



**MINOR BETTERMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**October 13, 2011**

<u>Members:</u>	John Douglas, URMDAC	<u>Staff:</u>	Victoria Saager
	Bonnie Hadley, URMDAC		Dave Schamp
	Brian Irish, Staff		Stacia Sheelar
	Matt Meier, Staff		Todd Watkins
	Marty Moyer, CCI		
	Linda Peters, CCI		
	Doug Riedweg, RROMAC	<u>Consultant:</u>	Leslie Howell
	Stephen Roberts, Staff		
	Lars Wahlstrom, RROMAC		
	Aisha Willits, Staff		
<u>Absent:</u>	Shelley Oylear, Staff	<u>Guests:</u>	Gary Ross, CPO 1
	Jinde Zhu, Staff		

**Welcome**

Leslie Howell opened the meeting with introductions and review of the last meeting minutes. The minutes were approved.

**Issues Bin Discussion:**

There were no pending issues.

**Public Input:**

Victoria reported that the short list has been available on the web for two weeks with an interactive map that provides an opportunity for the public to comment. Twenty different comments were received prior to the committee meeting and these comments were posted on the website for review. There were packets of information attached to each proposed location on the map for the public to review. A few additional comments were submitted today that are not in the handout. (You may request an electronic copy of the handout from victoria\_saager@co.washington.or.us . Victoria reviewed the types of comments and answered questions. She commented that almost every project received a comment.

**Public Comment**

Gary Ross from CPO 1 and Connecting Neighborhoods Committee attended and asked if all of the Minor Betterment projects would be ADA compliant. Brian Irish answered yes anywhere

that is possible and he reminded the group Minor Betterments are temporary interim improvements. Gary commented that CPO 1 submitted 44 candidates and he is very pleased with the criteria developed by the committee. He recognized that CPO1 had more projects submitted than other CPO's and told the committee he did not expect that CPO 1 would receive greater than their fair share of projects. Leslie invited Mr. Ross to stay through the meeting and to speak to committee members or staff directly if he would like.

**Committee Discussion**

Marty Moyer asked for a list of required warrants to get a signal at Springville Road. Staff will get her this information.

CPO 1 evaluated all of their candidates and found information that should be reflected in the scoring criteria and submitted it for consideration. Staff responded those items were considered and are reflected in the updated list. There was discussion regarding allowing this criteria to be used when other CPOs did not do the same and it was decided that all information should be used by the committee as they form their recommendation, as the County requested all CPOs to look into their areas and verify the criteria used.

Brian walked the committee through several possible groupings of projects that each added up to the allocated budget. The committee discussed each group and moved projects to a final preferred grouping that the entire committee agreed upon:

<b>Minor Betterment #</b>	<b>CPO</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>From and To</b>
239	1	Walker Rd. Pedestrian Path	Roxbury Ave. to Cedar Hills Blvd.
249	1	Barnes Rd. Widening and Bike Lane	County Line to Leahy Rd.
194	7	Rock Creek Rd. Pedestrian Path	185 <sup>th</sup> Ave. to Columbia Ave.
177	6	197 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Pedestrian Path	Rock Rd. to Baseline Ave.
216	10	River Rd. widening and turn lane	At Rosedale

**Alternate projects may include:**

<b>Minor Betterment #</b>	<b>CPO</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>From and To</b>
132	1	Jenkins Rd. Signal	Jenkins Rd. and 153 <sup>rd</sup> Ave.
175	7	Cornell Rd. Signal	Cornell Rd. and John Olson Rd.
222	1	Walker Rd. Pedestrian Path	Westfield Ave. to McCamley Rd.

The five candidates selected meet the committee's objectives of addressing safety and connectivity issues, while achieving geographic diversity. Four are urban and one is rural. They are multimodal, benefiting pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists. One leverages maintenance work planned for next summer. The total estimated cost is within the \$500,000 budget target.

Dave Schamp indicated that he may be able to accomplish several projects with maintenance funding or he will talk with other division managers about funding. Those projects included:

<b>Minor Betterment #</b>	<b>CPO</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>From and To</b>
230	6	170 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Pedestrian Path	Johnson St. to Merlo Rd.
023	6	Bany Rd. Pedestrian Path	170 <sup>th</sup> Ave. to 179 <sup>th</sup> Ave.

**What's Next?**

The process going forward will be a recommendation from the committee to the Division Manager, to the Director and then approved by the Board of Commissioners as part of the Annual Work Program next June.

The committee will meet on November 17, 2011 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. to talk about how this process worked, what could be done differently, next steps, etc.