



TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING SPECIAL MEETING

City Council Chambers, 33 East Broadway Avenue Meridian, Idaho
Monday, September 14, 2020 at 3:30 PM

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Agenda

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ROLL-CALL ATTENDANCE

___ David Ballard

___ David McKinney

___ Ryan Lancaster

___ Walter Steed

___ Tracy Hopkins

___ Stephen Lewis

___ Jared Smith

___ Tom LeClaire

___ Joseph Leckie

___ Luke Cavener, Ex-Officio

___ Shawn Martin, Ex-Officio

___ Toni Tisdale, Ex-Officio

___ Ian Updike, Ex-Officio

___ Alissa Tayson, Ex-Officio

___ Justin Price, Ex-Officio

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. August 3rd, 2020

OLD BUSINESS [ACTION ITEM]

2. Transportation Commission Subcommittees
3. Transportation Projects Update

NEW BUSINESS [ACTION ITEM]

4. Meridian Police Department Update

[5.](#) Shared Vehicles

[6.](#) Staff Communications September 2020

FUTURE MEETING TOPICS

7. Downtown Alleyways (October)

8. Harvest Transit Service

9. Signs and City Ordinances

10. Comprehensive Plan and Master Mobility Map Components

11. Main/King Crosswalk

NEXT MEETING - October 12th, 2020

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Minutes
Meridian Transportation Commission
August 3, 2020

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Roll Call

(Meeting called to order at 3:32 p.m.; Zoom Meeting started and roll taken)

<u> </u> David Ballard	<u> </u> Stephen Lewis	<u> </u> Shawn Martin (ex-officio arrived late via Zoom)
<u> </u> David McKinney (via-zoom)	<u> </u> Jared Smith (via zoom)	<u> </u> Toni Tisdale (ex-officio-via Zoom)
<u> </u> Ryan Lancaster	<u> </u> Tom LeClaire	<u> </u> Ian Updike (ex-officio-via zoom)
<u> </u> Walter Steed	<u> </u> Joseph Leckie	<u> </u> Alissa Taysom (ex-officio via Zoom)
<u> </u> Tracy Hopkins	<u> </u> Luke Cavener (ex-officio arrived late via Zoom)	<u> </u> Jayne Coonce for Justin Price (ex-officio)

Others Present: Emily Kane, Sgt. Brandon Frasier, Miranda Carson, and Caleb Hood

Adoption of the Agenda

Chairman Ballard called for a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Lancaster motioned to adopt as written; second by Commissioner Hopkins - all-ayes – motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

- I. July 6th, 2020

Chairman Ballard asked for any corrections to the July 6, 2020 minutes. A question was asked by Commission Lewis regarding clarification on median damage in downtown by deliveries on page 4 of the packet. No corrections were noted and Commissioner Lewis motioned to approve; second by Commissioner Hopkins – all ayes - motion carried.

Old Business Items

2. **Transportation Projects Update (Caleb Hood)**

Prior to the Transportation Projects Update, Mr. Hood gave a brief introduction of Miranda Carson who joined the City of Meridian Planning Department, as the Comprehensive Associate Coordination Planner. Mr. Hood did a quick review of the projects, which begins on page 8 of the packet, and highlighted noteworthy changes, but did not read all the updates. Mr. Hood is

happy to review any items. (Clarity of this part of the recording was unrecognizable so details are limited in the minutes.)

Mr. Hood stood for question; none took place. Chairman Ballard thanked Miranda for attending and welcomed her back, albeit in a different capacity.

3. Subcommittee update on the Future Role of the Transportation Commission (Tom LeClaire)

Mr. LeClaire provided a brief update from the July 8 subcommittee meeting. The subcommittee is recommending that instead of one subcommittee, that 3-three member subcommittees be formed to tackle three major areas of focus.

- Street Standards would evaluate street standards throughout the City including safe routes to schools and major capital projects with ITD and ACHD.
- Ordinance Review would provide guidance on technical feedback and terminology definition and clarification in the codes and laws.
- Development Application Review would providing feedback to the Planning Department on proposed development without slowing the process down.

It was also suggested that each of three subcommittees meet the hour prior to the monthly Transportation Commission meeting at City Hall in a workshop environment. Timing and logistical considerations for room locations still need to be determined.

Mr. LeClaire stood for questions. A robust discussion took place with the Commission and advice from Counsel regarding the proposal from Mr. LeClaire and needed next steps. Mr. Hood will follow-up with Legal Counsel on how to proceed on framework in forming the proposed subcommittees.

New Business Items

4. Meridian Police Department Update (Sgt. Brandon Frasier)

Sgt. Frasier provided a brief update to the Commission that MPD is half-way through the seatbelt enforcement effort. Meridian ranks in the greater than 90% of people that are wearing seatbelts.

