



City of Wilsonville 5th Street to Kinsman Road Extension Project

Open House #3 Summary Report

Public Outreach Overview

On November 14, 2017, the City of Wilsonville hosted an open house for Old Town area neighbors and businesses to meet, learn about, and provide input on the future design plans for Boones Ferry Road and the 5th Street to Kinsman Road Extension Project. Input was gathered from meeting participants about the proposed draft streetscape designs along 5th Street, Kinsman Road, and Boones Ferry Road between 5th and Bailey Street, as well as any other questions or comments that they had.

Outreach Methods

Community members were invited to attend the open house in the following ways:

- E-mail distributed to the project stakeholders list (90 people) on October 30.
- Postcard mailing sent to over 365 area residents and businesses on October 31.

Open House

The open house for the 5th Street to Kinsman Road Extension Project was held on Tuesday, November 14th from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at Wilsonville City Hall, located at 29799 SW Town Center Loop E in Wilsonville. Approximately 15 people attended, as well as staff from the City and the consultant team.

The meeting was an open house format with a short, informal presentation at 6:15 p.m. which provided a brief status update on the project and next steps. Participants had the opportunity to view informational displays showing proposed design plans for 5th Street to Kinsman Road and Boones Ferry Road, as well as a project overview, goals, and timeline. A 3-D model of the proposed streetscape improvements for Boones Ferry Road was also available for review. *The informational displays are attached in Appendix A.*

Attendees were encouraged to provide comments either orally to members of the project team or in writing via comment forms. *Three comment forms were completed and are listed in this summary. Other verbal comments are included as part of the following overview summary report.*

Summary of Public Input

Overall

Neighbors in attendance were relatively pleased with the design concepts for the 5th Street Extension and Boones Ferry Road. However, there were a few neighbors in attendance from the Old Town neighborhood who were dissatisfied with the change in plans for Boones Ferry Road to include on-street parking rather than a dedicated right turn lane going southbound onto 5th Street. When it was explained that this was done to slow travel speeds and protect pedestrians, some participants seemed to support the change. Several suggested a dedicated right turn going eastbound on 5th Street to provide alternative access to the Old Town neighborhood during I-5 back-ups.

Some neighbors expressed concern about drivers using Otto Lane to get through to Old Town during back-ups. A “no through street” sign was suggested at this location.

Several people suggested improvements to the Boones Ferry Road and Wilsonville Road intersection that could help alleviate traffic back-ups in Old Town; specifically, changing the northbound through lane on Boones Ferry Road to a through right turn.

Several people indicated support for the raised intersection at 5th and Boones Ferry, indicating that it would be a good mechanism for slowing traffic; however one person indicated they did not want red bricks used in the crosswalk.

A few participants indicated that they did not support stormwater planters because they seemed to collect litter.

Several Old Town neighbors expressed support for the change in the bus route to direct buses onto 5th Street and Kinsman Road rather than through the Old Town neighborhood.

The property owner at the east corner of 5th Street and Boones Ferry Road supported the streetscape designs fronting his property, including adding the path to the side door, adding the gravel side area, and changing the front entryway access. He also supported the idea of adding landscaping at the south end of his property.

One property owner on Boones Ferry Road requested asphalt instead of gravel in the space between his property and the sidewalk. This would also help keep gravel from spilling up on the sidewalk.

A member of the local historical society was in attendance and suggested the interpretive signs stay in the same general area and remain accessible.

The business owner on the west corner of 5th Street and Boones Ferry Road did not support adding two trees along the existing Boones Ferry Road frontage planting area. He was concerned about root damage and making sure the type of tree was appropriate. He also suggested installing a specific bollard (installed farther south on BFR).

The tenant living at the home owned by Orepac on the north side of 5th Street was in attendance and expressed interest in knowing where future driveway access to the property would be.

One person asked about the ROW width on 5th Street.

Summary of feedback from comment cards

Participants were asked to provide feedback on the proposed designs presented for Boones Ferry Road and the 5th to Kinsman Road Extension. The following list represents the input collected from the three comment cards completed at the meeting:

What thoughts do you have about the proposed design drawings for Boones Ferry Road? What do you like about the design concepts? What would you like to see changed?

- Prefer no stormwater planters.
- No red pavers at 5th and Boones Ferry. More neutral material.
- If this makes it so we can't get home south of 5th Street you will be making a lot of home owning voters very unhappy. We already can't get out when traffic backs up, it appears we won't be able to get home either.

What do you like about the draft 5th Street Extension design plans? What would you like to see changed?

- Dislike the red brick in the drawing at Bailey. Does not fit the feel of Old Town.

What do you like about the draft Kinsman Road design plans? What would you like to see changed?

Do you have any other comments?

- Ultimately, I guess if Paul can live with this we will try to remain positive unless it very negatively impacts our quality of life. BTW – this does not create the foundation for a great place to live! WE have a great place to live without these kind of changes.
- When does the crossing at 2nd close? Have a concern that Otto Lane will be use increasingly to get home into Old Town if people can't turn south onto Boones Ferry Road or continue straight onto Boones Ferry. Increased traffic on Otto and 2nd would have a very negative impact on the homeowners.