that the city's once-a-week garbage pickup at Wallace Marine Park has been going well. The Arches Project is working with people who are having trouble paying their rent. And, Arches is finding shelter for homeless who are at high risk from COVID-19.
- Brian announced that Friends of Pioneer Cemetery would be having a work parties at the cemetery on Saturday (9 am to noon) and Monday (9 am to noon). Distancing guidelines will be observed; bring your own tools and gloves. Please see the Friends of Pioneer Cemetery web page for more information: https://www.salempioneer cemetery.org/fop_events.php
- Jon Christenson asked Chris D'Arcy about the status of the mural application at 1201 Commercial Street S. Ans. Chris said that permission to proceed with the mural was denied. She went on to say that the Salem Public Arts Commission has started to meet by Zoom. They will begin to work on the revision to the public art code that was shelved by the COVID-19 crisis.

- Chris covered several other public art related matters. **Salem Library.** She reported that Amanda Wojick, a professor at U of O, has been selected for the Salem Public Library art commission. See the link for more information about her work: <https://www.amandawojick.com/>. **Police Facility.** Also, Blessing Hancock has been selected for the new police facility public art. See the link for more about her work: <http://www.blessinghancock.com/>. **SSHS Mural.** She said that the proposed mural for the Class of 2020 at SSHS would require a permit, if it were to be placed on the exterior of the building. An interior location for the mural is also under discussion.
- Lorrie reported that the Preserve Oregon cannabis shop at 1201 S. Commercial had a significant burglary recently. There have also been other burglaries in the area.

5. Our Salem Project – Eunice Kim:

Eunice provided a brief background on the “Our Salem” Project, Salem’s Comprehensive Plan Update. She focused her presentation on the draft guiding principles and the planning scenarios that have been developed for the project.

She covered the draft guiding principles briefly (see below taken from Spring 2020 survey).

- **Housing:** Provide a variety of housing types throughout Salem to accommodate the needs, abilities, and preferences of all residents, including ensuring an adequate supply of housing that is affordable and accessible for current and future generations.
- **Transportation:** Provide a complete, integrated transportation network that ensures safe and efficient travel by all modes and enhances connectivity for residents and businesses.
- **Economic Development and Employment:** Strengthen the economy of Salem, while promoting a diverse range of employment opportunities and improving access to jobs and job training.
- **Mixed Use Development:** Allow mixed-use development more broadly in Salem to improve access to jobs and services and to promote flexibility in the use of properties.
- **Parks and Recreation:** Develop, enhance, and expand parks and recreational facilities - and access to these amenities -to better serve residents of all ages, abilities, and cultures.
- **Natural Resources and Environment:** Preserve and protect natural areas and expand green spaces, while reducing negative impacts of growth on the environment.
- **Community Services:** Promote access to community spaces and services throughout Salem.
- **Culture and Identity:** Celebrate Salem’s diversity by highlighting local art, culture, and heritage.
- **Equity:** Use an equity lens when engaging the public in policy decisions and when assessing and implementing actions to ensure that all Salem residents have access to opportunities to advance their well-being and that the benefits and impacts of growth are shared.

The planning scenarios were developed to test various ideas about development patterns, she said. These range from Scenario A, which most closely resembles how Salem is developing today, to Scenario D, which reflects the development of neighborhood hubs and more mixed-use development. Each scenario reflects a number of development concepts rather than a single concept. Generally, the emphasis within the scenarios changes with mixed-use, multi-family and neighborhood hubs being given more prominence moving from Scenario B to Scenario D. She mentioned that Scenario D envisions development of an extension to Riverfront Park northward into what is now an under-used industrial area.

The guiding principles survey is available at: <https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/5504437/Our-Salem>
The scenarios survey is available at: <https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/5558575/Our-Salem-Scenario-Survey>

In terms of next steps, Eunice said that informal work with City Council members would begin as early as the week of May 18.

Questions:

Victor Dodier asked about the under-used industrial area located near the State Fairgrounds, the State Fairgrounds themselves, and the area around the State Hospital. **Ans.** Eunice said that they haven't heard much about the industrial area. The State Fairgrounds themselves are in the neighborhood association plan.