5. Golf Carts and All-Terrain Vehicles on Public Streets (Sgt. Brandon Frasier)

Mr. Hood introduced the topic by referencing the memo that he wrote and included in the packet and provided a summary on the two areas within Meridian where golf carts are currently allowed on roadways (a section of Cherry Lane and at the Touchmark retirement community). (Sgt. Frasier was listed as the presenter of this item for his input/recommendations.) Mr. Hood also noted that he has received three different emails from citizens regarding this topic. Mr. Hood recommended that if the Commission wanted to suggest any action to City Council that they discuss at this meeting while Sgt. Arnold was present. A lengthy robust discussion was had regarding the below topics:

- The 2013 City Ordinance referenced only golf carts and not UTV/ATVs. The question was raised if MPD was still supportive of this ordinance the way it is written. At the time the City Ordinance was proposed, in 2013, there was some conflict with State Statute language, so only golf carts was addressed in the City Ordinance.
- State law designates places you cannot ride UTVs, but local Law Enforcement is left to interpret and enforce.
- Questions were raised and discussed about ACHD roads and the definition of controlled access highways as it relates to golf-carts, UTVs/ATVs.
- Sgt. Frasier explained that this is not one issue but a is a fairly complex legal analysis of several issues being merged together so MPD and the community know the terms and conditions of where/when non-street legal compliant vehicles can operate.
- Another topic that was robustly discussed is the speed of the vehicle being driven and how that relates to its use within a neighborhood or to the adjacent commercial business, i.e. the gas station/mini-market, Dutch Bros. and being driven on Linder. Golf carts are typically much slower than UTV/ATV and are not a street legal vehicle with appropriate safety equipment, and are often times driven by unlicensed drivers.
- The discussion concluded with Sgt. Frasier outlining some options for further discussion and information from partner agencies, including ACHD, ITD, as well as staff.
- Commissioner Lancaster suggested that this topic be one of the first items for the subcommittees to address and bring back to the Commission to propose a recommendation to Council on how to address this very complex issue.
- Mr. Hood commented by reading the by-laws for subcommittees and participation. Additional discussion took place with advisement from Ms. Kane on further actions prior to next meeting and how to proceed prior to the next Transportation Commission meeting.

6. US 20/26 Cross-Section and Residential Noise Mitigation Request

(Prior to Mr. Walker's presentation Commissioner Lancaster recused himself from the discussion.) Mr. Walker addressed the Commission on his concerns, as well as his neighbor Mr. Harris for noise abatement on US 20/26 and it being out of compliance with City Ordinance.

Mr. Walker referenced the ITD sound study, where he lives, and that the noise levels are excessive, yet the abatement barrier is not currently under construction. Mr. Walker is inquiring when the required barrier will be built and/or when the City of Meridian will enforce the City Ordinance.

Mr. Hood will do some additional research regarding the Bainbridge project, the city code, and provide a staff analysis as it relates to the noise abatement barrier. Mr. Hood will work with Mr. Walker to better understand the issue, and outline the options for resolution and work with City Code Enforcement as necessary.

Chairman Ballard thanked Mr. Walker for his attendance.

7. Eagle, Amity to Victory Design

Steven Yearsley addressed the Commission on this topic and gave a brief summary on his background. Mr. Yearsley is a Civil Engineer, who has sat on the Transportation Commission and the Meridian Planning & Zoning Commission so he is very familiar with the process as it relates to a design of a project, addressing community concern, and ultimate review & approval of any community project.

Mr. Yearsley is part of the Tuscany HOA and thanked the Commission for allowing him to address concerns regarding the multi-use pedestrian crossings on the Eagle Road project. Mr. Yearsley recapped that ACHD held a public engagement meeting a few years back and presented two proposals, which were in the packet and he reviewed with the Commission.

Questions of Mr. Yearsley were asked, and discussion took place amongst the Commission as well as present staff. Staff expressed that concerns were raised to ACHD, through meetings and written comments throughout the analysis/development process.

A motion at 5:28 to extend the meeting to 5:45 was made by Commissioner Lancaster; second by Commissioner Hopkins – all ayes – motion passed and meeting time extended.

Further discussion took place and Mr. Yearsley requested that the Commission recommend that a letter be sent from City Council to ACHD to reevaluate those crossings.

A motion by, Commissioner Lewis, requesting a letter be sent from City Council to ACHD to re-look at the Pedestrian Crossing on the Eagle Road project; second by Commissioner Hopkins - 5 ayes (Lewis, Hopkins, LeClair, Smith and Leckie) 4 nays (Lancaster, Ballard, Steed and McKinney) - motion passed.

Business was not concluded and at 5:47 a motion from Commissioner Lewis to extend the meeting to 6pm was made; second by Commissioner LeClair – all ayes – motion passed and meeting time was extended.

8. ACHD DRAFT 2021-2025 Integrated Five-Year Work Plan

Mr. Hood, as a time sensitive issue, noted that ACHD requested that comments be provided by August 21st for finalization by October 1, 2020. In the interest of time, Mr. Hood offered his comment that year over year there was nothing suspicious or unusual in the Integrated Five-Year Work Plan (IFYWP), but he did want to daylight the issue of the Ten Mile corridor south I-84 and the discussions he had with the Mayor.

A motion by Commissioner Lancaster was made to support the IFYWP as recommended, second by Commissioner Lewis – 8 ayes, 1 – nay – motion carried.

9. September Meeting Status

Chairman Ballard opened the topic; discussion took place and it was decided that a normal meeting on September 14, 2020 would take place, due to the Labor Day holiday.

