MEETING AGENDA
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Wednesday, February 08, 2017, 7:30am
Meridian City Hall, Conference Room A
33 East Broadway Avenue - Meridian, Idaho

1. Call Meeting to Order [Escobar]:

2. Roll-call Attendance [Escobar]:
   _____Jim Escobar – Chairman
   _____Dan Basalone – Vice-Chairman
   _____Dave Winder – Secretary/Treasurer
   _____Keith Bird – Member
   _____Callie Zamzow - Member
   _____Tammy de Weerd – Member
   _____Nathan Mueller – Member
   _____Rob McCarvel – Member
   _____Rick Ritter – Member
   _____Todd Lakey – Counsel
   _____Ashley Squyres – Administrator

3. Confirm Agenda [Escobar]:

4. Approve Consent Agenda [Escobar]: These items will be approved by a single vote unless a Board member requests to remove an item for specific discussion and/or action.
   a. Approve Minutes of the January 25, 2017 Regular Meeting
   b. Approve January 2017 Administrator’s Report

ACTION AND PRESENTATION ITEMS

5. Consideration of Approval of the Phase One Owner Participation Agreement with Brighton Corporation in the Ten Mile Urban Renewal District and Corresponding Resolution 16-063 [Lakey]

6. Consideration of Approval of a Development Agreement with Novembrewhisky, LLC and Corresponding Resolution 16-064 [Lakey]

7. Consideration of Approval for Funding of the Meridian Arts Commission’s Request for Traffic Box Art Wraps for FY2017 and Corresponding Resolution 17-002 [Squyres/Lakey]

8. Consideration of Approval of the Downtown Kiosk Design by Rizen Creative [Zamzow]
DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. Downtown Parking, Transportation, and Streetscape Committee Update [Basalone]

10. Ten Mile Urban Renewal District Update [Squyres/Lakey]

11. Upcoming Committee Meetings [Squyres]

12. Counsel's Report [Lakey]: Counsel Lakey will review legal topics that need to be brought to the attention of the Board.

13. Administrator's Report [Squyres]: Administrator Squyres will review topics that need to be brought to the attention of the Board.

14. Chairman's Report

15. Public Comment

16. Adjourn the Meeting [Escobar]:

Executive Session per Idaho State Code 74-206: The Board may go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code Section 74-206 with the specific applicable code subsection cited as part of the motion to go into executive session.

Regular meetings of the Meridian Development Corporation Board of Commissioners are scheduled for the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 am and the fourth Wednesday at 4:00 pm in the North Conference Room at the Meridian City Hall.
MEETING MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Wednesday, January 25, 2017, 4:00pm
Meridian City Hall, Conference Room A
33 East Broadway Avenue - Meridian, Idaho

1. CallMeeting to Order [Escobar]:

At 3:58pm, Chairman Escobar called the meeting to order.

2. Roll-call Attendance [Escobar]:

| X | Jim Escobar – Chairman          | X | Keith Bird – Member             |
| X | Dan Basalone – Vice-Chairman    | X | Callie Zamzow - Member          |
| X | Dave Winder- Secretary/Treasurer| O | Tammy de Weerd – Member         |
|   |                                 | O | Nathan Mueller – Member         |
| X |                                 | X | Rob McCarvel – Member           |
| X |                                 | X | Rick Ritter – Member            |
| X | Todd Lakey – Counsel            | X | Ashley Squyres – Administrator  |

3. Confirm Agenda [Escobar]:

A motion was made by Commissioner Winder and seconded by Commissioner Bird to confirm the agenda.

ALL AYES.

4. Approve Consent Agenda [Escobar]: These items will be approved by a single vote unless a Board member requests to remove an item for specific discussion and/or action.

   a. Approve Minutes of the January 11, 2017 Regular Meeting
   b. Approve December 2016 Financials and Notice of Bills Paid

A motion was made by Commissioner Winder and seconded by Commissioner McCarvel to approve the consent agenda.

ALL AYES.

ACTION AND PRESENTATION ITEMS

5. Legislative Update [Scott Turlington]

Scott Turlington gave a legislative update to the board. A bill was printed last week that is a technical modification to the urban renewal legislation from last year. The bill will fix an
incorrect reference to another code section. At this time, Scott is unaware of any other urban renewal legislation. He did mention there are a large number of tax bills so he will ensure that none impact urban renewal agencies.

6. Consideration of Approval of the Phase One Owner Participation Agreement with Brighton Corporation in the Ten Mile Urban Renewal District and Corresponding Resolution 16-063 [Lakey]

Counsel Lakey provided an update to the board. He stated that the agreement is mostly complete but there is one area that he is continuing to work through with Brighton Corporation and that is Ten Mile Crossing is not the only landowner party to the agreement. Other entities, mostly Brighton Corporation related, need to agree to the improvements and to Ten Mile Crossing receiving the TIF dollars once generated. He reviewed Exhibits 3 and 4 and discussed how the estimated costs are in 2016 dollars and that these numbers may go up depending on how far away the improvements may occur but they will be reviewed for reasonableness. He discussed the needed improvements outside of the Ten Mile Crossing. Brighton Corporation would like to see a 5% financing cost applied to all of the reimbursements, which is allowed. This has been included in all of the estimates before the Board. Commissioner Bird expressed concern regarding the other property owners. Jon Wardle from Brighton Corporation stated he is not concerned as these same property owners had to sign the agreements to establish the new district in 2016. Chairman Escobar asked how Brighton came to their land values. Jon stated that this was based on the recent ITD purchase on the Chururri property at $4.50-sf. Lakey stated that they will work through this last item and will plan to bring back the final document to the board on February 08.

7. Consideration of Approval of a Development Agreement with Novembrewhisky, LLC and Corresponding Resolution 16-064 [Lakey]

Chairman Escobar recused himself on this matter due to conflict of interest. Vice-Chairman Basalone took over the meeting. Josh Evarts provided an update to the board as to where things stand. He apologized for the delay but there have been personal matters to attend to. The intended schedule is to begin demolition on June 01, 2017. The children’s theatre will move to Cole Valley Christian during the summer months. He stated he has picked an architect and builder for the project and has his financing in place. He is working through the final numbers and will be back in front of the board on February 08.