Jim Scheppke expressed concern about GHG emissions and said that he was surprised that there was not much reduction in GHG emissions in Scenario D. **Ans.** There is a reduction in emissions going from Scenario A to D. The scenarios represents changes in land use patterns alone. And, the GHG reports are from the transportation models that are not sensitive to land use changes alone.

Carel DeWinkel asked whether the scenarios assume a third bridge. **Ans.** The scenarios do not assume a third bridge.

John Prohodsky observed that the scenarios are based on assumptions that are not changing. How flexible is the vision? **Ans.** The planners are using the indicators to gain an understanding of how things might change. Will the assumptions, e.g., driving, be listed since making the assumptions transparent might be helpful to understanding what the models are telling us? **Ans.** *(I did not capture the response.)*

6. **City's Urban Forester – Milan Davis**

Milan Davis is Salem's new forester. He reviewed his background briefly. He was most recently working for Washington, D.C. as a team leader in an urban forestry program with many teams. He was working to build the city's forestry program's GIS database. He and his wife have wanted to move to the Pacific Northwest and he had been looking for a job in the NW for two years before landing the position in Salem.

He said that Salem is at about 5% in terms of getting its tree inventory into a GIS database. Most of the city's effort now is dealing with problems. Sidewalks and trees are always a problem. He would like to have more money to do plantings, he said. The City of Salem's urban forestry program has 10 staff.

Questions:

Ellen Stevens asked, what trees are good street trees? **Ans.** Milan said that about 30% of Salem's street trees are maples. He would like to move away from maples. Evergreen oaks, black gum, and male ginkgo trees are tolerant of heat island effects and drought tolerant. He is looking for solutions to the problem of trees and concrete; they don't do well together.

Ellen asked Milan to describe what the city crews had done with the red oak in Bush's Pasture Park. **Ans.** Milan described the system of bolts and cabling that have been put in place to hold the tree together. It should be sufficient to keep the tree for 20-30 years with periodic maintenance, he said.

John asked what was being done to prevent street trees from shading solar panels. **Ans.** Nothing directly, Milan said. But, he wants to focus on planting medium sized trees in the future that would help with the problem.

6. Committee Reports and Chair's Report

- A. **Historic Preservation, Parks and Gardens Report.** Jon submitted his committee report by email. See Exhibit B.
- B. **Transportation Committee.** Victor submitted his committee report by email. It is attached as Exhibit C.

He briefly discussed the Sidewalk Repairs report (attached to the committee report). He moved that:

SCAN submit the attached broken and deteriorated sidewalks segments to City of Salem Public Works Department for repair or replacement.

Jim seconded the motion. During discussion, Jesse Irizary mentioned another bad section on Rural near the donut shop where tree roots had broken the sidewalk. Victor noted that there might be another edition of this request.

The motion passed unanimously.

Jon provided some background on the special pattern used when the City replaced sidewalks in the Gaiety Hill Historic District.

- C. **Land Use Committee.** Roz is a member of the City's Budget Committee. She was attending the Budget Committee meeting. There was no committee report.
- D. **President's Report.** Jeff commented that he didn't have anything special planned for the June annual meeting. The annual meeting will be a Zoom meeting.

Kimberli Fitzgerald was suggested as a speaker; also a report on the Bush Park Master Plan.

During discussion, it was decided that a presentation on the Bush Park Master Plan would not be timely since work is just getting underway. Also, it is important from the perspective of the SCAN Bylaws to label the June meeting as the annual meeting without regard to the meeting being a Zoom meeting. We can do a special meeting later in the year when it is again possible to have a large in-person meeting.

Jeff reminded us to keep the recruitment of new board members in mind. We have 15 board members, leaving at least 5 vacant positions to achieve a full complement of 20 board members.

7. Adjournment

Jeff adjourned the meeting about 8:10 pm.