10. Staff Communications (C. Hood)

Mr. Hood referenced the included staff communications memo and stood for any questions.

Discussion on the appointment to the ACHD Capital Improvement Citizen Advisory Committee role that Chairman Ballard holds took place. Chairman Ballard apologized to the City he has not had the time to devote to that group. Mr. Hood will put forth the names of, Mr. Steed and Mr. LeClaire, to the Mayor, as potential replacements and asked both Commissioner's for their resumes to provide with the nomination from the Mayor to ACHD.

Due to the expiration of the second extended meeting time, Future Meeting Topics were not discussed and a call for adjournment was made.

Future Meeting Topics

- 11. Harvest Transit Service**
- 12. Signs in City Ordinances**
- 13. Downtown Alleyways (OCT)**
- 14. The Comprehensive Plan and Master Mobility Map Components**
- 15. Main/King Crosswalk**

Next Meeting Date: September 14, 2020

Adjourn

A motion by Commissioner Lewis to adjourn; no second. Meeting adjourned at 6:02p.m.

(AUDIO RECORDING AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST)

APPROVED:

DAVID BALLARD, CHAIR

DATE

ATTEST:

CHRIS JOHNSON (City Clerk)

DATE



MEMO TO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Agenda Topic on the Transportation Commission Agenda

From: Miranda Carson, Coordination Planner **Meeting Date:** September 14, 2020
Presenter: Miranda Carson **Estimated Time:**
Topic: Transportation Commission Subcommittees

Recommended Council Action:

Review and provide input.

Background:

During the August Transportation Commission meeting there was a discussion regarding subcommittees. There was a subcommittee reviewing the Future Role of the Transportation Commission and they recommended 3-three member subcommittees be formed to tackle major areas of focus.

Current Transportation Commission by-laws allow for the formation of these subcommittees as follows:

Article III SECTION 3: SUBCOMMITTEES. The Commission Chair, with the Commission' s approval, may establish such subcommittees as necessary or helpful to assist or advise the Commission in the performance of its functions and/ or furtherance of its mission. Meetings of subcommittees shall comply with any and all applicable public meetings laws. Each subcommittee shall consist of at least two (2) commissioners. Unless a subcommittee chair is appointed by the Commission Chair, each subcommittee shall elect a chair to preside at subcommittee meetings and present the findings and/ or recommendations of the subcommittee to the Commission. The Commission

Chair, subcommittee chair, and/or Mayor may appoint citizens or public officials to serve as members of subcommittees.

It should be noted that Commissioners can serve on more than one subcommittee, however no more than four Commissioners may serve on any one subcommittee. As noted in the bylaws, citizens and/or public officials may also be asked to participate.

The intent of this memo is to assist the Transportation Commission in coming to a determination on the framework and members of the subcommittees. During the September 14th meeting, the Chair will be looking for volunteers to serve and get confirmation on the overall framework and

scope of each subcommittee. The following subcommittees could cover the range of focus areas as listed:

- Project and Ordinance Review subcommittee would evaluate ITD and ACHD capital projects and advocate for the interests of the City. This group would be familiar with street standards and review relevant Ordinances throughout the City as needed.
 - Frequency: Quarterly or more often as needed
 - Members:
 - Subcommittee Chair: David Ballard
 - Commissioners: David McKinney & Tracy Hopkins
- School Zone subcommittee is already formed and will continue providing guidance on concerns related to Safe Routes to Schools and school zones.
 - Frequency: Quarterly or more often as needed
 - Members:
 - Subcommittee Chair: Ryan Lancaster
 - Commissioner: Stephen Lewis
 - Youth Commissioner: Joseph Leckie
 - Ex-Officios from WASD, ACHD, MPD
- Development Application subcommittee would review and provide feedback to the Planning Department on development applications without slowing the process down for presentation to City Council.
 - Frequency: Monthly
 - Members:
 - Subcommittee Chair: Tom LeClaire
 - Commissioners: Jared Smith & Walter Steed



SEPTEMBER 10, 2020

MEMORANDUM

TO: Meridian Transportation Commission
CC: City Clerk
FROM: Miranda Carson, Coordination Planner
RE: Transportation Projects Update

Below is a summary/update on some of the transportation and roadway projects City Staff has been involved with recently. This is not an exhaustive list, but rather highlights some of the more important activities that have recently transpired (or are about to occur) in the transportation realm. Staff will be at the September meeting to discuss some of these topics in more detail. Please feel free to contact staff should you have any comments, concerns, or questions on any of these projects. New information is in **bold**.

KEY ACHD PROJECTS:

E. 3rd Street Extension: When ACHD adopted the 2014-2018 Integrated Five Year Work Plan, E. 3rd Street, from Carlton to Fairview, was listed as a project in the Economic Development Program. This project was split into two phases by ACHD – north (phase 2) and south (phase 1) of Carlton. In the adopted ACHD IFYWP, phase 1, between Franklin and Carlton, is in PD.