8. Consideration of Approval for Funding of the Meridian Youth Farmer’s Market for FY2017 and Corresponding Resolution 17-001 [Squyres/Lakey]

Counsel Lakey reviewed the agreement with the board. It is consistent with the board’s direction at the previous meeting. Becky Breshears answered questions from Commissioner Bird who was unable to attend the January 11 board meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Basalone and seconded by Commissioner Zamzow to approve the agreement.

ALL AYES.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. Public Relations Committee Update [Mueller]

With Commissioner Mueller’s absence, Squyres reviewed the meeting notes with the board.

10. Valley Regional Transit Board Meeting Update [Ritter]
Commissioner Ritter, who represents MDC on the VRT board, provided an update from the recent board meeting which focused on Valley Conect 2.0.

11. **Ten Mile Urban Renewal District Update [Squyres/Lakey]**

There was nothing further to report.

12. **Upcoming Committee Meetings [Squyres]**

Squyres reviewed the forthcoming meetings with the board.

13. **Counsel’s Report [Lakey]**: Counsel Lakey will review legal topics that need to be brought to the attention of the Board.

No report.

14. **Administrator’s Report [Squyres]**: Administrator Squyres will review topics that need to be brought to the attention of the Board.

No report.

15. **Chairman’s Report**

No report.

16. **Public Comment**

No public comment.

17. **Adjourn the Meeting [Escobar]**:

At 4:53pm, a motion was made by Commissioner Bird and seconded by Commissioner Winder to adjourn the meeting.

ALL AYES.

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Jim Escobar, Chairman
To: Board Members, Meridian Development Corporation  
From: Ashley Squyres, Administrator  
Date: February 01, 2017  
RE: January 2017 Administrator Activities  

This is intended to be a brief summary of the January 2017 Administrator activities conducted by AF Public Solutions, LLC. Included within the project summaries is work completed during the month.

Notable Items from January 2017:

- **Executive Committee Meetings:** Coordination of and attendance at Executive Committee meetings with discussions of on-going issues and priorities along with setting of the agendas for the Board meetings.

- **Board Meetings:** Planning for, coordination of and attendance at two [2] regular board meetings.

- **Property:** Coordination with Meridian Cycles on finalizing the Façade Improvement Grant and Owner Participation Agreement for their new location. On-going updates and coordination with Josh Evarts re: 703 and 713 North Main Street. On-going coordination with PC Maintenance and tenants of 703 and 713 North Main Street and COMPASS/VRT regarding snow removal issues. Coordination with contractors and tenants in 703 and 713 North Main Street regarding roof leakage issues. On-going coordination with Forsgren Associates regarding the Nine Mile Floodplain Study.

- **Downtown Parking, Transportation and Streetscape:** Coordination of and attendance at one [1] committee meeting. On-going coordination with Keller Associates as to the lighting study for Phase II of Main Street. On-going coordination with ACHD and the City on the estimated Pine Avenue costs. Coordination with Sean Kelly pertaining to unused CDBG funds for sidewalk improvements.

- **Public Relations:** Coordination of and attendance at one [1] committee meeting. Review of marketing material narratives. Attendance at a separate meeting with Commissioner Mueller to discuss the property one-sheet. On-going management of the
MDC and MDBA Facebook pages. Update of the MDC website as necessary and coordination with Tribute Media as to modifications needed to the site.

- **Ten Mile URD**: On-going communications and coordination with Brighton Corporation and legal counsel pertaining to the January 25 board meeting.

- **Wayfinding and Signage**: On-going coordination with Rizen Creative on the modifications to the Destination Downtown banners and the kiosk panels.

- **Downtown Meridian Business Association**: Attendance at one [1] board meeting and one [1] general membership meeting along with a follow up meeting with the Vice Chairman.

- **Urban Renewal Legislative Affairs**: On-going communication with MDC lobbyist as to his on-going discussions with legislators as to 2017 expectations.

- **Other Meetings/Communications**: Coordinated and attended Leadership Meridian Government Day. Meeting with Saul Hernandez of Zion’s Bank regarding becoming more involved in downtown Meridian activities. Meeting with the Executive Director of The Closet non-profit group. Meeting with Scott Nicholson regarding the McFadden properties.
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
FOR CONTRIBUTION TO TRAFFIC BOX COMMUNITY ART PROJECT

This MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR CONTRIBUTION TO TRAFFIC BOX COMMUNITY ART PROJECT ("Agreement") is made this 8th day of February, 2017 ("Effective Date"), by and between the City of Meridian, a municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of Idaho ("City"), and Meridian Development Corporation, an urban renewal agency organized under the laws of the State of Idaho ("MDC").

WHEREAS, City and MDC desire that public art will be a component of the Meridian community and to that end, City has undertaken the Traffic Box Community Art Project ("Project"), within which artwork created by community members will be transformed into vinyl wraps and used to cover traffic control boxes at various locations throughout Meridian, with permission from the property owner Ada County Highway District ("ACHD"), as a benefit to the public;

WHEREAS, the Meridian Arts Commission intends to work with artists, ACHD, and MDC to install traffic box Project wraps in fiscal year 2016-2017; and

WHEREAS, MDC is willing to contribute to City up to five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) toward expenses related to the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged and agreed, and in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein contained, the Parties agree as follows:

I. CITY’S RESPONSIBILITIES.

A. Project wrap installation. Between February 8, 2017 and September 30, 2017, City agrees to invest MDC’s contribution in the installation of art wraps on Meridian Road and Main Street between Fairview and Franklin Roads. The parties intend these funds to be used on Project boxes at the some or all of the following intersections:

  Meridian & Fairview
  Meridian & Maple
  Meridian & Pine
  Meridian & Bower
  Meridian & Franklin
  Main & Franklin
  Main & Broadway
  Main & “Flatbread”
  Main & Pine
  Main & Fairview

B. Selection of artists, traffic boxes. City shall include MDC in the process of selecting artists and/or artwork for transfer onto the Project boxes that are the subject of this Agreement. City shall include MDC in the process of selecting the traffic boxes for the Project wraps. All Project boxes considered and selected must be located within the
Meridian Urban Renewal Area. Regarding decisions related to selection of artists, artwork, or specific installation locations, City shall duly consider MDC input and shall make a reasonable effort to come to consensus; however, City shall be responsible for the final decision regarding selection of artists, artwork, or specific installation locations.

