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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Astoria Transportation System Plan Update – Neighborhood Meetings June 12 & 13, 2013

The City will host three Neighborhood Meetings for the Astoria Transportation System Plan (TSP) Update to provide an opportunity for community members to learn about the TSP update and give feedback about the project and possible solutions to current and future transportation issues in Astoria. The meetings will focus on improvements proposed for the specific neighborhoods and will be held as follows:

Uniontown/West Marine/Bond Street Neighborhood - **Wednesday, June 12, 2013** from **5:00 to 6:30 p.m.** at the **Liberty Theater, McTavish Room** (1203 Commercial Street). Proposed alterations include lane reconfiguration on West Marine and return Bond Street to two way traffic.

Downtown Neighborhood - Wednesday, June 12, 2013 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Liberty Theater, McTavish Room (1203 Commercial Street). Proposed alterations include conversion of one-way to two-way streets in the downtown area.

Niagara/7th/Olney Avenue Neighborhood - Thursday, June 13, 2013 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers (1095 Duane Street). Proposed alterations include reduction in lane widths / installation of pedestrian improvements on Niagara Avenue and 7th Street, and reconfiguration of traffic on Olney Avenue.

The City's updated Transportation System Plan will guide improvements to roads, trails, and other transportation facilities over the next 20 years. At the meeting, participants will have the opportunity to visit display stations where they can learn more about specific topics, ask questions, and share ideas.

So far the TSP project team has:

- Established goals and objectives
- Assessed existing conditions related to transportation
- Explored issues and needs related specifically to walking and biking
- Prepared a report about transportation conditions projected for the next 20 years, needs that stem from these conditions, and potential improvements to address these needs.

The most recent project product – a detailed future conditions report – addresses where people in Astoria are expected to go and which routes they will use to get there in the next 20 years and what types of deficiencies and needs are projected for road, transit, and other transportation facilities. The report also provides a "menu" of potential projects to address these needs. The project team is looking for help from the community as it develops and evaluates potential projects.

To learn more about the project and tell us what you think – and for those who cannot attend the open house – please visit the project's Web site at http://www.wix.com/dksassociates/astoriatsp. Those interested can also contact Brett Estes, City of Astoria Community Development Director, at (503) 338-5183 or bestes@astoria.or.us.

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