



MEMO TO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Agenda Topic on the Transportation Commission Agenda

From: Miranda Carson, Coordination Planner **Meeting Date:** March 7, 2022
Presenter: Miranda Carson **Estimated Time:** 5 minutes
Topic: Staff Communications

Below are summaries of relevant correspondences received by City Staff since the last TC meeting.

Stockenham Pedestrian Crossings at Hillsdale Elementary

The City received a citizen concern regarding the adequacy of pedestrian crossing at Stockenham. In addressing the citizens concern it came to light that staff at the school district would prefer a singular student crossing at Stockenham and Lachlan. The City of Meridian #1 Community Programs request in the 2021 Integrated Five-Year Work Program is to “Remove mid-block cross-walk by Hillsdale and add enhanced cross-walks at Lachlan and near Rockhampton/Hill Park St. Update school zone signs and flashers.” After speaking with the Chair it was determined the next step in addressing concerns in this area is to have the School Zone subcommittee. Review the issue and provide a recommendation to the Transportation Commission.

Records Way Safety Improvement

Shawn Martin at ACHD sent the following response to the request to ACHD by the City to complete a speed study, crosswalk evaluation, and feedback speed sign evaluation along North Records Way adjacent to Kleiner Park:

Attached are the speed data and pedestrian counts requested. Records Way is signed for 30mph, between Fairview and River Valley, has a P85 of 33mph and an average speed of 30mph. Between River Valley and Ustick, Records has a P85 of 38 mph and an average speed of 34 mph. ACHD is not recommending any speed limit changes at this time. The roadway segment between River Valley and Ustick is on the list to get radar speed feedback signs this year and will be installed once the current order arrives (End of summer estimated).

A pedestrian count was done 03/31/2022 at the mid-day peak hour and evening peak hour. Mid-day, there were no pedestrians or bikes crossing Records Way. During the PM peak, there was one pedestrian crossing records way. Due to the count outcome and the proximity to River Valley and Village Drive, ACHD is not recommending installation of a marked crosswalk.

There was a brief follow up conversation to clarify next steps if the City wants to pursue a crosswalk installation and/or speed limit reduction to 25 mph (the City’s statutory speed). The request would need to come from the Mayor/Council to the ACHD Commission.

Location: Records Ave, 450' S/O River Valley St

Date: 3/31/2022 **Time:** Noon - 1:00PM

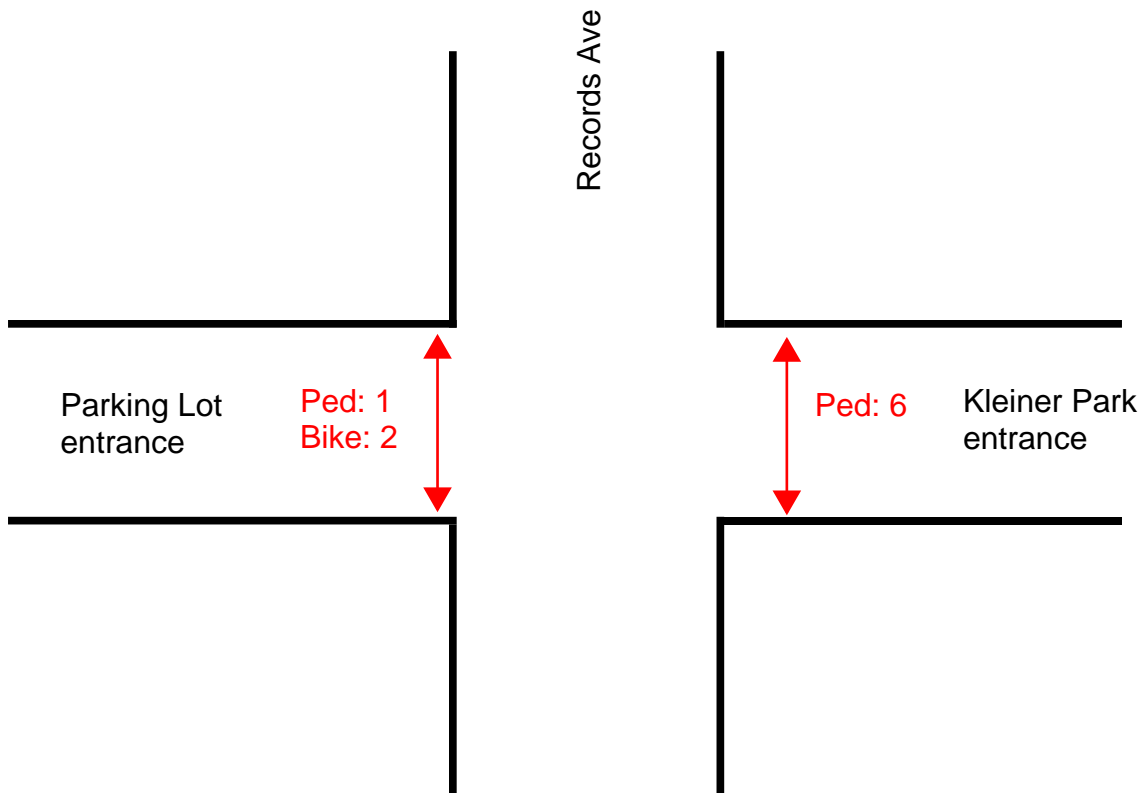
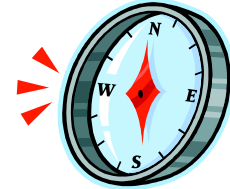
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Type of Count: Ped & Bike