C. Acknowledgment of sponsorship. If City decides to acknowledge sponsors of wraps installed as part of Project, City shall acknowledge MDC on the Project wraps that are the subject of this Agreement.

D. Invoice MDC. City shall remit to MDC an invoice for each Project box, with receipts for payments rendered to vendor(s) for the Project wraps that are the subject of this Agreement, and shall request reimbursement from MDC to City for such payments, in a total amount not to exceed five thousand dollars ($5,000.00).

II. MDC’s Responsibilities.

A. Reimbursement. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of each of City’s invoices, MDC shall provide payment to City in the amount of each invoice, with the total amount sought for reimbursement not to exceed five thousand dollars ($5,000.00).

B. Logo. MDC shall provide City with a copy of its logo, in digital format, for use on sponsorship acknowledgment, if any, on the Project wraps that are the subject of this Agreement.

C. Appropriation. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, MDC’s obligations under this Agreement to provide payment to City as described herein shall be subject to and dependent upon appropriations being made by the MDC governing board for such purpose.

III. General Terms.

A. Term. This Agreement begins immediately upon execution and shall remain in effect through September 30, 2017.

B. Notice. Notice required to be provided by either of the parties under this Agreement shall be in writing and be deemed communicated when mailed by United States Mail, addressed as follows:

City: City of Meridian
      City Attorney’s Office
      33 E. Broadway Avenue
      Meridian ID 83642

MDC: Meridian Development Corporation
      Ashley Squyres, Administrator
      104 East Fairview Avenue #239
      Meridian ID 83642

Either party may change its address for the purpose of this paragraph by giving formal notice of such change to the other in the manner herein provided.

C. Entire agreement; modification. This Agreement embodies the entire agreement and understanding between the parties pertaining to the subject matter of this Agreement, and
supersedes all prior agreements, understandings, negotiations, representations, and discussions, whether verbal or written, of the parties pertaining to that subject matter. The Agreement may not be changed, amended, or superseded unless by means of writing executed by both Parties hereto.

D. **Termination.** Either party may terminate this Agreement in whole, or in part, due to convenience, nonappropriation, or when either or both parties agree that the continuation of the project is not in the parties’ best interest, by providing thirty (30) days written notice. If MDC is the terminating party, City shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for payments made for services properly performed by City to the date of termination.

E. **Indemnification.** To the fullest extent permitted by law and by Article VIII, section 4 of the Idaho Constitution, City agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless MDC and its officers, agents, consultants, and employees from and against any and all liability, claims, losses, actions, or judgments, costs and fees, including any costs and attorney’s fees incurred therein, for damages, losses, or injury to entities, persons or property for any act, error, or omission arising out of or in any way connected with the activities and programs described herein and/or the activities of City and its officers, employees, contractors, or agents related to or connected with this Agreement.

F. **Severability.** If any part of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable, such holding will not affect the validity or enforceability of any other part of this Agreement so long as the remainder of the Agreement is reasonably capable of completion. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement shall not affect the other provisions, and this Agreement shall be construed in all respects as if any invalid or unenforceable provision were omitted.

G. **Applicable Law.** The Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Idaho and jurisdiction for any disputes arising hereunder shall be in the Fourth Judicial District, Ada County, State of Idaho.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on this 8th day of February, 2017.

MERIDIAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION:

_________________________________ Attest: _____________________________

__________________________, Chairman ____________________________, Secretary

CITY OF MERIDIAN:
Tammy de Weerd, Mayor

Attest:

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Jaycee Holman, City Clerk
RESOLUTION NO. 17-002

BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY OF MERIDIAN, IDAHO, A/K/A THE MERIDIAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY OF MERIDIAN, IDAHO, APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT ATTACHED HERETO AS “EXHIBIT A” (“AGREEMENT”) FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE TRAFFIC BOX ART PROJECT BETWEEN THE MERIDIAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, AN IDAHO MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (“CITY”); AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OR VICE-CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY; AUTHORIZING ANY TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE PROJECT MANAGER TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTION REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

THIS RESOLUTION, made on the date hereinafter set forth by the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Meridian, Idaho, an independent public body corporate and politic, authorized under the authority of the Idaho Urban Renewal Law of 1965, as amended, Chapter 20, Title 50, Idaho Code, a duly created and functioning urban renewal agency of the City of Meridian, Idaho, hereinafter referred to as the “MDC.”

WHEREAS, the MDC, an independent public body, corporate and politic, is an urban renewal agency created by and existing under the authority of and pursuant to the 'Idaho Urban Renewal Law of 1965, being Idaho Code title 50, chapter 20, as amended and supplemented, and the Local Economic Development Act of 1988, being Idaho Code, Title 50, Chapter 29; as amended and supplemented (collectively the "Act");

WHEREAS, the MDC was established by Resolution No. 01-367 of the City Council of the City of Meridian, Idaho (hereinafter the "City Council"), adopted July 24, 2001;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Meridian, Idaho (the "City"), on October 8, 2002, after notice duly published, conducted a public hearing on the Meridian Revitalization Plan (the "Revitalization Plan");

RESOLUTION NO. 17-002 Traffic Box Art Wrap Project
WHEREAS, following said public hearing the City adopted its Ordinance No. 02-987 on December 3, 2002, approving the Revitalization Plan and making certain findings;

WHEREAS, the MDC and the CITY and the Meridian Arts Commission desire to cooperate and work together regarding the Traffic Box Art Project;

WHEREAS, the parties recognize that this project will bring people into the Meridian downtown area, including youth and their parents, and help promote and support local businesses and economic development;

WHEREAS, the CITY is acting on behalf of the Arts Commission which organizations and implements the Traffic Box Art Project;

WHEREAS, the MDC is willing to contribute financial support to the CITY specifically for the Traffic Box Art Project in an amount not to exceed five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) to be used to help cover the expense for Project wraps;

WHEREAS, the MDC recognizes the benefits of the arts in promoting, revitalizing and maintaining economic development and commercial activity in the urban renewal district;

WHEREAS, Agency staff recommends approval and execution by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman and Secretary of the AGREEMENT between the MDC and City;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners finds it is in the best public interest to approve the AGREEMENT.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY OF MERIDIAN, IDAHO, A/K/A THE MERIDIAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1:** That the above statements are true and correct

**Section 2:** That the Board confirms and ratifies the AGREEMENT between the MDC and the CITY.

**Section 3:** That the Board executing the AGREEMENT with the CITY is in the best interest of the public and MDC.
Section 4: That this AGREEMENT, a copy of which is attached hereto as “Exhibit A” and incorporated herein by reference, be and the same hereby is approved.

