Tom Imrich, 6231 Parkside Lane, believes the TIP should address five major transportation related objective and priorities: 1) adequate, safe, and efficient traffic capability and traffic flow; 2) facilitation of emergency response and emergency preparedness; 3) infrastructure maintenance; 4) environmental protection and energy conservation; and 5) civic fiscal planning and tax responsibility. He spoke about how the “road diet” does not meet these.

Claus Jensen, 9325 SE 57th Street, expressed his disappointment that Council has proposed the “road diet” project under a different name and not taken the issue to a vote of the citizens.

Lucia Pirzio-Brioli, 4212 West Mercer Way, spoke about the need for more pedestrian and bicycle facilities and the she believes the Transportation Benefit District would be beneficial as the current facilities are not always up to par.

The Mayor closed the public hearing.

City Engineer Patrick Yamashita presented an overview of the draft 2013-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which is a planning tool used to identify specific projects that work together to maintain, preserve, and maximize use of the existing roadway and trail systems. He spoke about the recent financial history of the TIP and how to establish the future course for revenues and expenditures.

He noted that staff is seeking the Council’s direction on three policy questions:

1. Pursue a Transportation Benefit District ($20 license tab fee = $350K/yr.) to supplement the Street Fund, specifically for new Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities?
2. Add Seal Coats to the Roadway Preservation Toolbox?
   - Incorporate chip seal into residential street resurfacing
   - Chip seal Mercerwood Dr. [Project C.5]
   - Slurry seal pilot project on Town Center - South [Project B.2]
3. First Hill Roadway Restoration following Water System Improvements?
   - Continue current patching practice or move to full-street paving?

Following staff presentations, questions and answers and discussion, the Council decided to:

- Hold off on pursuing the Transportation Benefit District. Council will review it again if is part of the proposed budget for 2013-2014.
- Expand the roadway preservation toolbox to add seal coats (chip seal and slurry seal).
- Maintain the current policy for patching roadways for utility related cuts.
- Direct staff to craft a Scenario 4 - based on Scenario 3 - no TBD revenue, incorporate seal coats, provide a positive Street Fund balance in 2013-2014, and do not reduce Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities spending.
- Provide a cost estimate to replace buttons with a fog line on the outside lane of the Mercer Ways.
- Do not include the proposed High School Vehicle and Pedestrian Circulation Planning Project presented in the draft TIP. Consider it after the School District completes a master plan for the campus.

**AB 4738 Fire Station 92 Pre-Design Update**

Assistant City Manager Glenn Boettcher introduced Sian Roberts, Kate Spitzer and Scott Wolf from Miller Hull who provided an update on the design of Fire Station 92. They presented information about the pre-design schedule and open house, and preliminary concept drawings regarding the site analysis and program area summary.

The Council asked questions and discussed possible parking locations, two apparatus bays versus three apparatus bays, a possible civic plaza, site access, building size and appearance, and public meeting space.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Councilmember Absences**
Councilmember Grady’s absence was excused.