Observer: B Stoneman

Child Ped: 0 Adult Ped: 7

Bikes 2 Total= 9



Location: Records Ave, 450' S/O River Valley St

Date: 3/31/2022 **Time:** 4:00 PM - 5:00PM

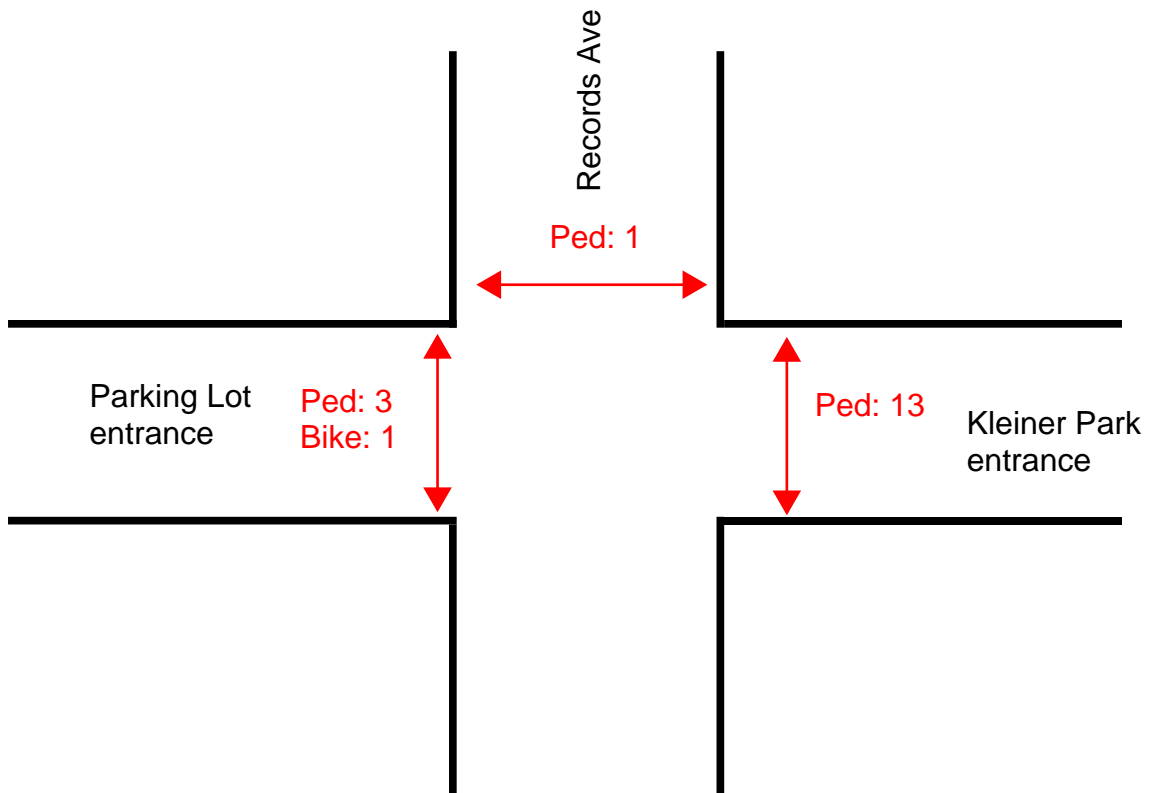
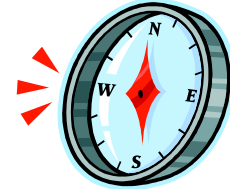
Weather: 55° Partially Cloudy

Type of Count: Ped & Bike

Observer: B Stoneman

Child Ped: 0 Adult Ped: 17

Bikes 1 Total= 18



Air Compression Brake Citizen Request

I received a request via phone for a “COMPRESSION BRAKES PROHIBITED” sign to be installed at the top of the hill northbound on Linder Road south of Overland Road. Below is an excerpt received from John Wasson on the topic from a recent ACHD Commission Meeting:

After some further review of the request from the Ada County Commissioners and the ACHD Legal Opinion from September 2020, we came to the following conclusions:

- “COMPRESSION BRAKES PROHIBITED” signs MUST be posted only with “Entering Ada County” or “Entering City Limits” signs.
- The Ada County Commissioner’s letter requested signs in “...unincorporated Ada County West of Meridian...” to notify truck drivers that use of air compression brakes is prohibited; not just Cherry Ln where the original complainant resides. We feel that signing the arterials would be appropriate to notify the majority of trucks entering Ada County.