Section 5: That the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary of MDC are hereby authorized to sign the AGREEMENT and, further, are hereby authorized to execute all necessary documents required to implement the actions contemplated by the AGREEMENT subject to representations by MDC staff and legal counsel that all conditions precedent to actions contemplated in the AGREEMENT, and any necessary technical changes to said AGREEMENT, or other documents, are acceptable upon advice from MDC's legal counsel that said changes are consistent with the provisions of the AGREEMENT and the comments and discussions received at the February 8, 2017 and other various MDC Board meetings where this matter was discussed.

Section 6: That this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Meridian, Idaho, a/k/a the Meridian Development Corporation, on February 8, 2017. Signed by the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, and attested by the Secretary to the Board of Commissioners, on this 8th day of February, 2017.

APPROVED:

By ______________________________
Chairman

ATTEST:

By ______________________________
Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 17-002 Traffic Box Art Wrap Project
Exhibit A
Ashley,

I hope all is well with you.

Attached is the new design for the kiosks. I would love the opportunity to present this to your wayfinding/signage committee in person, if that's feasible. We've taken a different approach here and if the chance is available to elaborate with some explanation, I think that would be helpful to your team.

A few things to consider:

- We have tied the naming and color coding by "district" to the newly designed destination signs
- To elevate the districts, we've tied the color system to the kiosk's location
- Each business can be found numerous ways. 1) by industry/category 2) by color code that ties to the map 3) by using the grid system for easy navigation
- Each kiosk will have a prominent "you are here" identifier
- All kiosks are brightly colored, easy to read for pedestrians navigating the map and they are highly visible from a distance

Thanks for the chance to work with you on this. And, for your patience as we took our initial idea and approach to a higher level. This will give you more longevity in the style, elevate the presence of the districts and systemize Meridian in a more definitive way.

Let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss.

Linda

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Map Kiosk Panel Design
MERIDIAN DEVELOPMENT CORP.
Panel Designs:

The kiosk panel designs share similar design elements with the new district signs recently approved and put into production. Each map kiosk is located in a different district throughout downtown Meridian and are color coded to match the area where it’s located. The districts are also color-coded on the map for easy reference.
Kiosk Mockups:

With the colorways on the top and bottom, each panel attracts more attention to itself, and therefore draws in the pedestrian and is put to use more often.
Kiosk Map:
The map is divided and color-coded to each district. The list of businesses and services have a color-dot which corresponds with each district, an unique number and a grid-coordination to help the user find the right place on the map.
DOWNTOWN PARKING, TRANSPORTATION AND STREETSCAPE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA
February 01, 2017 at 3:30pm
Meridian City Hall, Conference Room A

Attendees: Ashley Squyres, Dan Basalone, Keith Bird, Brian McClure, Sean Kelly, Caleb Hood, Cody Homan, Justin Lucas, Thomas Baker, April Guinsler, and David Ballard

1. **CDBG Sidewalk Discussion [Sean Kelly]**

   Sean reviewed the opportunity to utilize unused CDBG funds for sidewalk improvements in the low to moderate income areas of downtown Meridian. Brian created a map of gaps in the sidewalk infrastructure. The committee will review and assist in prioritizing projects at the next committee meeting. Any project would be managed by MDC.

2. **ACHD Capital Maintenance Strategy [Justin]**

   Justin discussed the downtown maintenance strategy for the next few years. ACHD has been reviewing an initial list put together by Ashley and the city staff for potential downtown projects. Unfortunately, the ice and snow has hindered ACHD’s ability to adequately view sites. Justin did state that Idaho Avenue is only slated for a chipseal project at this time in 2018 unless MDC and/or the City wish to contribute resources to do something different.

3. **Downtown Code Enforcement Update [Meridian Police]**

   Thomas discussed the delay in obtaining the new 2-hour signs from ACHD for Main Street between Broadway and UPRR. ACHD’s resources have been focused on addressing the snow first and foremost. Code Enforcement is down to two employees and they are in the process of hiring for two more. He discussed the process of patrolling downtown and the time intensity for each patrol.

4. **Pine Avenue Update and New Cost Estimate Discussion [Cody/Justin]**

   Cody reviewed the latest regarding Pine Avenue:
   * The Committee will review the striping before the next committee meeting and make a final determination if it should extend beyond East Third Street on Pine Avenue.
   * The Committee does not believe additional parking restrictions are needed at this time for downtown Meridian.
   * The Committee did not feel it is necessary to try to save the historical walking tour thermoplasty with the construction. It would be more cost-efficient to completely replace.
   * Discussion of the need to replace the Hunter Lateral piping from Pine to East Third. This may impact the landscape design. The irrigation district will review the proposed landscaping.
UPCOMING MDC COMMITTEE AND OTHER MEETINGS

February 08, 2017:
Who: State of the City
When: 3:59pm
Where: Meridian Middle School

February 13, 2017:
Who: PR Committee
When: 11am
Where: City Hall, Council Conference Room

February 14, 2017:
Who: Executive Committee
When: 7:30am
Where: Ed’s 50’s Diner

February 15, 2017:
Who: Wayfinding and Signage Committee
When: 3pm
Where: City Hall, Council Conference Room

February 15, 2017:
Who: Downtown Parking, Transportation, and Streetscape Committee
When: 4pm
Where: City Hall, Council Conference Room

February 16, 2017:
Who: MDBA Board Meeting
When: 7:30am
Where: unBound
LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO
Sixty-fourth Legislature First Regular Session - 2017

