

ASHLAND TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

May 21, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: 4:00 PM

Members Present: Linda Peterson Adams, Dave Kahn, Thor Morris, Dylan Dahle, Mark Brouillard, Joe Graf, Dave Richards, Nick David, Corinne Vieville

Staff Present: Scott Fleury, Marlena Correnti

Council Liaison Present: Eric Hansen

Council Liaison Absent: Gina DuQuenne

Guests: Edem Gomez – RVTID, Laura Marshall, Weston Overland, Mardi Mastain, Carey Mastain, Robin Donaldson, Connie Lynn, [Mandi], Christian Langenstein, David Arron, Gary German, Michael Allen, Julie Tidus, Michele Warrence-Schreiber, [Neil and Lorena], [Susan], [Tanya's iPad]

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Previous month TAC Agenda & Minutes – [April 16, 2026](#)
- May 26, 2026: Council and Parks and Rec will meet to discuss median redesign
 - Request for public comment on City website

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of April 16, 2026 Minutes - CORRECTIONS:
 - Site versus *sight*
 - Announcement misspelled

Vieville moves to approve Minutes with aforementioned corrections. Brouillard seconds. Approved.

PUBLIC FORUM

- Thank you for your comments! Reminder: There are many ways to share your comment or concern with TAC:
 - Submit [TAC contact form](#) on the City website
 - Use [SeeClickFix](#)
 - Attend monthly meetings via Zoom – Public attendees can indicate their intent to speak with a virtual “hand raise” which will be visible to the Chair and/or meeting host.
 - TAC meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month from 4:00 – 6:00 PM PST

REPORTS FROM OTHER CITY COMMITTEES

- Council – Hansen:
 - TrAC-proposed Dormouse Trail in Lithia Park has moved forward to Parks Commission; robust 30-day public engagement expected
 - Wayfinding sign designs have been approved
 - Community Center and Pioneer Hall opening to the public soon
 - North Mountain Street Loan approved
 - Wastewater pipe rehabilitation approved; epoxy liners emit strawberry scent
- Parks – Fleury:
 - Winburn Way and ADA Project: Parks intends to move forward with ADA parking spaces for access to the Japanese Garden
 - Brouillard: *Up at Ferry Pond, is head-in only parking enforced?*

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- Fleury to consult with Officer Moore
- Planning Commission – Brouillard: discussion of paid private parking for public access will go to Council
- RVTD – Gomez: Thank you, Ashland, for coming out to support RVTD!
 - Levy passed, money will be distributed Fall 2026; RVTD to maintain existing services and add more
 - Kahn & Peterson Adams request RVTD reinstate Mike Fergier – Transportation Option Coordinator
 - May is National Bike Month

NEW BUSINESS

- Granite Street Traffic Calming
 - Staff Report – Fleury: Per TSP, Granite Street is a neighborhood collector roadway.
 - TAC packet contains ADTs, speed table, cross-section design from the street design standards
 - Currently, the only traffic control along this corridor is the two-way stop at the intersection of Nutley and Granite; all the feeder streets have Stop or Yield signs as they access into Granite Street
 - Public Testimony:
 - M. Mastain: expressed interest in cooperative approach and requested timeline for potential solutions; mentions that speed study [with speed indicator] could alter drivers' behavior. 15 mph speed limit and a bus stop sign on High Street desired, among crosswalks at each staircase and other mentions in Traffic Calming application
 - C. Mastain: Granite is an access street, not just a residential street; crosswalks desired for pedestrian safety
 - Lynn: Granite is a crucial wildlife corridor; crosswalks would help reduce speed and increase driver awareness
 - Donaldson: requests crosswalks at all Granite Street staircases; cites that only Alice Peil Walkway has signage
 - [Mandi]: remarks that young children and elderly folks utilize Alice Peil Walkway as an access point to the plaza, Lithia Park, and the Artisan Market
 - Tidus: Granite Street is a major pedestrian corridor; witnessed Near Misses, asking for signage, striping, and greater visibility
 - [Tanya's iPad]: Granite Street has residents of all ages; desires crosswalk at school bus stop
 - Arron: requests crosswalks and a 4-way stop at the intersection of Granite and Nutley
 - Questions for Public Works Director:
 - Brouillard: *What is the degree of the slope?*
 - Fleury: Will confirm, but believes 12-14%
 - Brouillard: *If a crosswalk goes in, how much delineation or separation is required?*
 - Fleury: If parking was eliminated, you could get down to 20 feet. If you need parking on one side, you're at 27 feet. 29 feet is the separation on the upper section currently, so it could become 24 feet with a 5-foot sidewalk, hypothetically.
 - Graf: *Could Granite Street become a Bicycle Boulevard?*
 - Fleury: Based on ADT and posted speed limit, yes, Granite Street does qualify for Bicycle Boulevard status under ORS.
 - Bicycle Boulevard: City has statutory ability to designate the speed as 20 mph, with sharrows, and Share the Road signs for this conversion