Meridian Road, Cherry to Ustick: Construction started December 2nd; should be complete **in September**. West side of road is paved and striped and traffic now driving on the west. Asphalt has been removed on the east side of road and clearing and grubbing complete. **Curb and sidewalk are being installed. Paving on the east is anticipated to begin as early as September 8th and last one week. Asphalt paving may cause temporary lane shifts and minor delays.** Project includes widening Meridian Road to 5 lanes with curb, gutter, sidewalk and bike lanes. Central Paving is the contractor; \$5.5M. Here is the project website: http://achdidaho.org/Projects/proj_road_meridian-road-cherry-lane-to-ustick-road.aspx

Linder Road, Franklin to Pine: Project includes the widening of Linder Road to 5 lanes with curb, gutter, sidewalk and bike lanes. Project includes upgrade of the railroad crossing and a Safe Routes to School request; attached sidewalks are being designed. Construction is planned for 2020 to correspond with the upgraded railroad crossing ITD plans to do this year. Knife River is the contractor; cost of \$3M. Traffic swap happened on June 8th. **Sidewalk installation and concrete flatwork are ongoing. Paving was scheduled for late August.** Project should be complete in August. Here is the project website: http://achdidaho.org/Projects/proj_road_linder-road-pine-avenue-to-franklin-road.aspx

Ten Mile Road, McMillan to Chinden: Widen Ten Mile to 5 lanes with curb, gutter, sidewalk and bike lanes. Design will be done with in-house, ACHD resources. Project is planned for construction in 2020, to correspond with the Costco project. Notice to proceed date: November 14, 2019; project should be complete Fall 2020.

Here is the project website: http://achdidaho.org/Projects/proj_road_ten-mile-road-mcmillan-road-to-chinden-boulevard.aspx

Ten Mile Road, Ustick to McMillan: Widen Ten Mile to 5 lanes with curb, gutter, sidewalk and bike lanes. Project includes 2 bridges. Design is in 2018, right-of-way acquisition in 2019, and construction is planned for 2020 in the adopted IFYWP with a cost of \$5.5M., to correspond with the Costco project. Project starts the week of January 6th and should complete in September. **Concrete curb and gutter are nearing completion on the east side. Asphalt paving work began August 27th and will continue through mid-September.** Utility relocation work is on-going. Nellis Drive is closed for the duration of construction. Here is the project website: http://achdidaho.org/Projects/proj_road_ten-mile-road-ustick-road-to-mcmillan-road.aspx

Eagle Road, Amity to Victory: Widen Eagle to 5 lanes with curb, gutter, sidewalk and bike lanes. Design will be done with in-house, ACHD resources. Construction is planned for 2021 in the IFYWP. This project is on the ACHD upcoming project list for August. **This project, coupled with the Eagle/Amity roundabout, is on the ACHD 90 day bid list that was advertised on September 2nd.** Here is the project website: http://achdidaho.org/Projects/proj_road_eagle-road-amity-road-to-victory-road.aspx

Eagle Road/Amity Roundabout: ACHD will construct a 2 lane roundabout with a slip lane at the northwest corner for southbound traffic turning west. Based on the COMPASS Regional Long Range Transportation Model an intersection with this volume and dominate direction of traffic would need to be a signalized intersection or a roundabout with a slip lane to accommodate projected traffic demand. ACHD had entered into a Cooperative Development Agreement (CDA) with Albertsons, but the agreement has expired. **Albertsons has indicated they will be moving forward with a time extension for their project; that will require Council approval.** ACHD will now be doing the construction for this project. These improvements include full improvements, curb, gutter, and sidewalk on their frontages of both roads in addition in re-building the roundabout with two-lanes on each leg. NOTE: There is insufficient right-of-way on Amity west of Eagle to allow the striping of the bike lane on the north side of the road, so it will only be

the two travel lanes westbound, the center turn lane, and one eastbound travel lane until ACHD can program a project there in the future and widen to the south. The west side of Eagle Road will be fully improved including a multi-use path. The dual-lane roundabout is on the ACHD upcoming project list for August. **This project, coupled with road widening to the north, is on ACHD 90 day bid list that was advertised on September 2nd.**

Eagle Road, Lake Hazel to Amity: Widen Eagle to 5 lanes with curb, gutter, sidewalk and bike lanes. Design will be done in 2021. Construction is planned for 2023 in the adopted IFYWP with a cost of \$3.4M.

Lake Hazel and Eagle Signal: Widen and signalize intersection to 4/5 lanes on Eagle and 3/5 lanes on Lake Hazel. Design is happening this calendar year, right-of-way in 2021, and construction in 2023 in the IFYWP. A project kick-off meeting was held on January 8th at ACHD.

Lake Hazel Road, Eagle to Cloverdale: Widen Lake Hazel to 5 lanes with curb, gutter, sidewalk and bike lanes. Design will be done in 2022. Construction is planned for 2024 in the adopted IFYWP with a total cost of \$2.3M.

Locust Grove Road, Victory to Overland: Widen Locust Grove to 5 lanes with curb, gutter, sidewalk and bike lanes. Design is planned for 2019, right-of-way in 2021 and construction in 2022 in the IFYWP with a cost of \$4.07M. PIM held 9/10/2019. The 50% plans shared with Council on October 8th. There is some concern about the cross-section and impacts to neighborhoods. Council discussed this project during a work session on February 25th. A letter was sent to ACHD regarding the design of the bicycle and pedestrian facilities the week of February 24th. Here is the project website: http://achdidaho.org/Projects/proj_road_locust-grove-victory-to-overland.aspx

Locust Grove Road, Fairview to Ustick: Widen Locust Grove to 5 lanes with curb, gutter, sidewalk and bike lanes. Design will be done in 2023 (\$365K); construction is in PD in the adopted IFYWP with a cost of \$3.9M (\$4.56M total cost).