Submitted by Victor Dodier, SCAN Secretary

Exhibit A

Attendees for May 13, 2020 SCAN Zoom Meeting

Board Member	Email Address	Present?	Board Member	Email Address	Present?
Christenson, Jon	edscannewsletter@gmail.com	X	Rubel, Ron	ronrubel@comcast.net	
DeWinkel, Carel	cdewinkel@comcast.net	X	Scheppke, Jim	jscheppke@comcast.net	X
Dodier, Victor	vdodier@teleport.com	X	Schumacher, Jeff	jeff.schumacher@gmail.com	X
Edwards, Delmy	ride2myhouse@yahoo.com		Shirack, Roz	rozshirack7@gmail.com	Exc.
Holmstrom, Bill	williamh@gmail.com	X	Sund, Brian	sund60@icloud.com	X
Irizary, Jesse	irizaryj@gmail.com	X	Walker, Lorrie	dakotalor@msn.com	X
Judy, Joyce	pacajoyce@sbcglobal.net		Wigg, Mark	mark_wigg@hotmail.com	
Prohodsky, John	johnmpro@gmail.com	X			

Other Attendees
Eunice Kim
Milan Davis
Ellen Stevenson
Mary Ann Spradling
Pat & Mary Strobel
Chris D’Arcy
Gail & Calvin Steck
And, additional attendees whose names I didn’t record

Exhibit B

HISTORIC PRESERVATION, PARKS & GARDENS - CLMP UPDATE - May 2020 - BUSH'SASTURE PARK - DEEPWOOD

UPDATE ON THE Cultural Landscape Management Plan (CLMP)

On April 28, 2020, the City of Salem approved a consultant work program to assist the City in development of a master plan submitted by **GREENWORKS, P.C.** The contract is not to exceed \$ 225,840. Oversight and contract officer for the City of Salem will be Patricia Farrell, RLA, Manager of Parks Planning & Natural Resources.

Copies of the work program are currently being reviewed by the SCAN Historic Preservation, Parks & Gardens Committee. Copies also were sent to the full SCAN Board on May 6, 2020, by Jeff Schumacher, SCAN President. Initial feedback from HPPG committee members is positive.

The standards and scope of services are based on the *U. S. Secretary of Interior Standards for Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Treatment of Cultural Landscapes*, U. S. National Park Service.

A **Cultural Landscape Management Plan (CLMP)** is the terminology that being use for the end product -- park master plan -- for Bush's Pasture Park and Deepwood.

The consultant team leader for **Greenworks, P. C.**, that will be working with City of Salem, is **Paul Agrimis**, a registered landscape architect and civil engineer. His engineering education is from University of Connecticut; and Masters of Landscape Architecture from the University of Washington.

The City of Salem Project Manager overseeing the consultant work and the contract is **Patricia Farrell, RLA, Parks & Natural Resources Planning Manager.**

Agrimis's philosophical approach and work has been influenced by Ian McHarg (see Design with Nature; also To Heal the Earth, by Ian L. McHarg): design based on natural process.

Mr. Agrimis has extensive experience in creating master plans for parks. His work includes with the Washington State Parks Scenic Rivers Program, Skykomish Scenic River Conservation Plan; Cully Park in Portland; the Riley Ranch Natural Reserve in Bend. He is a founder of Vigil-Agrimis (1999-2013) and Agrimis Planning & Design. Vigil-Agrimis assisted the City in developing a master plan for Minto-Brown. His community service includes 7 years as the Vice President of The Wetlands Conservancy (OR); and recently, served as chair of the Portland (OR) Parks & Recreation Board.

Subcontractors will be **Willamette Cultural Resources Associates** (Willamette CRA), and **MIG**.

Willamette CRA will address the ethnographic and cultural context. Of particular focus will be on the Oregon White Oak (*Quercus garryana*) savanna, acorns, camas (*Camassia*) and pyroculture used to manage the landscape; and to assist the conferral work and research with the Native American community.

MIG will focus on cultural landscape development since Euro-American settlement and fieldwork (mapping, photography, field surveys, GIS).

MIG will also provide support to Greenworks for three Open Houses.

Assessments will be made on features and opportunities for enhancement of cultural and historical significance, and natural and botanical resources.

The public engagement plan has 7 elements.

#6 includes **a presentation by Green Works team to the South Central Association of Neighbors (SCAN).**

There will be three weekday evening 2-hour Open Houses for the public. The second Open House will present a draft Cultural Landscape Management Plan or CLMP to the public. The third Open House will present the Final Draft.

"The schedule is in flux due to COVID-19. A revised schedule will be prepared as one of the initial steps by the consultant" (P. Farrell, City of Salem, Parks & Natural Resources Planning Manager).

More information when the revised schedule and adjustments to the work plan are available.