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AN ACT
RELATING TO URBAN RENEWAL; AMENDING SECTION 50-2033, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE WHEN AN ANNEXATION OCCURS, THE TAXABLE VALUE OF PROPERTY ADDED TO AN EXISTING REVENUE ALLOCATION AREA AS A RESULT OF ANY EXTENSION OF THE BOUNDARY OF SAID AREA WILL BE ADDED TO THE BASE VALUE IN THE REVENUE ALLOCATION AREA; AMENDING SECTION 50-2903, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF BASE ASSESSMENT ROLL; AMENDING SECTION 50-2903A, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED ATTESTATION TO THE STATE TAX COMMISSION SHALL RESULT IN RESETTING THE BASE VALUE, WITH EXCEPTIONS AS IF THERE HAD BEEN A PLAN MODIFICATION; AND AMENDING SECTION 63-301A, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE NEW CONSTRUCTION ROLL SHALL INCLUDE INCREASES IN BASE VALUE DUE TO INCREASES IN VALUATION CAUSED BY THE REMOVAL OF THE AGRICULTURAL TAX EXEMPTION FROM UNDEvelopED AGRICULTURAL LAND WITHIN A REVENUE ALLOCATION AREA.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 50-2033, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

50-2033. AMENDMENTS. Except for consolidation of revenue allocation areas, a revenue allocation area may only be amended to extend its boundaries as set forth herein. An amendment to an urban renewal plan that does not seek to increase the geographic area of the plan, or does not seek to extend the years of the plan beyond the maximum term allowed under chapter 29, title 50, Idaho Code, is not a prohibited amendment, but may be subject to the limitations set forth in section 50-2903A, Idaho Code. No plan amendment shall be interpreted to or shall cause an extension of the limitations established for the existing revenue allocation area as set forth in section 50-2904, Idaho Code. Subject to the limitations in this section and section 50-2903A, Idaho Code, an urban renewal plan that includes a revenue allocation area may be extended only one (1) time to extend the boundary of the revenue allocation area so long as the total area to be added is not greater than ten percent (10%) of the existing revenue allocation area and the area to be added is contiguous to the existing revenue allocation area but such contiguity cannot be established solely by a shoestring or strip of land which comprises a railroad or public right-of-way. Beginning July 1, 2017, for the tax year during which the annexation occurs, the taxable value of property added to an existing revenue allocation area as a result of any extension of the boundary of said area will be added to the base value in the revenue allocation area, as provided in section 50-2903(4), Idaho Code.

SECTION 2. That Section 50-2903, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Wednesday January 25, 2017 2:39 PM
50-2903. DEFINITIONS. The following terms used in this chapter shall have the following meanings, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Act" or "this act" means this revenue allocation act.
2. "Agency" or "urban renewal agency" means a public body created pursuant to section 50-2006, Idaho Code.
3. "Authorized municipality" or "municipality" means any county or incorporated city which has established an urban renewal agency, or by ordinance has identified and created a competitively disadvantaged border community.
4. Except as provided in section 50-2903A, Idaho Code, "base assessment roll" means the equalized assessment rolls, for all classes of taxable property, on January 1 of the year in which the local governing body of an authorized municipality passes an ordinance adopting or modifying an urban renewal plan containing a revenue allocation financing provision, except that the base assessment roll shall be adjusted as follows: the equalized assessment valuation of the taxable property in a revenue allocation area as shown upon the base assessment roll shall be reduced by the amount by which the equalized assessed valuation as shown on the base assessment roll exceeds the current equalized assessed valuation of any taxable property located in the revenue allocation area, and by the equalized assessed valuation of taxable property in such revenue allocation area that becomes exempt from taxation subsequent to the date of the base assessment roll. The equalized assessed valuation of the taxable property in a revenue allocation area as shown on the base assessment roll shall be increased by the equalized assessed valuation, as of the date of the base assessment roll, of taxable property in such revenue allocation area that becomes taxable after the date of the base assessment roll, provided any increase in valuation caused by the removal of the agricultural tax exemption from undeveloped agricultural land in a revenue allocation area and, for annexations occurring on or after July 1, 2017, in the year during which such annexation is first in effect, any increase in valuation due to property newly annexed to a revenue allocation area, as provided in section 50-2033, Idaho Code, shall be added to the base assessment roll. An urban renewal plan containing a revenue allocation financing provision adopted or modified prior to July 1, 2016, is not subject to section 50-2903A, Idaho Code. For plans adopted or modified prior to July 1, 2016, and for subsequent modifications of those urban renewal plans, the value of the base assessment roll of property within the revenue allocation area shall be determined as if the modification had not occurred.
5. "Budget" means an annual estimate of revenues and expenses for the following fiscal year of the agency. An agency shall, by September 1 of each calendar year, adopt and publish, as described in section 50-1002, Idaho Code, a budget for the next fiscal year. An agency may amend its adopted budget using the same procedures as used for adoption of the budget. For the fiscal year that immediately predates the termination date for an urban renewal plan involving a revenue allocation area or will include the termination date, the agency shall adopt and publish a budget specifically for the projected revenues and expenses of the plan and make a determination as to whether the revenue allocation area can be terminated before the January 1 of the termination year pursuant to the terms of section 50-2909(4), Idaho Code. In the event that the agency determines that current tax year revenues
are sufficient to cover all estimated expenses for the current year and all
future years, by September 1 the agency shall adopt a resolution advising and
notifying the local governing body, the county auditor, and the state tax
commission and recommending the adoption of an ordinance for termination of
the revenue allocation area by December 31 of the current year and declaring
a surplus to be distributed as described in section 50-2909, Idaho Code, should a surplus be determined to exist. The agency shall cause the ordi-
nance to be filed with the office of the county recorder and the Idaho state
tax commission as provided in section 63-215, Idaho Code. Upon notification
of revenues sufficient to cover expenses as provided herein, the increment
value of that revenue allocation area shall be included in the net taxable
value of the appropriate taxing districts when calculating the subsequent
property tax levies pursuant to section 63-803, Idaho Code. The increment
value shall also be included in subsequent notification of taxable value for
each taxing district pursuant to section 63-1312, Idaho Code, and subsequent
certification of actual and adjusted market values for each school district
pursuant to section 63-315, Idaho Code.

(6) "Clerk" means the clerk of the municipality.