Fairview/Locust Grove Signal: Widen intersection to 8 lanes on Fairview and 7 lanes on Locust Grove, including curb, gutter, sidewalk and bike lanes. Design in 2020, right-of-way acquisition in 2021-22, and construction in 2023 in adopted IFYWP with a cost of \$4.26M. Project kick-off meeting held on October 24th. Project moving into design with consultant help for a 9 x 7 intersection. December 1st consultant should be under contract. Right-of-way acquisition occurring in 2021 and construction planned for 2022. *The scope of this project is being expanded to include widening of Fairview Avenue, between Locust Grove and Eagle Road.* ACHD received a total of 118 online public comments; those are available on the project website. On July 22nd, ACHD Staff presented an update to the ACHD Commission on this project. Unfortunately, they ran out of time and continued the discussion to an upcoming meeting. Here is a link to the project website:

https://www.achdidaho.org/Projects/proj_road_fairview-avenue-locust-grove-road-to-eagle-road.aspx

Overland and Eagle Signal: Widen intersection to 7 lanes on Eagle and 9 on Overland. Project to be done in coordination with ITD. **Design is indicated for 2025 in the IFYWP.** All phases shown as Unfunded in the IFYWP at a cost of \$8.16M.

Victory/Locust Grove Roundabout: Construct a multi-lane roundabout. Design is in 2019, right-of-way acquisition in 2020-**2021**, and construction is planned for **2022-2023** in the adopted IFYWP with a cost of \$4.1M.

Ten Mile/Amity Intersection: A dual-lane roundabout will be the ultimate build-out condition of the intersection. Initially though, a single-lane roundabout will be constructed; designed for easy expansion to a dual-lane. This project is shown for construction in 2021 in the adopted IFYWP. Here is the project website:
http://achdidaho.org/Projects/proj_intersection_ten-mile-road-and-amity-road-roundabout.aspx

Ten Mile Road, Victory to Overland: Widen Ten Mile to 5-lanes with curb, gutter, sidewalk and a Level 3 bike facility. In the IFYWP, this project was designed in 2019, right-of-way in 2020, and construction in 2022 at a cost of \$3.9M. Here is the project website:
http://achdidaho.org/Projects/proj_road_ten-mile-victory-to-overland.aspx

FY19 Capital Maintenance: **Fairview Ave, Eagle Road to Dixie Lane asphalt paving is complete.**

FY20 Capital Maintenance, Phase 1: Locust Grove, Ustick to McMillan *and* Pine, Linder to Meridian. Knife River is the contractor. **Pine Street, Linder Road to Meridian Road concrete work is ongoing and roadway work is scheduled for September.**

Cherry Lane and Meridian Library Pedestrian Crossing: Notice to proceed. \$214,000 cost. **Phase 1 is complete; project completion is anticipated for September.**

Victory Road & Standing Timber Avenue Pedestrian Crossing: **Project is complete.**

ITD PROJECTS

ChindenWest Corridor: This project will result in 4 travel lanes (two in each direction). Widening will take place to the south of the existing alignment and be constructed to accommodate future widening to 6 travel lanes (three in each direction) with high capacity intersections at roads with river crossings. Project website:
www.ITDprojects.org/ChindenWest

ID-16 to Linder: **Black Cat has reopened from Chinden to McMillan Road in both directions. Black Cat was closed since early July as crews made improvements to the Chinden/Black Cat intersection. Black Cat will have a dedicated left-turn lane to Chinden and a center turn lane that connects to the existing three-lane configuration south of Larry Lane.**

On Chinden beginning August 27th, traffic will shift to the southern lanes, from Linder Road to State Highway 16, while crews continue shoulder work on the south side of the roadway and tie-in existing pavement with the new surface on the north. This two-lane (one in each direction) configuration will remain in place until traffic moves to the new four-lane highway in fall 2020.

Locust Grove Road to Eagle Road: Night work will occur periodically between Locust Grove and Eagle Road requiring temporary lane closures and flagger control. Residents can expect vibration, illumination and noise impacts. Traffic will resume to normal construction zone conditions (45 mph) in the morning. Sound wall installation on the south side of the road is ongoing.

Linder Road to Meridian Road: Construction is planned for 2020.

Meridian Road to Locust Grove Road: Construction is planned for 2021.

Star Road to ID-16: Construction is planned for 2024.

