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DOWNTOWN PARKING, TRANSPORTATION AND STREETScape
SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES
March 18, 2015 at 4pm
Meridian City Hall, Council Conference Room

Attendees: Ashley Squyres, Dan Basalone, Keith Bird, Kelli Fairless, Cody Homan, Justin Lucas, Eric Jensen, David Ballard, Brian McClure, Caleb Hood, Tammy de Weerd

1. Main Street Island/Historical Lighting Project Update [Squyres]

Ashley reviewed the project and the attached project schedule with the committee. She also outlined the public outreach efforts to business owners and other stakeholders in downtown.

2. Pine Avenue Update [ACHD]

ACHD and the City updated the committee on additional work in Pine Avenue that is desired by the Public Works Department. Work would include upgrading sewer, water and irrigation infrastructure which would allow for updating of lines several decades old and would allow for development of parcels along Pine that currently have sewer challenges. Discussion ensued as to the on-going scoping and design efforts and when to include this additional work into the overall project design. Discussion included as to when for ACHD to come back before the City Council and MDC Board for a conversation which led to the conclusion that a joint City Council/MDC meeting would be preferable once the public involvement meetings occur later in 2015.

3. VRT and Transit Update [Kelli Fairless]

Kelli discussed the recent worksession with the City Council and discussed the recommendations and next steps. It was determined that the FY16 budget may not be the right time to try to expand transit services in Meridian. VRT will begin giving a Transit 101 workshop to elected and appointed officials beginning this summer. The goal will be to help educate as to the return on investment for public transit. VRT will be reviewing and looking to restructure the overall west Ada and Canyon County systems to determine what will work best for Meridian. Mayor de Weerd stated that the issue for Meridian is funding and the transportation agency for Ada County, ACHD, needs to be part of the conversation. The Saturday Fun Bus is not doing well in terms of ridership. An additional outreach push for the route will begin next month.

4. Bike Map Update [Squyres]

Ashley handed out the newly updated Ada County Bike Map that was created by ACHD. ACHD has shared the GIS files for the map so that MDC can create a map specific to Meridian. VRT has offered to help with these map modifications and will have Margaret Havey from VRT attend the next committee meeting to determine what modifications may be needed. The goal is to create a map that can be placed in kiosks, created as a flyer, and placed on appropriate

websites.