(7) "Competitively disadvantaged border community area" means a parcel
of land consisting of at least forty (40) acres which is situated within the
jurisdiction of a county or an incorporated city and within twenty-five (25)
miles of a state or international border, which the governing body of such
county or incorporated city has determined by ordinance is disadvantaged in
its ability to attract business, private investment, or commercial develop-
ment, as a result of a competitive advantage in the adjacent state or nation
resulting from inequities or disparities in comparative sales taxes, income
taxes, property taxes, population or unique geographic features.

(8) "Deteriorated area" means:

(a) Any area, including a slum area, in which there is a predominance
of buildings or improvements, whether residential or nonresidential,
which by reason of dilapidation, deterioration, age or obsolescence,
inadequate provision for ventilation, light, air, sanitation, or open
spaces, high density of population and overcrowding, or the existence
of conditions which endanger life or property by fire and other causes,
or any combination of such factors, is conducive to ill health, trans-
mision of disease, infant mortality, juvenile delinquency, or crime,
and is detrimental to the public health, safety, morals or welfare.

(b) Any area which by reason of the presence of a substantial number of
deteriorated or deteriorating structures, predominance of defective or
inadequate street layout, faulty lot layout in relation to size, ade-
quacy, accessibility or usefulness, insanitary or unsafe conditions,
deterioration of site or other improvements, diversity of ownership,
tax or special assessment delinquency exceeding the fair value of the
land, defective or unusual conditions of title, or the existence of con-
ditions which endanger life or property by fire and other causes, or any
combination of such factors, results in economic underdevelopment of
the area, substantially impairs or arrests the sound growth of a munici-
pality, retards the provision of housing accommodations or constitutes
an economic or social liability and is a menace to the public health,
safety, morals or welfare in its present condition and use.
(c) Any area which is predominately open and which because of obsolete plating, diversity of ownership, deterioration of structures or improve-
ments, or otherwise, results in economic underdevelopment of the area or substantially impairs or arrests the sound growth of a munici-
pality. The provisions of section 50-2008(d), Idaho Code, shall apply to open areas.
(d) Any area which the local governing body certifies is in need of redevelopment or rehabilitation as a result of a flood, storm, earth-
quake, or other natural disaster or catastrophe respecting which the governor of the state has certified the need for disaster assistance under any federal law.
(e) Any area which by reason of its proximity to the border of an ad-
jacent state is competitively disadvantaged in its ability to attract private investment, business or commercial development which would promote the purposes of this chapter.
(f) "Deteriorated area" does not mean not developed beyond agricul-
tural, or any agricultural operation as defined in section 22-4502(1), Idaho Code, or any forest land as defined in section 63-1701(4), Idaho Code, unless the owner of the agricultural operation or the forest landowner of the forest land gives written consent to be included in the deteriorated area, except for an agricultural operation or forest land that has not been used for three (3) consecutive years.
(9) "Facilities" means land, rights in land, buildings, structures, machinery, landscaping, extension of utility services, approaches, road-
ways and parking, handling and storage areas, and similar auxiliary and re-
lated facilities.
(10) "Increment value" means the total value calculated by summing the differences between the current equalized value of each taxable property in the revenue allocation area and that property's current base value on the base assessment roll, provided such difference is a positive value.
(11) "Local governing body" means the city council or board of county commissioners of a municipality.
(12) "Plan" or "urban renewal plan" means a plan, as it exists or may from time to time be amended, prepared and approved pursuant to sections 50-2008 and 50-2905, Idaho Code, and any method or methods of financing such plan, which methods may include revenue allocation financing provisions.
(13) "Project" or "urban renewal project" or "competitively disadvan-
taged border areas" may include undertakings and activities of a municipal-
ity in an urban renewal area for the elimination of deteriorated or deteriora-
ting areas and for the prevention of the development or spread of slums and blight and may involve slum clearance and redevelopment in an urban renewal area, or rehabilitation or conservation in an urban renewal area, or any com-
bination or part thereof in accordance with an urban renewal plan. Such un-
dertakings and activities may include:
(a) Acquisition of a deteriorated area or a deteriorating area or por-
tion thereof;
(b) Demolition and removal of buildings and improvement;
(c) Installation, construction, or reconstruction of streets, utili-
ties, parks, playgrounds, open space, off-street parking facilities, public facilities, public recreation and entertainment facilities or
buildings and other improvements necessary for carrying out, in the urban renewal area or competitively disadvantaged border community area, the urban renewal objectives of this act in accordance with the urban renewal plan or the competitively disadvantaged border community area ordinance.

(d) Disposition of any property acquired in the urban renewal area or the competitively disadvantaged border community area (including sale, initial leasing or retention by the agency itself) or the municipality creating the competitively disadvantaged border community area at its fair value for uses in accordance with the urban renewal plan except for disposition of property to another public body;

(e) Carrying out plans for a program of voluntary or compulsory repair and rehabilitation of buildings or other improvements in accordance with the urban renewal plan;

(f) Acquisition of real property in the urban renewal area or the competitively disadvantaged border community area which, under the urban renewal plan, is to be repaired or rehabilitated for dwelling use or related facilities, repair or rehabilitation of the structures for guidance purposes, and resale of the property;

(g) Acquisition of any other real property in the urban renewal area or competitively disadvantaged border community area where necessary to eliminate unhealthful, insanitary or unsafe conditions, lessen density, eliminate obsolete or other uses detrimental to the public welfare, or otherwise to remove or to prevent the spread of blight or deterioration, or to provide land for needed public facilities or where necessary to accomplish the purposes for which a competitively disadvantaged border community area was created by ordinance;

(h) Lending or investing federal funds; and

(i) Construction of foundations, platforms and other like structural forms.