If the Transportation Commission recommends a request for a “COMPRESSION BRAKES PROHIBITED” sign be installed, it will have to be posted with an entry sign. Currently the entry sign is at the bottom of the hill. There will need to be further review by staff and Council regarding moving the current sign, sign height, placement within the shoulder, and costs associated with the request.



Keeping Up with COMPASS

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April 2022

A newsletter for COMPASS members to keep abreast of COMPASS Board, committee, and workgroup actions.

Executive Committee – March 8, 2022

More information: www.compassidaho.org/people/execmeetings.htm

Next meeting date: April 12, 2022; COMPASS Second Floor Large Conference Room/Zoom

March Action Items:

- April Board Meeting Agenda. Established the agenda for the April 18, 2022, COMPASS Board of Directors meeting.
- Board Member Travel. Approved a travel request for Commissioner Mary May to attend the National Association of Regional Councils' 2022 Annual Conference from June 12 – 15, 2022, in Columbus, OH.

March Information/Discussion Item:

- Legislative Update. Received status report on the 2022 Idaho state legislative session.

Finance Committee – March 24, 2022

More information: www.compassidaho.org/people/financemeetings.htm

Next meeting date: June 16, 2022; COMPASS Second Floor Large Conference Room/Zoom

March Action Items:

- Vice Chair. Elected Ada County Highway District Commissioner Jim Hansen as Finance Committee Vice Chair. Per COMPASS Board bylaws, the COMPASS Board Secretary/Treasurer serves as Chair of the Finance Committee. Canyon Highway District Commissioner Jay Gibbons is the COMPASS Board Secretary/Treasurer for 2022.
- Variance Report. Approved the October 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021, variance report.
- Membership Dues. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of FY2023 membership dues. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action in its April 18, 2022, Board meeting.
- FY2022 UPWP. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of Revision 3 of the FY2022 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP). This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board of Directors for action in its April 18, 2022, meeting.

March Information/Discussion Items:

- Disbursement Report. Reviewed disbursements made in the reporting period (December 4, 2021 – March 4, 2022).
- Revenue and Expense Projections. Reviewed COMPASS' five-year revenue and expense projections, in preparation for development of the FY2023 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP).

Regional Transportation Advisory Committee – March 30, 2022

More information: www.compassidaho.org/people/rtacmeetings.htm

Next meeting date: April 27, 2022; COMPASS First Floor Board Room/Zoom

March 30, 2022, Action Items (Special Meeting):

- UPWP. Recommended a member agency request from Canyon Highway District No. 4 for COMPASS' FY2023 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP). The COMPASS Finance Committee will balance the request with available resources and recommend a final UPWP for COMPASS Board of Directors' approval in August.
- High-Capacity Transit PEL. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval to consider including a high-capacity transit Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) study in the draft FY2023-2029 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the FY2024 COMPASS UPWP.
- TMA Balancing. Approved an action to balance the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program and Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) in the Transportation Management Area (TMA) to use released funding, as well as additional funding available in the FY2022 apportionment. A funding increase for a Valley Regional Transit project included in this balancing action will be brought to the Executive Committee for approval as part of the TIP modification (below), as it requires Board action.
- Federal-Aid Programs. Approved draft formula-based federal-aid programs (STBG-TMA, TAP-TMA, and STBG-Urban) for FY2023 and FY2025-2029 to be included in the draft FY2023- 2029 TIP. The draft FY2024 program will be brought back to RTAC in April for further discussion. The full draft FY2023-2029 TIP will be brought to RTAC for review in its May 25, 2022, meeting.
- TIP Modification. Recommended Executive Committee approval of a Board Administrative Modification to the FY2022-2028 TIP to increase the cost of two Idaho Transportation Department projects and one Valley Regional Transit project (above). This item will be brought to the Executive Committee for action in its April 12, 2022, meeting, and to the full Board of Directors for ratification in its April 18, 2022, meeting.
- CIM 2050 Funded Projects. Recommended COMPASS Board of Directors' approval of long-term and short-term funded capital projects for *Communities in Motion 2050* (CIM 2050). This item will be brought to the Board of Directors for action in its April 18, 2022, meeting.

Workgroups

Public Transportation Workgroup

Meeting date: March 2, 2022

Highlights:

- Reviewed a potential high-capacity transit Planning and Environmental Linkages project and provided feedback and suggestions to highlight key items.

Next meeting date: Late March/Early April 2022

Demographic Advisory Workgroup

Meeting date: March 4, 2022

Highlights:

- Recommended a regional population estimate of 782,430 for acceptance by the COMPASS Board of Directors. The Board will receive this item for action in its April 18, 2022, meeting.
- Reviewed the 2021 Development Monitoring Report.
- Received a status report on Development Review Checklists completed in 2021.

Next meeting date: Summer 2022

Freight Advisory Workgroup

Meeting date: March 30, 2022