The original work plan anticipated completion in early Spring 2021. Without major disruptions, it may be now June 2021 or sometime in the summer 2021. Reviews and approvals will be needed from the **Salem Parks & Recreation Advisory Board (SPRAB)** and the **City of Salem Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC)**. Also input from the SHPO. Final approval for the Cultural Landscape Management Plan may be with City Council.

Jon Christenson
SCAN HPPG Committee chair
5-12-2020

Exhibit C

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT FOR MAY 13 SCAN BOARD MEETING

The SCAN Transportation Committee met on April 22nd at 5:00 pm via Zoom. Attending: Victor Dodier, Jeff Schumacher, Jim Scheppke, Lorrie Walker, John Prohodsky, Bill Holmstrom, and James and Christine Heyen. Jim Scheppke hosted the Zoom meeting.

South Salem High School Traffic Calming

We discussed what the SSHS neighbors have been doing since the February 29th meeting. James reported that he'd met with Gary Obery to discuss traffic calming concepts. These are sketches that haven't been refined ... life, the COVID-19 crisis intervened. They looked at all sides of the school. The ideas ranged from curb extensions, raised crosswalks to "break-away" pedestrian crossing signs. The emphasis is on improving pedestrian safety.

Lorrie reported that the neighbors involved in the appeal had just got into the traffic impact study for the SSHS project. They've also been talking with the School District about light intrusion into nearby homes. She said that there might be agreement soon.

She said the Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde are involved in doing archeology study at the site. They will also help with native plantings.

Concerning Howard Street, it may be narrowed gradually, creating a funnel, so that the street doesn't narrow all at once.

John asked if there were any ideas concerning areas to drop off / pick up students. Not really. I said that Mark Wigg had some ideas along those lines. I provided James with Mark's contact info by email later.

Christine asked what we, SCAN, needed in terms of information about what the SSHS neighbors develop. She said that she was asking because the discussion had been between neighbors and the school district. I responded that we really do not need anything beyond information, unless the neighbors wanted SCAN to endorse something.

Sidewalk Repair Request

I discussed broken and deteriorated sidewalk on Saginaw Street. I had distributed an MS Word document to the Committee members prior to the Zoom meeting.

I've revised the document for the May 12th SCAN meeting. See *SidewalkRepair.pdf*.

I move that:

SCAN submit the attached broken and deteriorated sidewalks segments to City of Salem Public Works Department for repair or replacement.

Winter-Yew-Berry-Electric-Summer Family Friendly Bikeway

This is the "family friendly" bikeway on the east side of Bush's Pasture Park. Gary Obery and I rode the route to Clark Creek Park on Vista Avenue.

Designation of this route may not involve much expense to the City beyond that of installing signs. See *Berry-Summer Bikeway.pdf*. This document is a work in progress. It is a partial report on the route, covering it from Wilson Park in downtown, through Bush's Pasture Park, as far as the intersection of Berry St. and Electric St.

I have additional photos and will update the report for the May 20th Transportation Committee meeting.

Victor Dodier
Chair, SCAN Transportation Committee

Sidewalk Repair

Background

The City of Salem maintains sidewalks built before 1992, until such time that the sidewalk has been certified as meeting acceptable standards of the City. When the sidewalk is certified, responsibility transitions to the owner of the adjacent property. In addition, the City repairs sidewalks when a City-owned tree has caused damage to the sidewalk.

Property owners and, I assume neighbors, may report sidewalks in need of repair to Public Works.

Last year, the City replaced short segments of the sidewalk on Saginaw St. at Leffelle St. These segments were badly deteriorated.

Request

There were other badly deteriorated segments in the 1300 block of Saginaw. They were marked with orange paint last year as if they were slated for replacement. But, they were not replaced. In addition, there are locations where tree roots have broken the sidewalk and created tripping hazards.

SCAN should request that the City repair or replace these segments, and others along Saginaw that a more thorough inspection might identify, during the 2020 summer construction season. Provided, of course, that there is a 2020 summer construction season.

Details

This picture is at approximately 1630 Saginaw St. S.



The pictures below are on the east side of Saginaw in the 1300 block just past the intersection of Saginaw and Myers. The pictures do not show the unevenness of the broken surface.



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This photo looks south to show this 2-3 inch break in the sidewalk.



There are other segments of broken sidewalk.

This example is at a driveway farther along, but still in the 1300 block.



This is another 2-3 inch break, again looking south. This is in the 1200 block, north of the intersection with Wilbur.