(14) "Project costs" includes, but is not limited to:

(a) Capital costs, including the actual costs of the construction of public works or improvements, facilities, buildings, structures, and permanent fixtures; the demolition, alteration, remodeling, repair or reconstruction of existing buildings, structures, and permanent fixtures; the acquisition of equipment; and the clearing and grading of land;

(b) Financing costs, including interest during construction and capitalized debt service or repair and replacement or other appropriate reserves;

(c) Real property assembly costs, meaning any deficit incurred from the sale or lease by a municipality of real or personal property within a revenue allocation district;

(d) Professional service costs, including those costs incurred for architectural, planning, engineering, and legal advice and services;

(e) Direct administrative costs, including reasonable charges for the time spent by city or county employees in connection with the implementation of a project plan;

(f) Relocation costs;

(g) Other costs incidental to any of the foregoing costs.
(15) "Revenue allocation area" means that portion of an urban renewal area or competitively disadvantaged border community area where the equalized assessed valuation (as shown by the taxable property assessment rolls) of which the local governing body has determined, on and as a part of an urban renewal plan, is likely to increase as a result of the initiation of an urban renewal project or competitively disadvantaged border community area. The base assessment roll or rolls of revenue allocation area or areas shall not exceed at any time ten percent (10%) of the current assessed valuation of all taxable property within the municipality.

(16) "State" means the state of Idaho.

(17) "Tax" or "taxes" means all property tax levies upon taxable property.

(18) "Taxable property" means taxable real property, personal property, operating property, or any other tangible or intangible property included on the equalized assessment rolls.

(19) "Taxing district" means a taxing district as defined in section 63-201, Idaho Code, as that section now exists or may hereafter be amended.

(20) "Termination date" means a specific date no later than twenty (20) years from the effective date of an urban renewal plan or as described in section 50-2904, Idaho Code, on which date the plan shall terminate. Every urban renewal plan shall have a termination date that can be modified or extended subject to the twenty (20) year maximum limitation. Provided however, the duration of a revenue allocation financing provision may be extended as provided in section 50-2904, Idaho Code.

SECTION 3. That Section 50-2903A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

50-2903A. EFFECT OF ORDINANCE TO MODIFY URBAN RENEWAL PLAN -- EXCEPTION.

(1) (a) On and after July 1, 2016, except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, when an urban renewal plan containing a revenue allocation financing provision is modified through an ordinance of the authorized municipality, the base value for the year immediately following the year in which the modification occurred shall include the current year's equalized assessed value of the taxable property in a revenue allocation area. The urban renewal agency shall be required annually to attest to having or not having modified any of its plans. If no modification has occurred, the urban renewal agency shall attest that fact on an affidavit provided by the state tax commission before the first Monday in June of each year. Failure to submit the required attestation to the state tax commission shall result in resetting the base value, as required in this subsection, except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, as if there had been a plan modification. Modification shall not be deemed to have occurred when:

(i) There is a plan amendment to make technical or ministerial changes to a plan that does not involve an increase in the use of revenues allocated to the agency pursuant to section 50-2908, Idaho Code; or
(ii) There is a plan amendment to accommodate an increase in the revenue allocation area boundary as permitted in section 50-2033, Idaho Code; or
(iii) There is a plan amendment to accommodate a de-annexation in the revenue allocation area boundary; or
(iv) There is a plan amendment to support growth of an existing commercial or industrial project in an existing revenue allocation area, subject to the provisions of section 50-2905A, Idaho Code.

(b) Notice of any plan modification shall state the nature of the modification and shall be provided to the state tax commission, the county clerk and the county assessor by the first Monday in June of the years following the modification.

(c) Once a modification is deemed to have occurred, the base assessment value shall be reset pursuant to this subsection.

(2) When the urban renewal agency certifies to the county clerk and state tax commission that there is outstanding indebtedness, the base value for the year immediately following the year in which the modification occurred shall be computed and adjusted irrespective of the modification to the plan, but in compliance with all other requirements for adjustment as provided in section 50-2903(4), Idaho Code. To be allowed this exception no later than the first Monday in June each year, beginning the year immediately following the year in which the modification occurred, the urban renewal agency must certify:

(a) That the indebtedness could not be repaid by the agency prior to the termination of the revenue allocation area without the allocation of property tax revenues as provided in section 50-2908, Idaho Code; and
(b) The estimated total budget to be used for paying indebtedness during each year until termination of the revenue allocation area, the amount of nonproperty tax revenue to be used by the agency to pay indebtedness each year, and the estimated amount of revenue to be allocated to the agency for the modified revenue allocation area pursuant to section 50-2908, Idaho Code, to be used for paying indebtedness. For purposes of this section "indebtedness" shall mean any bonds, including refunding bonds, notes, interim certificates, certificates of indebtedness, debentures or other obligations, together with all expenses necessary to comply with all covenants related to the indebtedness.

(3) To the extent the amount of revenue allocated to the modified revenue allocation area pursuant to section 50-2908, Idaho Code, exceeds the amount necessary to pay indebtedness certified in subsection (2)(b) of this section, the excess shall be distributed by the county clerk to each taxing district or unit in the same manner as property taxes, except that each taxing district or unit shall be notified of the amount of any distribution of excess urban renewal allocations included in any distribution. For purposes of the limitation provided by section 63-802, Idaho Code, moneys received by any taxing district or unit pursuant to this subsection shall be treated as property tax revenue.

(4) Within thirty (30) days from the time the state tax commission receives information that an urban renewal plan for a revenue allocation area has been modified, the state tax commission shall notify the urban renewal
agency and the county clerk of such receipt and the determination regarding
any limits on the maximum amount of property tax revenue that will be allo-
cated to the urban renewal agency from the current year's property taxes.

SECTION 4. That Section 63-301A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
amended to read as follows:

