Portland Streetcar Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting  
Thursday, August 20, 2015, 3:30-5:00 p.m., City Hall, Pettygrove Room  
Members in Attendance: Owen Ronchelli, Chair; David Brandt; Carolyn Brock; Bill Danneman; Reza Farhoodi; Jon Joiner; Arlene Kimura; Janet McGarrigle; Susan Pearce; Zoe Presson; Bob Richardson; Brian Ruder; Scott Seibert; Ian Stude  
Staff Attendance: Dan Bower, Kay Dannen; Julie Gustafson; Kathryn Levine  
Guests: Shoshana Cohen, PBOT; Adam Kriss; John Sporseen  

1. Meeting to Order:  
Ronchelli called the meeting to Order. The minutes from the July 16, 2015 meeting were approved.

2. Public Comment  
Adam Kriss testified his concern about the A & B Loop and the destination signs, especially out of town tourist that aren't familiar with our system. He didn't think the destination signs really distinguish between the A and B Loop. Dan indicated that we are providing directional signage on the header board on each train which indicates the clockwise and counterclockwise directions. The train header for the A Loop will indicate via the Pearl District, Lloyd District, OMSI and PSU. The train header for the B Loop will indicate via the Pearl District, PSU, OMSI and Lloyd District. Owen mentioned that educating the public on the operation of the A Loop and B Loop is challenging; however, new frame maps have been produced and are being installed on the cars and shelters with the A Loop and B Loop information. Dan indicated streetcar is actually providing the information Adam is requesting by providing directional information on the A & B Loop.

3. Update on City of Portland Grant Development  
Shoshana Cohen from PBOT reported on the draft Projects for the Upcoming Grant Cycles and Summary of Projects by Mode. Shoshana is working with the Resource & Legislative Team to prioritize state & regional funding for upcoming transportation project. Some funding sources could be STIP – enhanced; STIP – Fix-It; Regional Flex Funds; Connect Oregon; TIGER (transportation surface transportation investment); SDC (System Development Charges).  
Reza asked if there is any funding for dedicated lanes for streetcar.

Funding will depend on funding cycles, transportation surface projects, readiness of a project, available match and public and private support. Seattle building an extension of Streetcar that will require off wire vehicles; therefore, they will be selling their 3 used streetcars. Portland is interested in purchasing those streetcars to add to our fleet.

Mayor Hales has asked that streetcar find a way to speed up operations. Kittleson and Associates has been hired to provide some information on possible ways to decrease streetcar headways. The City will be adding signals to the intersections on NW 10th and NW 11th soon at Couch because of the heavy congestion at those areas. There are also right turn lanes only being provided on 10th and 11th south of Burnside to Market. Dan will provide a memorandum at the next CAC meeting regarding possible efficiencies in operations.
Shoshana provided the following information:

**Ped/Bike Projects**
- Flanders Bridge and Bikeway – total estimate $5M
- SE Seventies Bikeway (72nd Ave, Sacramento to Killingsworth) – total estimate $4M
- NE Seventies Walkway & Bikeway (72nd Ave, Sacramento to Killingsworth) – total estimate $4M
- T-HOP Bikeway (includes I-205 undercrossing) – total estimate $3/$4M
- 122nd Avenue Corridor Improvements – total estimate $3.5M
- David Douglas Safe Routes to School (includes 4M Bikeway) – total estimate $5.4M
- Powell-Division Corridor Multi-modal Access Improvements – total estimate $5M
- Capitol Highway Safety Improvements – total estimate $8M
- NE 47th Ave. Freight & Active Transportation Improvements – total estimate $1M
- Terwilliger Bikeway Gaps – total estimate $1M
- Pedestrian & Bicycle Overcrossing to SE Clinton Station – Gideon Ped/Bike Bridge – total estimate $5M
- Neighborhood Greenway Retrofit Program
- SE 136th Multimodal Project

**Freight and Congestion Management Projects**
- Rivergate Blvd. Overcrossing – total estimate $16+M
- Columbia/Cully Intersection Improvement – total estimate TBS
- NE 47th Ave Freight & Active Transportation Improvements – total estimate $1M
- Cathedral Park Quiet Zone – total estimate $8.2M
- South Portal Intersection Improvements – total estimate $10M
- ITS Improvements – total estimate TBD

**Trail Projects**
- North Portland Greenway Trail, Segment 5 (Albina Yard) – total estimate $18M?
- North Portland Greenway Trail, Segment 2 (Baltimore Woods) – estimate $1.2M
- Red Electric Trail, City Limits to Hillsdale, total estimate $5M
- T-HOP Bikeway (includes I-205 undercrossing) – total estimate $3/4M
- Streetcar Vehicle Purchase – total estimate $5M (purchase three used Streetcar Vehicles from Seattle)
- Lloyd District Turnaround – total estimate $1M to 2M
- Streetcar Improvements as identified by current study (the Study will be completed by the end of September 2015.)
- 122nd Ave. Corridor Improvements – total estimate $3.5M
- Powell-Division Corridor Multi-model Access Improvements – total estimate $5M

**All Modes**
- Outer Powell Blvd. Corridor Improvements, Phase 1 completion – total estimate $4M
• Garden Home & Multnomah Intersection Improvements – total estimate $2M
• Lloyd District Multi-Modal Transportation Improvements – total estimate $20M
• Central City Multi-modal Safety Project, Phase 2

4. 2015 Development Report
Dan reported on the Development Impacts within ¼ mile of the Portland Streetcar published in July of 2015 and prepared by Eco Northwest. The report shows since 1998, $4.5 billion in market value has been developed in the corridor. New development comprises 28% of the total market value in the corridor.

The ¼ mile streetcar corridor has increased in market value by $11.63 billion since 1998. The corridor comprised 11% of citywide market value in 1998. Post-Streetcar, it increased to 17% of total market value in the city by 2015.

25% of all apartments developed in the corridor from 1998 to 2015 were subsidized affordable housing units.

5. Loop Opening Celebration
Julie reported on opening events for “Complete the Loop” and provided details of the Portland Streetcar Selfie Contest being held on the opening day of September 12, 2015. The grand prize is a 5 night trip to Waikiki, Hawaii including airfare. Contest rules are listed at www.portlandstreetcar.org/selfieloop.
Opening ceremonies are at SW 3rd & Harrison MAX stop where TriMet has a list of 15 speakers. Streetcar will have a booth at the OMSI location and Julie is asking for volunteers on that day to help staff this booth. Volunteers will be staffing the booth in 2 hours increments from 9am through 7pm. Official service on MAX and the Streetcar a & B Loop commences at 11am on September 12, 2015.

6. Staff Updates
Dan has enlisted the help from AECOM to develop some options for a track turn back in the Lloyd District to enable options for operations to be flexible in case of a Broadway Bridge closure. PSI is also looking at the possible purchase of the 3 used streetcars currently in operation in Seattle. Seattle is expanding their streetcar systems that requires that use of “off wire” cars.

7. Other Business
There will be a bus bridge in August of 2015 from SE Mill to OMSI for about 1 ½ weeks while the City makes some repairs around the tracks.

The next meeting for the Streetcar Citizens Advisory Committee will be Thursday, September 17, 2015, 3:30pm-5:00pm at City Hall, Pettygrove Room. Please call Julie Gustafson at (503) 222-4200 or email at julie.gustafson@portlandstreetcar.org if you have any questions regarding this committee. The CAC meetings are open to the public.