



## ***Main Street Safety Project Community Engagement Efforts***

### **Upcoming Online Open House**

On November 7, 2018, the project team will launch an online open house. The online open house will gather input and feedback from the community to start to inform what infrastructure safety improvements are desired and needed that will provide for the movement of goods and people, support the economic viability of the corridor, accommodate current bus service and future transit solutions, and complement ongoing traffic safety education and enforcement.

We will send another e-update when the online open house is live and you can participate by watching the introductory video and filling out questions asked as part of the online open house. We would also appreciate your support with sending the online open house to others interested in Main Street to help provide decisions makers with input that is necessary to make informed decisions regarding the future of Main Street.

### **Community Engagement Plan**

Building upon prior community visioning and planning efforts for Main Street, and input from the Governance Team and City Council, the project team has prepared a robust community engagement plan for the Main Street Safety Project to ensure a thorough gathering of community input occurs.

The Springfield Planning Commission, which also serves as the City of Springfield's Committee for Citizen Involvement, approved the [Community Engagement Plan](#) for the Main Street Safety Project at their September 5, 2018 meeting held at Springfield City Hall. The plan outlines how the community will be engaged in the planning efforts for the Facility Plan phase of the project. Read the [Community Engagement Plan](#) for details.

### **Strategic Advisory Committee**

As part of community engagement to inform the selection of design concepts for infrastructure improvements, the City of Springfield used multiple methods to advertise for applicants to serve on the Main Street Safety Project Strategic Advisory Committee. At their September 5, 2018 meeting, the Springfield Committee for Citizen Involvement appointed the following community members to serve on the Main Street Safety Project Strategic Advisory Committee:

- William Belcher
- James Coldren
- Staci Holt
- Susan Hartmann
- Dean Huber
- Dick Jones
- Marshall Loveday
- Alyssa Martin
- Garrick Mishaga
- Joe Tokatly
- Jeffrey Wing
- Dani Wright

The Strategic Advisory Committee is an opportunity for stakeholders to provide input, feedback, and guidance to staff, and to put together a set of recommendations for the Springfield Planning Commission to consider in forming their recommendation to City Council. This Committee is composed of residents, business and property owners, employees and advocates from within the Main Street Corridor, and from the wider Springfield community. There are representatives from businesses and Chamber of Commerce, property owners, senior citizens, bike and pedestrian interest groups, and members with disabilities.

This advisory committee will hold its first meeting from 3 to 6 pm on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at Springfield City Hall in conference rooms 615-616. The community can attend the meeting to listen and observe. However, public comment will not be taken during the meeting.

### **Stay Informed**

If you know others who would like to be informed about Main Street and receive email updates, please send them to this link to sign up: <http://mainstreetsafety.org>.

To stay informed please visit <http://mainstreetsafety.org>.

If your situation has changed and you no longer want to receive e-updates about Main Street related projects you can opt-out by using the "Safe Unsubscribe" link in the footer of this email.

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#### **Project Purpose**

Springfield's Main Street is consistently ranked as one of the most unsafe city streets in Oregon based on the severity and frequency of traffic crashes. The Oregon Department of Transportation and the City must address this problem to save lives, reduce injuries, and lessen property damage due to crashes. The purpose of the Main Street Safety Project is to select infrastructure solutions that will make Main Street safer for people walking, biking, driving, and taking transit.

The selected safety improvements will provide for the movement of goods and people, support the economic viability of the corridor, accommodate current bus service and future transit solutions, and complement traffic safety education and enforcement.

