

ASHLAND TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

July 16, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: 4:00 PM

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

Staff Present: Scott Fleury, Marlena Correnti, Derreck Moore

Council Liaison Present: Eric Hansen

Guests: Nancy K Boyer, Laura Marshall, Weston Overland, [jturn], Edem Gomez – RVT, John Tyler – SERJAC, Andy Bowen, Tyler Pohle

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Previous month TAC Agenda and Minutes – June 18, 2026
- Fire season is in full force; Attend the Better Prepared Wildfire Series
- Pioneer Hall Ribbon Cutting Ceremony: Wednesday, July 22nd from 3:30-5:30 PM

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of June 18, 2026 Minutes - CORRECTIONS:
 - Council: Food and beverage tax **report** (not *renewal*)

Brouillard moved to approve Minutes with aforementioned corrections. Dahle seconded. 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

- Parks and Recreation Commission – Dormouse Trail has gone to Parks Commission; Study Session on August 5th, input accepted through September 3rd, voted on September 9th. Review the [trail proposal](#).
 - Brouillard: public input must be submitted in written form (mail or email)
 - Mail to Parks and Recreation, 1195 East Main Street, Ashland, OR 97520
 - [Email Parks and Recreation](#)
 - [Email Nancy Mero](#) – Executive Assistant
 - Link for Public Comment on City [website](#)
- Parks – David: A mockup of the proposed permanent structure over the ice skating rink parking lot was presented
 - Dahle: *Is this [project] still sponsored by Ashland Rotary?*
 - Fleury: Ashland Rotary only sponsors the ice rink; the sponsor for new permanent structure is yet unknown.
- TrAC – Richards: Adopted draft of Trails Proposal Procedure
 - Five applications for two open positions on TrAC

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- August 5th Council Chamber Discussion about Dormouse Trail
- Planning Commission – Fleury:
 - Planning Director Goldman spoke about TSP process; Planning Commission is interested in providing input throughout the process, chiefly surrounding parking as well as the downtown corridor and A Street specifically
 - Peterson Adams: North Main Corridor Project was referenced as a completed and successful project from the last TSP update
- Housing and Human Services – Peterson Adams: Community education project for YIMBY (Yes! In My Backyard) to combat NIMBYism
- APD – Moore: Fourth of July Festivities were successful, E-bike conversation continues
- RVTD – Gomez: Community Survey is [online](#); Results to be shared with TAC
 - Direct inquiries to [Paige West](#) – Planning and Strategic Programs Manager

NEW BUSINESS

- Trail Connection to Pioneer Street – Study Session on August 5th, input accepted through September 3rd, voted on September 9th. Review the [trail proposal](#).
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 - Fleury sent TAC the recommendations from the Forest Lands Commission which may aid discussion
 - Peterson Adams: *What are the TAC's responsibilities here?*
 - Fleury: Cyclist, pedestrian, and vehicular proximity and connectivity is paramount. Consider, how do people access and exit the trail network safely? Ensuring transportation safety for users is the primary objective.

Richards moved that the Parks Department's adoption of any new trail be contingent upon safety notice, maps, and user directions posted at the trail start and trail end. No second; Discussion follows.

Richards motioned that upon adoption of the Upper Lithia Bike Trails, the Parks Department add signage to trail terminus indicating safe and recommended routes for users. Dahle seconded for discussion; Discussion followed.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: 3 - NO: 6

David moved that the TAC comment to APR Interim Director the Dormouse Trail not terminate at Pioneer Street, as the transportation network is not prepared to manage predictable mountain bike trail traffic into downtown. Dahle seconded. Discussion followed. **ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: 3 - NO: 6**

David moved that TAC comment to APR Interim Director that the terminus of the Dormouse Trail seems concerning with regards to pedestrian and biker safety. Brouillard seconded.

Graf proposed amendment to the motion to include TAC's request that APR consider an alternative trail end. David

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seconded amendment.

David moved that TAC comment to the APR Interim Director that the terminus of the Dormouse Trail seems concerning with regards to pedestrian and biker safety, and TAC requests APR's consideration of an alternative trail end. ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: 8 - NO: 1

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- TAC email/SeeClickFix:
 - No Overnight Camping Signs
 - Request to go to Council and APD as is not within TAC purview
 - Signage for Walkers along Siskiyou
 - That section of Siskiyou is ODOT jurisdiction; Correnti to share contact avenues with submitter
 - Request to pave the alley between Sherman Street and Fairview Street
 - Pohle – 199 Sherman Street; Concern of dust and impaired access to home during rain and storm
 - Dahle: *Have you approached neighbors about their interest?*
 - Pohle: No, I wanted to see if it were even possible first.
 - Public Works would require that the following conditions be met:
 - Alley access 15' minimum with 2' shoulders (fire accessibility minimum)
 - Compliant driveway apron installed at the connection point
 - Stormwater drainage appropriately managed
 - All impacted/benefitting property owners affirm their desire for paving the alley
 - Adjacent property owner(s) cover the majority of the cost
 - Is Planning approval required? Fleury to approach Planning and share next steps with Pohle
 - Stop sign suggested at Fork where it meets Pioneer and Hargadine:
 - Fleury: steep grade of Fork Street presents wintertime issue; adding Stop for downhill drivers would result in the removal of 3-4 parking spots and could create avoidant driver behavior
 - Vision improvements are warranted; Schweizer and Johnson to consider vision clearance concerns and vegetation removal

Brouillard moved to extend meeting by 10 minutes. Dahle seconded. Approved.

- Crosswalk Requested at corner of Normal Avenue
 - Boyer – Kids ride bikes on the sidewalk; speeding is frequent and a crosswalk would be beneficial
 - Fleury: NACTO guidance would not require an engineering study for a low-volume residential roads such as Normal; Advanced signage could be entertained
 - Brouillard: welcomes striping, but notes this section of Normal is part of the TSP update
 - Dahle: *Are there unintended consequences of adding crosswalk striping?*
 - Brouillard: yes, people will likely disregard crosswalk striping and park directly in front of the corner cutouts.

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Brouillard motioned to ask the City to consider adding painted striping and signage. Morris seconded.
Approved.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- AMC Code Updates

AGENDA BUILDING – Future Meetings:

ADJOURNMENT: 6:10 PM

Next Meeting Date: August 20, 2026

In person at Council Chambers and via Zoom from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Marlena Correnti, Administrative Assistant