63-301A. NEW CONSTRUCTION ROLL. (1) The county assessor shall prepare
a new construction roll, which shall be in addition to the property roll, which
new construction roll shall show:
(a) The name of the taxpayer;
(b) The description of the new construction, suitably detailed to meet
the requirements of the individual county;
(c) A description of the land and its change in use, suitably detailed
to meet the needs of the individual county;
(d) The amount of taxable market value added to the property on the cur-
cent year's property roll that is directly the result of new construc-
tion or a change in use of the land or both;
(e) The amount of taxable market value added as provided in subsection
(3)(g) of this section as a result of dissolution of any revenue alloca-
tion area;
(f) The amount of taxable market value to be deducted to reflect the ad-
justments required in paragraphs (f)(i), (f)(ii), (f)(iii) and (f)(iv)
of this subsection:
   (i) Any board of tax appeals or court ordered value change, if
   property has a taxable value lower than that shown on any new con-
   struction roll in any one (1) of the immediate five (5) tax years
   preceding the current tax year;
   (ii) Any reduction in value resulting from correction of value im-
   properly included on any previous new construction roll as a re-
   sult of double or otherwise erroneous assessment;
   (iii) Any reduction in value, in any one (1) of the immediate five
   (5) tax years preceding the current tax year, resulting from a
   change of land use classification;
   (iv) Any reduction in value resulting from the exemption provided
   in section 63-602W(4), Idaho Code, in any one (1) of the immediate
   five (5) tax years preceding the current tax year.
(2) As soon as possible, but in any event by no later than the first Mon-
day in June, the new construction roll shall be certified to the county audi-
tor and a listing showing the amount of value on the new construction roll in
each taxing district or unit be forwarded to the state tax commission on or
before the fourth Monday in July. Provided however, the value shown in sub-
section (3)(f) of this section shall be reported to the appropriate county
auditor by the state tax commission by the third Monday in July and the value
sent by the county auditor to each taxing district. The value established
pursuant to subsection (3)(f) of this section is subject to correction by the
state tax commission until the first Monday in September and any such correc-
tions shall be sent to the appropriate county auditor, who shall notify any
affected taxing districts.
(3) The value shown on the new construction roll shall include the taxable market value increase from:

(a) Construction of any new structure that previously did not exist; or
(b) Additions or alterations to existing nonresidential structures; or
(c) Installation of new or used manufactured housing that did not previously exist within the county; or
(d) Change of land use classification; or
(e) Property newly taxable as a result of loss of the exemption provided by section 63-602W(3) or (4), Idaho Code; or
(f) The construction of any improvement or installation of any equipment used for or in conjunction with the generation of electricity and the addition of any improvement or equipment intended to be so used, except property that has a value allocated or apportioned pursuant to section 63-405, Idaho Code, or that is owned by a cooperative or municipality, as those terms are defined in section 61-332A, Idaho Code, or that is owned by a public utility, as that term is defined in section 61-332A, Idaho Code, owning any other property that is allocated or apportioned. No replacement equipment or improvements may be included; or
(g) Provided such increases do not include increases already reported on the new construction roll, as permitted in paragraphs (j) and (k) of this subsection, increases in value over the base value of property on the base assessment roll within an urban renewal revenue allocation area that has been terminated pursuant to section 50-2909(4), Idaho Code, to the extent that this increment exceeds the incremental value as of December 31, 2006, or, for revenue allocation areas formed after December 31, 2006, the entire increment value. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, the new construction roll shall not include new construction located within an urban renewal district's revenue allocation area, except as provided in this paragraph; or
(h) New construction, in any one (1) of the immediate five (5) tax years preceding the current tax year, allowable but never included on a new construction roll, provided however, that, for such property, the value on the new construction roll shall reflect the taxable value that would have been included on the new construction roll for the first year in which the property should have been included.
(i) Formerly exempt improvements on state college or state university owned land for student dining, housing, or other education related purposes approved by the state board of education and board of regents of the university of Idaho as proper for the operation of such state college or university provided however, such improvements were never included on any previous new construction roll.
(j) Increases in base value when due to previously determined increment value added to the base value as required in sections 50-2903 and 50-2903A, Idaho Code, due to a modification of the urban renewal plan. In this case, the amount added to the new construction roll will equal the amount by which the increment value in the year immediately preceding the year in which the base value adjustment described in this subsection occurs exceeds the incremental value as of December 31, 2006, or, for revenue allocation areas formed after December 31, 2006, the entire increment value.
(k) Increases in base value when due to previously determined increment value added to the base value as a result of a de-annexation within a revenue allocation area as defined in section 50-2903, Idaho Code. In this case, the amount added to the new construction roll will equal the amount by which the increment value in the year immediately preceding the year in which the de-annexation described in this subsection occurs exceeds the incremental value as of December 31, 2006, or, for revenue allocation areas formed after December 31, 2006, the entire increment value within the area subject to the de-annexation.

(1) Increases in base value due to increases in valuation caused by the removal of the agricultural tax exemption from undeveloped agricultural land within a revenue allocation area.

(4) The amount of taxable market value of new construction shall be the change in net taxable market value that is attributable directly to new construction or a change in use of the land or loss of the exemption provided by section 63-602W(3) or (4), Idaho Code. It shall not include any change in value of existing property that is due to external market forces such as general or localized inflation, except as provided in subsection (3)(g) of this section.
By the numbers:

- In January we had 571 visits with a daily average of 24. (See Appendix)
- We answered 427 reference questions in January. (See Appendix)
- Social media stats: Facebook likes - 442, Twitter followers - 284, Instagram - 194

Equipment:

- A stand was purchased to hold the second Smart Kapp whiteboard. It is currently in the Business Nook where people can now have their whiteboard notes from a meeting saved on an online document.

Programs:

- We started a new 2 part-program called Game Maker that has run on 2 Saturdays in January. The class is aimed at teens and children that are 8+ years. The participants are able to leave the 2-part session with a working Asteroid style game. This program will repeat in February and will be expanded on this summer.
- The Idaho chapter of the Small Business Administration hosted a class on Marketing.
- On January 19 we hosted a Meridian Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours event that brought in 37 local business owners. We made new local connections and were able to share what we are doing to help small business in our community.
- On January 24 we joined several organizations and groups from around the state to have a table in the state capitol building rotunda where we showcased how the library is promoting STEAM education. One of Meridian’s State Senators, Marv Hagedorn, stopped by to check out our table and tried out the Microsoft Hololens. The STEM Matters event brought in close to 600 people.

Facility:

- The facility had a leak in the office due to the massive amount of snow and ice. This was a result of a downspout on the south side of the building being blocked by ice. The library’s Facility Specialist was able to clear out the downspout and there hasn’t been any repeated leaks. A few of the ceiling tiles in the office were damaged but we believe there are replacement tiles in the basement which we will put up in the next week.

Quick Notes:

- The numbers from January took a big hit due to the inclement weather, we are expecting the numbers to return to normal in February.
- A new company that works as an intermediary for homeowners and short-term leasing companies has been using unBound as a workspace. They have used the space for daily work, planning sessions and as a place to have client meetings.
- The circulating digital devices has been a great success, especially the camera lenses.
## Appendix:

### Door Count

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