Idaho Highway 16 extension, U.S. 20/26 to I-84: ITD has completed the re-evaluation of the 2011 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and preliminary design of Idaho 16. ITD is in the process of acquiring property now and anticipates this will continue through 2021. ITD is investigating funding sources and options. The Idaho Transportation Board has allocated nearly \$90 million to acquire right-of-way for the future highway. The remaining cost to design and construct the corridor is estimated to be \$350 million (in 2019 dollars). Project website: www.ITDprojects.org/Idaho16

SH-69, Kuna to Meridian Traffic Study: ITD has completed enough technical evaluation to now present a proposal to the public. ITD hosted an online public engagement from June 29 – July 20 to solicit feedback on the work to date. ITD will consider the feedback and make appropriate updates to the plan before presenting the plan for concurrence to the Cities of Meridian and Kuna and ACHD. Here is a link to the project website: <https://itdprojects.org/projects/id69corridor/>

PATHWAYS

Rail with Trail: In the fall of 2012, the City applied for an \$85,000 grant to study the Rail with Trail (RWT) pathway crossing of streets (7 crossings; Black Cat to Locust Grove). Currently, there are funds for pathway construction in the Regional Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) in 2022.

Five Mile Creek Pathway: The City applied for a COMPASS grant to design and construct a portion of the Five Mile Creek pathway near the wastewater recovery facility. Parametrix has prepared the project development report which should be available on the COMPASS website in the near future. The City recently informed COMPASS that we will pursue completion of this project with local funds instead of Federal.

North Meridian Neighborhood Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan: ACHD and several partners including the City have been working on developing a plan to help improve walking and bicycling routes in North Meridian neighborhoods. The North Meridian Neighborhood Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan will be presented to the ACHD Commissioners for possible adoption on Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at 6pm. Here is a link to the project site:

https://www.achdidaho.org/Projects/proj_program_north-meridian-neighborhood-bicycle-and-pedestrian-plan.aspx

MDC / OTHER PROJECTS

Harvest Lifestyle Service: A public transit service focusing on seniors and persons with disabilities has been operating since December 2016. This Lifestyle Service concept, which includes two service zones, was presented to the Council in July of 2016. The service is operated by Harvest Church. An enhancement to the City Budget for FY2019 was approved by the Council for a third Harvest van. The third van is operational. *Staff will invite VRT Staff to an upcoming TC meeting to discuss this service and possible expansion.*

Transit: VRT has won a grant for electric buses. Staff from the City and VRT are coordinating infrastructure, capital and service needs for a route from the Ten Mile Interchange area through downtown to The Village. The launch is anticipated for in early 2021. The TC will be actively involved in developing outreach plan, stops/alignment, and other service considerations (i.e. – time of day operation, amenities/shelters, etc.) (This route is part of the ValleyConnect 2.0 plan.)

Eagle Road Bike/Ped Project Development: COMPASS has contracted with Keller Associates to further develop a bicycle and pedestrian plan for the corridor. The boundaries of the project are Overland and Chinden.

Shared Vehicles: On Friday, December 13th a Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued for shared vehicle (e-scooters) services for 2020. The RFP was sent to six known, potential vendors/contractors. A pre-proposal conference was held on Friday, December 27th; no one attended in person. Proposals are due prior to 4:00 pm on Friday, January 10, 2020. One response was received, from Slidr LLC. On January 23rd a 7-member scoring team met to discuss the proposal. The scoring team recommended that City Council not enter into a contract with any vendor at this time due to all of the construction and lack of destinations currently. The scoring team further recommended that the MDBA continue to monitor the climate and recommend back to the City when they believe another RFP should be issued. On January 28th, these recommendations were presented to the Mayor and City Council. The Council largely concurred with the scoring team's recommendation and further recommended that Staff be part of discussions around a regional management model for micro mobility.

ACHD Integrated Five-Year Work Program: The 2020-2024 IFYWP can be found here: <http://achdidaho.org/Departments/PlansProjects/IFYWP.aspx>

The ACHD Commission will consider adoption of the 2021-2025 Integrated Five Year Work Plan (IFYWP) on September 23, 2020. More information can be found here:

http://www.achdidaho.org/Departments/PlansProjects/IFYWP_2125draft.aspx.



MEMO TO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Agenda Topic on the Transportation Commission Agenda

From: Caleb Hood, Planning Division Manager **Meeting Date:** September 14, 2020
Presenter: Caleb Hood **Estimated Time:** 15 minutes
Topic: Shared Vehicles

Recommended Action:

Provide direction to Staff as we address the topic of shared vehicles with the City Council. Should the City proceed with releasing an RFP for shared vehicle vendors for 2021?

Background:

On Friday, December 13th, 2019 the City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for shared vehicle (e-scooters) services for 2020. The RFP was sent to six known, potential vendors/contractors. One response was received. On January 23rd a 7-member scoring team met to discuss the proposal. The scoring team recommended that City Council not enter into a contract with any vendor at this time due to all of the construction and lack of destinations currently. The scoring team further recommended that the MDBA continue to monitor the climate and recommend back to the City when they believe another RFP should be issued. On January 28th, these recommendations were presented to the Mayor and City Council. The Council largely concurred with the scoring team's recommendation and further recommended that Staff be part of discussions around a regional management model for micro mobility.

In August, City Staff and MDBA President Lindsey Bowshire, met with representatives of Spin. Spin is currently one of the vendors in Boise and is interested in doing a pilot project in Meridian. Their initial proposal is that the pilot not include any fees. Planning Staff discussed this potential pilot with Legal Staff. Staff's perspective is that the City's Ordinances and processes are not set up for a pilot, but rather a competitive proposal process with up to two vendors being awarded contracts. Staff would like the TC's recommendation on shared vehicle vendor options for 2021. This input will then be shared with the Council.

