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**DOWNTOWN PARKING, TRANSPORTATION AND STREETScape
SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES
April 15, 2015 at 4pm
Meridian City Hall, Council Conference Room**

Attendees: Dan Basalone, Cody Homan, Brian McClure, Justin Lucas, David Ballard and Margaret Havey

**Thanks to special note taker Dan Basalone!*

1. Pine Avenue Update [ACHD]

Cody discussed options for the width of the parking, buffer and sidewalks between Meridian and 6th Street. It seemed to be to narrow the sidewalk or the parking by a foot if needed to avoid ACHD having to negotiate a wider easement in case the sidewalk and the private property don't align and shaving is needed. If the buffer is wide enough, we won't need the expense of tree barriers. Also, ACHD will install conduit for future historic lighting. We also stressed the need to follow the Streetscape Plan that MDC and the City approved a year or so ago with tweaks if necessary. Cody will come back to our next meeting for an update and timeline...and will come before our Board as needed.

2. VRT and Transit Update [Kelli Fairless]

Margaret Havey represented Kelli. She reported that Fun Bus ridership is increasing but still not at a really good level. They will be doing a marketing outreach soon and I expressed the need to involve the Mayor's Youth Council in some kind of ongoing manner due to the constant turnover of students due to high school graduation, etc. Also, shared the walkabout plan and indicated that would be an opportunity for us to distribute Fun Bus flyers to downtown businesses. Keith was concerned about the \$60,000 expense but stressed the need to complete the cycle to better assess annual ridership.

3. Bike Map Discussion [All]

Margaret solicited ideas for the map. We stressed the need for it to be a City of Meridian map with a reference to the ACHD countywide map. Also, discussed locations to be stressed on the map including restrooms, bike parking, key destinations, etc. She will work with city staff on and ACHD so that she isn't reinventing wheels. With all that has already been done in regards to bike path mapping, she is confident that it will not be difficult to put one together soon. She can report back at next month's meeting.

4. UPRR Meetings [Ashley]

Shared the information provided as to the upcoming meeting and stressed the importance of these meetings especially as pertains to bike/walking paths and future intercity connections.