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- Bicycle Boulevards exist on Faith Ave, Orange Ave, and B Street currently; this is a relatively quick structural change that could occur outside of engineering analysis for other applications.
- Peterson Adams: *How would water treatment plant (WTP) construction impact Granite Street?*
 - Fleury: WTP construction on the physical site will not begin until early 2027. Work is expected to last approximately 30 months, and driving activity will be variable. Early on, there will be considerable heavy truck traffic on Granite Street.
- Peterson Adams: *What is TAC's purview here?*
 - Fleury: new crosswalks would fall under the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) guidance; mid-block crosswalks are subject to an engineering study to formally validate the safety of those changes, which includes sight distance and lighting among additional analysis. New crosswalks would have to be made ADA-compliant which is quite expensive, and would require the removal of existing parking spaces (at minimum four parking spaces eliminated).
 - With respect to traffic control (going from a two-way to a four-way stop), City must validate the warrants in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), which also requires an engineering study.
 - Brouillard: Ashland Municipal Code (AMC) prohibits this change as it violates Resolution 1990-03: Adopting Standards for Stop Signs, Yield Signs & No Parking Zones. Changing the two-way stop to a four-way stop at Granite and Nutley would require changing the existing AMC adopted standards.
- David: *What is the prescriptive speed for the width of [Granite Street] and its classification?*
 - Fleury: All residential roadways, unless otherwise designated, are 25 mph statutory speed.
- David: *Clarifying, the latest speed survey data was not correlated with the speed sign that was previously up on Granite. Is that correct?*
 - Fleury: Correct. The speed sign (radar trailer) was out in Fall 2025. The tube counters (which run across the roadway and are much less visible to drivers) collected the speed data that is reflected in the TAC packet.
- Dahle: *Is parking allowed on East of West side of Granite Street currently?*
 - Fleury: The lower section of Granite Street allows parking on the east side. Upper section allows parking on both sides of street.
- Dahle: *Does TAC have the power to designate Granite Street as a Bicycle Boulevard without Council approval?*
 - Fleury: Yes. The Public Works Director, as designee for roadway system management, has authority to make traffic calming changes based on the ORS.
- David: *Are there any significant hurdles anticipated in changing Granite Street to a Bicycle Boulevard? What cost estimates can you provide?*
 - Fleury: No, a temporary conversion of Granite Street into a Bicycle Boulevard would be the most immediate course of action. Existing operational budget would allow for this change to be made. Cost estimates are as follows:
 - \$250 for a sign + signpost installation
 - \$450-\$650 for thermoplastic sharrow markings; one would be needed about every 250 feet (estimated \$3000-\$5000 in short term implementation)

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- Dahle: *If a motion to make Granite Street into a Bicycle Boulevard passes, could it be completed by the 4th of July?*
 - Fleury: Possibly. Will consult with Street Department Supervisor, Schweizer.

David moves to have Public Works Director present a set of low-cost design solutions for Granite Street for TAC to deliberate on and select at the next June TAC meeting. Dahle seconds.

David withdraws motion. Dahle withdraws second.

Vieville motions to institute a Bicycle Boulevard on Granite Street. Graf seconds. David and Dahle vote no. Motion passes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Ashland Municipal Code Updates
 - Bicycle License: APD Chief advised leaving language as is
 - Reviewed skateboard rules and regulations
- Review Traffic Calming Program

David moves to approve final draft of the 2026 Traffic Calming Program. Morris seconds. Unanimous approval.

- TAC email/SeeClickFix Review and Response
 - Oak & Nevada:
 - Peterson Adams: *Does this qualify for a 4-way stop?*
 - Fleury: not without a study; can investigate intersection sight distance and parking
 - Correnti to send Overland and Marshall copy of 2026 Traffic Calming Program application

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- Enterprise System Funding (Transportation)

AGENDA BUILDING – Future Meetings:

- TSP Update

ADJOURNMENT: 6:00 PM

Next Meeting Date: June 18, 2026 via Zoom from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Marlena Correnti, Administrative Assistant