Note that Spin has been invited to the October TC meeting to address the Commission on their pilot proposal, so a recommendation to the Council could be delayed a month if needed. Lindsey Bowshire should also be at your October meeting to discuss this topic as well as the follow-up regarding alleyways from earlier this year. City Staff does not believe that the MDBA has discussed this topic recently and a deferral of a motion should allow the MDBA to discuss if they believe it is a good time to issue another RFP.



MEMO TO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

From: Caleb Hood, Community Development **Meeting Date:** September 14, 2020
Presenter: Caleb Hood **Estimated Time:** 5 minutes
Topic: Staff Communications

Below are relevant correspondences received by City Staff since the August TC meeting.

Mr. Rodgers,

Thank you for your email. All public roadways in Meridian are managed by Ada County Highway District. They have a form on their website titled "Traffic Investigation Report". This is a great first step toward requesting consideration for permanent or temporary roadway changes. I am also copying Caleb Hood, AICP, Planning Division Manager for the City of Meridian on this email. Mr. Hood works with the Transportation Commission, an appointed collection of volunteers who meet monthly to discuss and focus on roadways throughout the city. If there are additional recommendations he may have, he will also reply.

Please let me know if I can assist further. I hope this information helps begin a process of getting your concerns addressed. Have a great weekend.

Chris Johnson

City Clerk | City of Meridian

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From: Dylan Rodgers <flyingpickle13@gmail.com >
Sent: Saturday, September 5, 2020 10:07 AM
To: City Clerk <CityClerk@meridiancity.org>
Subject: We need speed bumps on 8th street in meridian

I live on 8th street in meridian, and we really need some speed bumps. People go up our road at speeds at 35 to 40 miles an hour in a 25 mile an hour zone. It's also right next to the middle school and kids walk on that road every morning. Someone is going to end up getting hit and seriously injured so something should probably be done. Thanks

Jerry,

As discussed on the phone, I'd recommend you start with John Wasson at ACHD regarding your concern about cut-through traffic and speeding on Cherry Avenue. The City does have a Transportation Commission you could also address, but any "solution" will require ACHD buy-off. I've copied John on this email so he knows to expect your call; here is his contact info:

John D. Wasson

Assistant Traffic Engineer

Ada County Highway District

 (208) 387-6151

 (208) 387-6391

jwasson@achdidaho.org

Let me know if you'd like to further discuss.

Regards,

Caleb

From: Chase Creange <outlook_B6A52EB30F186A7E@outlook.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 01, 2020 5:03 PM
To: City Clerk <CityClerk@meridiancity.org>
Subject: Speeding/running stop signs.

To whom it concerns,

I have sent an email to the police department a month ago regarding on what we can do about speeding and running stop signs in our neighborhood. No one has gotten back to me. I am running out of options of who to contact that can help me. We have children in the neighborhood and worry something is going to happen to a child if something is not done. My daughter a month ago almost got hit. The other neighbors are fed up also and want something done about this issue. I would appreciate it if you can contact me regarding this issue.

Chase Creange

Caleb, Erika and Bill: **Great News!** We closed the Bond Sale today to finance the STAR Road Work as planned in conjunction with our Linder Village project and are ready to proceed.

First, let us say THANK YOU for all your help and patience along the way. Obviously the COVID pandemic caused us an unanticipated delay but we kept pushing and ultimately got it done. We are excited to proceed with the road work project and anticipate closing on the remaining right of way and easements in the next few days. Our Construction Manager (Russell Corporation) has been working closely with our contractor (Idaho Materials) to prepare a revised schedule which they believe is reasonable and addresses the weather concerns we have discussed previously. We believe substantial completion is projected for the end of May 2021.

For your review, we have attached copies of the (i) Performance and Payment Bond required as per Section 3.2.1 of the STAR Agreement (and originals will be provided for signature by ITD and ACHD at your direction) and (ii) Bond Sale Process, Funding & Assurance Letter (as required in Section 3.4 of the STAR Agreement) as received from KeyBanc Capital Markets regarding the Available Funds and Financial Assurance specifically for the Linder Village Star Road Work project as described in the Star Agreement. As you will note, the funds on deposit in the Project Fund are specific to the STAR Road Work project costs and can only be used for this work as described in the Star Agreement.

Thanks again and let us know if you have any questions.

Best,

Dave and Joe

High Desert Development Linder Village, LLC

Caleb,

This is one of those subdivisions that allowed CO's to be issued due to an Accela error. Planning has not signed-off on CO issuance for this development however, we are releasing CO's to homebuilders on an individual basis due to this error.

Bill Parsons, AICP | Planning Supervisor

City of Meridian | Community Development Dept.

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From: Caleb Hood <chood@meridiancity.org>
Sent: Thursday, August 6, 2020 3:48 PM
To: Sonya Allen <sallen@meridiancity.org>
Cc: Bill Parsons <bparsons@meridiancity.org>
Subject: RE: Chinden Noise Issue Follow up

How are people living in this subdivision if we haven't signed off on the improvements?

