

MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 18, 2026 SMILE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

1. **Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Scott Kelly, Transportation Committee Chair.** Two others in attendance; Max Schwarz, and Anna Chittum.
2. **SE 17th Avenue Speed and Traffic Study Results** – We reviewed the results of the traffic speed and volume data that PBOT recently collected at several points on SE 17th, both north and south of SE Tacoma. We further discussed the locations on SE 17th between SE Nehalem and SE McLoughlin that warrant marked crosswalks to improve pedestrian safety. (We recognize that marked pedestrian crosswalks alone do not necessarily provide safe crossings, and we will continue to encourage PBOT to install other traffic calming measures like speed bumps, curb bulb-outs, and/or concrete islands or planters to reduce motor vehicle speeds on SE 17th).

Based on the location of bus stops on SE Milwaukie one block to the west, nearby facilities that generate pedestrian traffic, and the location to the nearest marked crosswalks or splitter islands that provide some pedestrian crossing refuge, we identified three intersections that we believe warrant marked crosswalks; SE Lexington, SE Rex, and SE Knight. That request will be sent to PBOT.

3. **Yellow Paint for No Parking on Curbs** – Scott reported that PBOT has agreed to allow SMILE to paint curbs yellow at selected intersections that are already signed for no parking. The goal is to improve visibility for motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists at intersections. The committee discussed organizing a work day for the first batch of 7 locations that are approved. We expect the first work party to be sometime in April. Once the first batch is done, we'll identify the next batch of locations and set up additional work days throughout the summer. Anyone interested in helping with this should contact Scott Kelly.
4. **The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.**