

Board Members Present: Jon Christenson, Christine Chute, Carel DeWinkel, Victor Dodier, Bill Holmstrom, Jesse Irizary, John Prohodsky, Ron Ruebel, Jim Schepcke, Jeff Schumacher, Roz Shirack, Brian Sund, Carol Snyder, Lorrie Walker and Mark Wigg (15). Guests were present as well. **See Exhibit A - Attendance Roster**

President Lorrie Walker called the Zoom meeting to order about 6:30 pm with a quorum present.

1. Approval of Minutes

Jim Schepcke moved approval of the May 12, 2021 SCAN minutes. Roz Shirack seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

2. City Reports

Lt. Jason Van Meter announced that he is leaving the City of Salem police force to take a position in Black Butte. Lorrie thanked him, especially for his work with the homeless and with the neighborhood.

Councilor Nordyke announced that the City librarian, Sarah Strahl, will be her guest on her 5:30 Zoom update. Strahl will talk about improvements to the library. Nordyke hopes to get Milan Davis, the City's Urban Forester, on her Zoom soon.

Councilor Nordyke used a PowerPoint presentation to give her city updates. It touched on the **HOME Youth and Resource Center**, a safe place for houseless / at-risk kids to do homework, learn life skills, and job training. The Center is looking for donations. There is \$40,000 remaining in the City's **Utility Relief** fund for those who are behind on their city water bills. **Zoning** continues to be a hot topic. The next meeting of the *Our Salem* zoning subcommittee is June 21. City Council will hold a public hearing on the **2021-22 budget** on June 14. The June 14th hearing is the latest in a series of meetings on the budget. The concept of a mobile response unit, similar to Eugene's CAHOOTS, is moving forward within the budget. **Re-opening** could come as early as June 21st. We may reach the COVID vaccination level of 70% level of set by Governor Brown for re-opening soon. City of Salem is beginning to offer more in-person services. The City of Salem received \$32 million in federal **American Recovery Plan Funds**. A good amount of the money will be used to address houselessness. \$4.4 million will go to the Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency to purchase an old hotel to be used as a new indoor / outdoor shelter site.

The **Pioneer Cemetery path** is dead for now. City staff determined that it does not own the alley right-of-way that would make it possible. This is a disappointing outcome, but the question is answered.

Mark Wigg asked about condemnation. **Resp.** There is no interest in using condemnation to implement the path among City Councilors.

3. Christy Perry, Superintendent, Salem-Keizer Public Schools

Brian Sund introduced Christy Perry. He highlighted her commitment to equity, proactive response to the COVID pandemic, work with other community organizations, and her efforts to lift up others within the SKPS community.

Perry touched on her background in Reedsport. She wanted to be a teacher from her days in kindergarten.

She used a PowerPoint presentation. SKPS is a \$1.1 billion enterprise. SKPS has 40,000 students and the student body is majority minority. 70% of students are economically disadvantaged. 1,191 are houseless.

The graduation rate was 81% in 2019-20. The dropout rate is low, and it is going down. The graduation rate from the Career Tech Education program is 90%.

SKPS delivered more than 11,700 meals daily during the COVID and gave out 30,000 Chrome books to facilitate on-line learning during COVID.

Perry noted that SKPS staff does not reflect the demographics of its students. Currently, SKPS staff is 70% white. SKPS is working to change staff demographics using a grow-your-own approach. But it is a slow process and requires persistent development.

She had several examples of leadership development. There is no freshman honors program. It was determined that students who were not placed in freshman honors never make it into advanced placement programs.

SKPS is building an inclusive environment that empowers both students and staff to thrive. For instance, SKPS is not cooperating with INS and not giving up information on students. Also, Pride Month. SKPS has restructured its health programs to become its own health authority.

Going forward from COVID, SKPS is set to return to in-person learning 5 days per week in 2021-22. The EDGE on-line program will continue. During this past year, there were 7,000 in the EDGE program. They are expecting about 2,000 this year. Parent-teacher conferences went on-line during the pandemic; they will continue as an option.

Switching to the Bond program, Perry noted that the bond market was very favorable. SKPS was able to finance more debt at the approved levy rate. This allowed some options. Building out Rose Auditorium to full 900 seat size and finishing the second SSSS gym are examples.

Summer 2021 will be the busiest construction year. The overall construction program financed by the bonds is scheduled to wrap up in 2024.

She showed slides of SSSS's construction to date, highlighting Rose Auditorium, the food court, and courtyard w/ commemorative stones. She noted that the mobile units will be removed from the track infield and the infield restored soon. SSSS is set to open fully this fall.

In closing, Perry noted that there are tours of the CTE Center. The CTE Center has 10 programs. At full capacity, there will be 1,000 students in CTE programs.