Caleb

From: Sonya Allen <sallen@meridiancity.org>
Sent: Thursday, August 6, 2020 2:57 PM
To: Jonathan Walker <jonathanwalker@gmail.com>
Cc: Caleb Hood <chood@meridiancity.org>; David Miles <dmiles@meridiancity.org>; Bill Parsons <bparsons@meridiancity.org>
Subject: RE: Chinden Noise Issue Follow up

Jonathan,

I've reached out to the Developer on this issue. As the Planning Division has not yet signed off on this phase of development, I don't believe it's a Code Enforcement issue; the developer will need to complete the improvements per the approved plans prior to Planning's sign-off on this development.

Thanks,
Sonya

From: Jonathan Walker <jonathanwalker@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 6, 2020 12:46 PM
To: Sonya Allen <sallen@meridiancity.org>
Cc: Caleb Hood <chood@meridiancity.org>; David Miles <dmiles@meridiancity.org>; Bill Parsons <bparsons@meridiancity.org>
Subject: Re: Chinden Noise Issue Follow up

Good afternoon Sonya,

Thank you so much for assisting with this, I think this is actually starting to get to the root of the issue. What is shown and described in these drawings in documents is not what has been installed behind our homes. There is no 4' berm that the fence sits on top of, and there certainly is not a 54' distance between the roadway and the fenceline (both of which it looks like contributed to the noise abatement efficacy). I think these drawings are in line with what residents had expected to be built, but clearly has not been done. I will bring these documents along with some photographs as the fenceline currently stands to better illustrate for the city council what the issue is. I don't

know if Meridian has a code enforcement office, but if they do I would also like to submit this information to them to show the disparities between what was approved and what was actually built. Thanks again for your time, I imagine this type of research is difficult and I would not have been able to locate it on my own.

Very Respectfully,
Jonathan Walker

On Thu, Aug 6, 2020, 11:34 AM Sonya Allen <sallen@meridiacity.org> wrote:

Jonathan,

Your property is on Lot 31, Block 23, Bainbridge Subdivision No. 7. The frontage section for your lot is "B", shown below & attached. The lots in this section sit 6' below grade of the property to the north where the highway is located. The approved plans for this area depict a 6' tall retaining wall with a 4' tall berm and 6' tall wood fence on top of the berm in the street buffer along Chinden. This plan, substantiated by an analysis by a sound engineer, was determined to meet the standards in City Code (UDC 11-3H-4D) for sound attenuation for residential uses along a state highway.

If you have any additional questions, please let me know.

Thanks,

Sonya

From: Jonathan Walker <jonathanwalker@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 5, 2020 4:58 PM
To: Sonya Allen <sallen@meridiacity.org>
Subject: Re: Chinden Noise Issue Follow up

Good afternoon,

My adress is 4102 w silver river st. Thanks for all of your help

On Wed, Aug 5, 2020, 4:49 PM Sonya Allen <sallen@meridiacity.org> wrote:

Hi Jonathan,

A condition of approval of the preliminary plat for Bainbridge Subdivision (PP-13-011) required compliance with the standards listed in UDC 11-3H-4D for traffic noise abatement from Chinden Boulevard (SH 20/26).

Can you please give me your address so I can see which phase of the subdivision you're located in and check on the specific noise abatement for that phase?

Thanks,

Sonya

From: Jonathan Walker <jonathanwalker@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 5, 2020 9:31 AM
To: Caleb Hood <chood@meridiancity.org>
Cc: David Miles <dmiles@meridiancity.org>; Sonya Allen <sallen@meridiancity.org>
Subject: Re: Chinden Noise Issue Follow up

As I told the commission, I am just asking them to enforce the city ordinance as it is written. I think that is reasonable. Thanks again for the help.

On Wed, Aug 5, 2020, 9:13 AM Caleb Hood <chood@meridiancity.org> wrote:

Jonathan,

I recently asked the project planner, Sonya Allen (copied on this email) to look into this issue. It will probably take a while for her to do the research on what was approved with the Bainbridge project. Sonya, please reply to this group once you have done the research and found the applicable documentation regarding Bainbridge approvals.

It is your prerogative to address the Council, Jonathan. Like the Commission though I'm not quite sure what you are asking the Council to do?

Regards,

Caleb

From: Jonathan Walker <jonathanwalker@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 5, 2020 9:00 AM
To: Caleb Hood <chood@meridiancity.org>
Subject: Chinden Noise Issue Follow up

Good morning Mr. Hood,

I just wanted to follow up with you after Monday's Transportation Commission meeting, regarding the noise abatement issue involving Bainbridge and the Chinden Blvd expansion. I was wondering if you had found any further information that would help explain the lack of a barrier between our neighborhood and Chinden, as you explained sometimes there is a purpose for certain codes not being enforced. I intend to address the city council next Tuesday, and I just wanted to make sure that I had the most current and accurate information on the issue, so if you could pass along any additional relevant information it would be greatly appreciated. Thanks again for your help on this issue, and I greatly appreciate the time that the commission took to listen to my neighbor and my concerns on Monday.

Very Respectfully,

Jonathan Walker