

# MEETING MINUTES

TUMWATER PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

August 21, 2025



**CONVENE:** 8:00am

**PRESENT:** Chair Eileen Swarthout and Councilmembers Micheal Althausen and Angela Jefferson

Staff: Transportation and Engineering Director Brandon Hicks, Engineering Services Manager Bill Lindauer, Engineer III Ryan Blaser, Associate Planner Dana Bower, City Administrator, Lisa Parks, and Department Assistant Alyssa McClain

Others: Fehr & Peers - Consultant Daniel Dye

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Councilmember Althausen moved, seconded by Councilmember Jefferson, to approve the minutes of June 5, 2025, and July 17, 2025, as presented. A voice vote approved the motion.

## **2025 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE, TRANSPORTATION PLAN:**

Planner Bowers presented the 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update for Transportation which is a 20-year plan and introduced Consultant Dye with Fehr & Peers who shared his analysis and feedback on the plan. Consultant Dye's provided feedback and analysis on the following topics:

- Biking, Walking and Rolling Plan
- Public Outreach
- Goals and Policies
- Future Transportation Network
- 20-year Project list
- Funding and Next Steps

Councilmember Jefferson requested this item be added to a future Council Work Session. Administrator Parks said that it has

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already been fully scheduled for a future Council Work Session, and/or Council Meeting, before it is adopted as an Ordinance.

**AUTHORITY TO  
SOLICIT BIDS ON THE  
2<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE  
PEDESTRIAN AND  
BICYCLE  
IMPROVEMENTS  
PROJECT:**

Engineer Blaser said that the project will construct a non-circular roundabout at 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to increase pedestrian and bicycle safety and improve traffic flow. Councilmember Swarthout asked if we have control over the project timeline, particularly when it comes to planning around the school year. Engineer Blaser said we do and we have been coordinating with the Tumwater School District.

**MOTION:**

**Councilmember Swarthout moved, seconded by Councilmember Jefferson to (1) authorize the solicitation of bids for the 2nd Avenue Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements project, (2) place the Public Works Contract with the lowest responsible bidder on a future City Council meeting with a recommendation to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign (3) authorize road closures and detours as required for the duration of the project; and (4) authorize night work adjacent to residentially zoned properties when necessary to reduce impacts to the public and avoid impact to critical public services. A voice vote approved the motion unanimously.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**With there being no further business, Chair Swarthout adjourned the meeting at 8:54 a.m.**

Prepared by Kelly Quiroz, Administrative Assistant