There was time for Brian Sund to ask a question that had been submitted from the chat. How is SKPS increasing student engagement and exposing students to different professions? **Resp.** The CTE program tries to tie core academics to what kids are learning in practice. It provides hands-on career exploration. Kids have opportunities to explore career paths. And practical experience in how to work, showing up, etc.

Brian asked if kids could switch between EDGE (on-line) and in-person. **Resp.** Yes, though there is a staffing issue. EDGE is staffed to handle 1,900; there are currently 1,700 enrolled. So, there is some flexibility.

4. Committee Reports & Chair's Report

Land Use. Roz distributed the Land Use committee report by email. See Exhibit B.

Historic Preservation, Parks and Gardens. Jon Christenson emailed the HPPG committee report to Board members prior to the meeting (See Exhibit C). He noted that the Salem Parks Foundation had granted the requested \$1,100 for the repair the focal-point sundial in the Mae Tartar Old Rose Collection.

Transportation. Victor Dodier emailed the May 19 Transportation Committee report to the Board. It is attached as Exhibit D. He announced that the next meeting will be June 16th at 5:00 PM by Zoom.

Chair's Report. There was no Chair's report.

5. Discussion & Nominations of Board Members

Jesse Irizary indicated that he would leave the SCAN Board. Other current SCAN Board members whose two-year terms were ending indicated a willingness to continue to serve.

Roz nominated the board members whose terms were expiring for another term. Jim Schepcke seconded the motion. He read the list of board members:

- Lorrie Walker
- Jon Christenson
- Carel DeWinkel
- Delmy Edwards
- Jesse Irizary
- Roz Shirak
- Mark Wigg

There were no other nominees for the SCAN Board. Nominations were closed.

The motion passed unanimously.

There was a brief discussion of the return to in-person meetings in September. Will SSHS library (or other meeting room) be available? Don't know. Brian will work with the SSHS principal. Victor mentioned other possible meeting locations, Pringle Community Hall and Salem Library meeting rooms. Other possibilities (Calvary Baptist, St. Paul's Episcopal and Church of Christ, Scientist) were mentioned as well.

6. Adjournment

Lori adjourned the meeting about 8:30 pm.

Submitted by Victor Dodier, SCAN Secretary

Exhibit A

Attendees for June 9, 2021 SCAN Zoom Meeting

Board Member	Email Address	Present?	Board Member	Email Address	Present?
Christenson, Jon	edscannewsletter@gmail.com	X	Rubel, Ron	ronrubel@comcast.net	X
Chute, Christine	cachute@gmail.com	X	Scheppke, Jim	jscheppke@comcast.net	X
DeWinkel, Carel	cdewinkel@comcast.net	X	Schumacher, Jeff	jeff.schumacher@gmail.com	X
Dodier, Victor	vjdodier@teleport.com	X	Shirack, Roz	rozshirack7@gmail.com	X
Edwards, Delmy	ride2myhouse@yahoo.com		Sund, Brian	sund60@icloud.com	X
Holmstrom, Bill	williamh@gmail.com	X	Snyder, Carol	snyder2858@comcast.net	X
Irizary, Jesse	irizaryj@gmail.com	X	Walker, Lorrie	dakotalor@msn.com	X
Prohodsky, John	johnmpro@gmail.com	X	Wigg, Mark	mark_wigg@hotmail.com	X

Other Attendees
Councilor Vanessa Nordyke
Ellen Stevens
Donna Irizary
Christy Perry, Salem-Keizer Public Schools
Sylvia McDaniel, Salem-Keizer Public Schools
Gary McCuen
Carlene Benson
Lynn Takata
Ken Houghton
Matt McGill
Pamela W.
Monica McQueen

Exhibit B

SCAN Land Use Committee Report For June 9, 2021

The SCAN Land Use Committee continues to follow the Our Salem project to update the comprehensive plan. The next Committee meeting is June 17 and will include a discussion with Eunice Kim about using the Mixed Use-II zone along Commercial St SE, as recommended by the SCAN Board at its May 12 meeting.

Activities have included following the weekly Our Salem Policy meetings held by staff; the Zoning Subcommittee, which next meets June 9; and the Planning Commission's work session on revising the zoning code to allow Middle Housing, as required by HB 2001.

Roz Shirack, Chair

Exhibit C

HISTORIC PRESERVATION, PARKS & GARDENS -- Updates -- June 2021

I. DESIGN REVIEW CASE No. HIS21-06 for 630 Leffelle St SE

630 Leffelle Street SE: this is a beautiful Colonial-style residence, in the 2-storey tradition, frontal windows symmetrically arranged and vertically aligned in the main structure with the historically styled additional window on the second floor balancing the rhythm of the front door beneath it. Proposed is the installation of solar panels.

