**CCIM Hawthorne/Madison Subcommittee meeting notes**

Virtual Meeting

10/22/2020

*Follow-ups added in italics 11/9/2020*

**Attendees**

Working Group Members:    
Susan Lindsey, Reza Farhoodi, Peter Fry, Emily Guise, Izzy Armenta  
Guests: Brenda Martin, TriMet

PBOT: Gabe Graff, Briana Orr

**General CCIM project updates**

* Gabe provide overview of progress on MLK/Grand and NW Broadway, both currently in construction
* Briana noted that white candlesticks would be installed this week, parking issues in the bike lanes should improve once those are in.

**Hawthorne/Madison Draft Final Plans**

Briana provided a project update and overview.

Timeline

* Currently in final draft review
* Project delivery has been delayed. Needed more time to refine design, and team CCIM prioritized MLK/Grand, and the designs were further along
* Contracting work out
* Anticipated construction beginning in March 2021

Big themes/changes from 60% Plans

* Changed from delivering with PBOT maintenance crews to delivering with a contractor
* Traffic control plans added because we will be working with a contractor
* New signal modifications at 7th (not shown in this plan, will be delivered in house)
* Parking/Loading zones reviewed, appropriate setbacks from intersections and driveways
* Modifying placement of white candlesticks (tubular markers) extended up to the intersection, moved closer to the parking lane within the buffer
* Not shown: 12th avenue, looking at adding delineators where there are not legal driveways present.

Zicla

* Brenda: Zicla timing – should be installed at the same time as the project.
* Emily: Bus platform – Checkerboard pattern – Commissioner Eudaly had visual impairment concerns and it triggered her vertigo. Encourage PBOT to have the bike’s path up and over the Zicla to be green for consistency and contrast.
* Briana: Possible we could re-arrange the patterns to be zebra-style crosswalk instead of checkerboard. Briana will check in with PBOT engineers regarding green and if 12th avenue has already been ordered.
  + *11/9 update: We have not ordered 12th avenue zicla yet. Looking to see if the manufacturer can produce the green color for the top, and will be discussing with our engineers.*

Traffic Control Plans

* 12th Avenue construction is the most complicated – will take place outside of
* Generally, the approach will be: close two lanes on the north side to do construction, then once construction is completed on the north side, we’ll flop and close the south side lanes for construction.
* Emily: Will there be separation for bikes / cars during construction?
* Briana: We’ll create a detour to Clay, and will also add signs to Hawthorne to notify of shared lanes. Closing more of Hawthorne at one time allows the work to go faster.

Madison between 6th and Grand

* Reza: how will this block operate?
* Briana: We worked on this block a lot; and where we landed is similar to how it operates today. But we’ve switched the bike box to extend in front of the GP lane instead of the right turn and bus lane.
  + Briana – follow-up: Will we be allowing right on red from Madison to Grand.
  + *11/9 update: Yes, we will allow right on red here.*
* Reza: will the bus stop be in the same place? Are there queue jumps here?
* Briana: Yes, the stop will be in the same place and we do not have signal modifications here.

Madison between 6th to 7th

* We have a mixing zone to transition bikes away from the curb, but the only vehicles that will mix with bikes there are TriMet buses
* Reza – Will pro-time parking be removed?
* Briana: Yes, this will be removed, and we’ve aimed to preserved parking along the south side, will be 7th to 10th. The parking removal is a big impact.
* South side – is it pro-time parking or full-time parking?
  + Briana to confirm
  + *11/9 update: It is pro-time parking on the South side of Madison*

Parking

* Emily: Are we removing parking approaching intersections?
* Briana: Yes, it’s a big impact for parking but big safety improvement and part of our
* Susan: What has the business community’s reaction to the loss of parking been?
  + Briana: It’s been mixed. The last time we went door-to-door we were at 30% plans. There has been additional parking removal. When we went door-to-door, we heard generally desire for short-term, loading/unloading, passenger pick-up. We have tried to include where we can. There are some businesses that don’t like it.
* Susan: Concern that we are creating a highway, that we aren’t doing enough to support small businesses
* Susan: Concerned the parking removal on Hawthorne adjacent to the County building.
  + No public parking is currently available at their structure.
  + Briana to follow-up with County, and will also ask about availability to park on 6th Avenue and at their parking structure.
  + *11/9 update: Briana following up with PBOT Parking Control re: 6th and Grand short-term parking.*
* Emily: Felt that the parking wasn’t well-utilized in her observations.

12th and Madison

* Reza: Will there be crossings?
* Briana: We have high visibility crosswalks going in where we have existing crossings, but we don’t have budget to add new crossings on the north side of Hawthorne at 12th or the south side of Madison at 12th – would require signal improvements.

Hawthorne and 7th

* Emily: How will people bicycling make the left turn movement from 7th to Hawthorne?
  + Briana to follow-up – do we still have a turn box? Plan isn’t clear
  + *11/9 update: We are going to wait to observe how bikes and vehicles move through this space to make a decision on if there is enough space here for this to be a 2-stage left turn. We also need to understand the signal sequencing so if bikes are waiting here they are not in the turning path of right turning vehicles (from Hawthorne to 7th).*
* Emily: Post placement – are the close enough together that people will know where to park? Advocating for them to be more frequently placed, like how they are currently are on Multnomah.
  + Briana to follow-up with the width between posts, reference current spacing on Multnomah?
  + *11/9 update: Yes, we will use a similar spacing. It will need to be fit in the field, and we can always adjust/add more.*
* Reza: No right on red at 7th? There will be a separate signal phase?
  + Briana: Yes, that’s correct.
* Reza: Hatched buffers – are these concrete or paint?
  + Briana: Paint. Some flex posts (shown in small circles). This is a phase II – we can come back and harden those.
* Izzy: Changing signal timing – are there improvements to pedestrians people making right turns?
  + Briana: Will follow-up with our signals team, but signal timing is not a focus of this project. Pedestrians would cross at the same time as general traffic, bikes. And then vehicles turning right would go.
  + *11/9 update: After discussing with the signals team, there will likely be an additional wait time where we are updating signals and separating movements at 7th and 11th. We feel a small amount of wait time is worth the improvements in improved pedestrian safety, because cars will not be turning at the same time as pedestrians crossing.*