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May 30, 2024

Community Design Advisory Group

Meeting 6 Summary

During this meeting, the Community Design Advisory Group (CDAG) learned about eight bridge type design options that passed Multnomah County's screening process. BEAM Architects gave the committee an overview of the designs. Members discussed bridge types and which options should be shared with the greater community in a public survey. The meeting was in-person at the Multnomah Building Boardroom from 6:00-8:00 p.m., live streamed and recorded.

ATTENDEES

CDAG MEMBERS

Aaron Whelton, Portland State University Anthony Jackson, Community Member Brian P. Kimura, Japanese American Museum of Oregon

Carol Gosset, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry

Erik Swenson, Portland Saturday Market Fred Cooper, Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association & Native American Youth and Family Center

Gabe Rahe, Burnside Skatepark

Association

Guenevere Millius, Sunnyside Neighborhood Association

Ian Sieren, Community Member
Jackie Tate, Community Member
Jason Halstead, Community Member
Neil Jensen, Gresham Chamber of Commerce
Patrick Sullivan, SERA Architects
Robert Hastings, Willamette Light Brigade
Sarah Lazzaro, Community Member
Sharon Wood Wortman, Historian
Ed Wortman, Community Member
Susan Lindsay, Buckman Neighborhood

Valerie Schiller, Multnomah County Bike and Pedestrian Citizen Advisory Committee Todd DeNeffe, Central Eastside Industrial Council

ABSENT

Fred Cooper, Laurelhurst Neighborhood
Association & Native American Youth and
Family Center
Paddy Tillett, Architect/Design Professional

STAFF

Megan Neill, Multnomah County Elizabeth Britell, Multnomah County Emily Miletich, Multnomah County Sarah Hurwitz, Multnomah County Steve Drahota, HDR Carol Mayer-Reed, Mayer/Reed Cassie Davis, CD Consulting Brandy Steffen, JLA Public Involvement Tuyen Ta, JLA Public Involvement

ARCHITECTS

Keith Brownlie, BEAM Architects James Marks, BEAM Architects

PUBLIC

Members of the public were welcome to observe the meeting as non-participatory attendees.



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SUMMARY

County Design Phase Project Manager Megan Neill shared updates about the committee's work plan. County Construction Phase Project Manager Emily Miletich presented the criteria Multnomah County used to determine if bridge designs passed its screening process. The five factors in consideration were cost, schedule, constructability, impacts and risks. Miletich discussed the five options that did not pass the screening criteria and the eight options that are still being considered.

Keith Brownlie from **BEAM Architects** discussed height, profile, character and material as factors to consider between cable stay and tied arch bridge types. Brownlie also discussed the differences in uniqueness, urban context and views. **James Marks** from **BEAM Architects**, gave an overview of the eight bridge types, views from the cable stay and tied arch structure types as well as the key attributes of each bridge type.

CDAG Members shared their reactions, thoughts and asked questions. The County will ask the committee to weigh in on which bridge types should move forward to the public after its next meeting. The meeting recording and materials are available at: www.multco.us/earthquake-ready-burnside-bridge/community-design-advisory-group-meeting-materials

DECISIONS / COMMENTS

There were no decisions or recommendations made at this meeting.

There were no public comments at the meeting.

NEXT STEPS / HOMEWORK

The next CDAG meeting will be **Thursday**, **June 6**, **2024**, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Brandy Steffen will provide County staff with the CDAG's questions and come back next week, on June 6, with answers. CDAG members will discuss and recommend which bridge types will be presented to the public in late June/early July.