HPPG Findings: the proposed panels would be rear facing and non-reflective, not disruptive or intrusive to the frontal appearance of the residence, and appear to be consistent with SRC Chapter, 230, subsection 230.030 (e).

II. HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION 2021 DESIGN AWARD TO MISSION STREET PARKS CONSERVANCY (MSPC) FOR REHAB/RESTORATION OF THE MAE TARTAR ROSE GARDEN/SUNDIAL/PATHS/BENCHES

On May 27, the Historic Landmarks Commission honored the MSPC with the 2021 Historic Preservation Award for Outstanding Interpretation/Preservation of a Cultural Landscape. Congratulations to the Conservancy, to Michael Slater, Gretchen Carnaby, CBTwo architect Russell Schutte, and Parks Operations Manager Jennifer Kellar and Parks Field Staff Jacob Snell and Brian Smith.

III. SCAN 2021 APPLICATION TO THE SALEM PARKS FOUNDATION FOR \$ 1100 TO ASSIST

Filed May 30, 2021. Follows Board MOTION ca May 20 to apply. Neighbors helping neighbors: approximately 50% of the volunteers with MSPC are SCAN residents or former SCAN residents.

If awarded, the \$ 1,100 will be assigned to construction and the services of a skilled mason. MSPC is continuing to fundraise.

Volunteers will be assisting removal of the existing roses in late August/early September 2021 prior to the start of construction/rehab, putting in new soil, and later planting new roses in March 2022. Individuals or community groups interested in assisting, please contact Christine Chute by email at -- info@missionstreetsparks.org

Jon Christenson

Exhibit D

May 19 SCAN Transportation Committee

Zoom Meeting

Attendance: Victor Dodier, Jim Schepke, Carel DeWinkel, Jon Christenson and Lorrie Walker

Agenda:

- Proposed SCAN motion concerning bikeway on High Street
- Photo Red Light / Photo Radar - Salem's 2021 report
- Other items suggested by committee members

Motion Concerning High Street

We continued the discussion of High Street and a motion that the Committee might bring to the July SCAN Board meeting.

Proposed Committee Motion: SCAN requests the City of Salem to reconsider designation of High Street as a Collector and to consider designation of a bicycle commuter route on High Street from Leslie St. SE to McGilchrist St. SE.

Jim asked, why start at Leslie Street? The rationale was that Leslie is at the southern foot of the High Street hill and a bike route could connect to the Tier I bikeway on Church Street with one block on Leslie. Why not Trade? Trade Street is the south-going bikeway. Ok.

Where would the southern end be? McGilchrist, in front of McKinley School.

We also discussed traffic speed on High. Jim advocated for a 20 mph speed and that speed humps be put in. Victor pointed out that the speed for residential streets is 25 mph, except in school zones where it is 20 mph. It may be better to advocate for a change in designation from a collector street to a residential street and deal with traffic speed later when there are more bicycles on the street.

Jon raised the point of connection to the linear park on the north bank of Pringle Creek. It supports the biking option to all the activities, esp. at the Waterfront Park.

Revised Motion: SCAN requests the City of Salem to reconsider designation of High Street, designating High Street as a residential street, and to consider designation of a bicycle commuter route on High Street from Trade St. to McGilchrist St. SE.

We need to cite rationale for the designation of High Street to be changed ... safety, lots of pets, pedestrians crossing into Bush Park. High Street is narrow and may not meet the width standards for a collector. Further, there is on-street parking.

Jon asked what the standard is school zones. What are the school zones around SSHS? Also, is High Street designated as a collector from McGilchrist south to Vista?

Other Matters.

Traffic Speeds around SSHS. The new parking lot will change the traffic pattern around SSHS. Jon suggested that the speed around designated on the residential streets around be reduced to 20 mph.

Lorrie commented that speed humps on Howard Street are not high enough to reduce speed. She suggested that we take a drive over them. While the height may not be sufficient, it may be city code.

Photo Red-Light. Lorrie had looked at the City's report to see where cameras are located. Some people she knows have been ticketed and it is an expensive ticket. It might be worth it for fewer crashes and lower speeds. Victor commented that Salem PD may see "success" in terms of citations written, but "success" should be considered in terms of fewer crashes at intersections and lower speeds.

Lorrie wondered if heavy trucks ... tractor-trailer rigs ... are ticketed. They frequently go thru the red light at 25th and Mission. Victor commented that the City report does not answer that question.

Speeds on Liberty. Lorrie commented that the speeds on Liberty are too fast and are dangerous. She asked what traffic speeds are. Victor reported that the City uses hose counters to record both traffic counts and traffic speed. Unfortunately, hose counters do not capture traffic speed for three-lane streets. Victor will put in another request to Salem PD for use of the loaner radar gun.