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JULY 31, 2020

MEMORANDUM

TO:	Meridian Transportation Commission
CC:	City Clerk
FROM:	Caleb Hood, Planning Division Manager CH
RE:	Eagle, Amity to Victory Design

City Staff was recently contacted by an individual that has concerns about some of the design elements ACHD is pursuing for the Eagle Road, Amity to Victory project (see email from Steven Yearsley below.)

Last Fall, City Staff brought up some similar concerns to Council. Here is a little background:

ACHD has deemed that multi-use pathway roadway crossings need to be set further back from intersections. **An exhibit of this configuration from the Eagle Road project is attached below**, and depicts the crossing setback from the intersection corner. While Planning Staff have questioned the realistic benefits of this setback crossing on the Eagle Road project, and raised some visibility concerns with pedestrians crossing behind cars, ACHD believes them to be safer. The general explanation has been that pedestrians and bicycles (likely with more emphasis on the latter with no bike lane), are not prohibited from crossing a side street when a vehicle is waiting to enter the arterial roadway. Typical driver behavior is to stop well beyond the stop bar, and into the cross-walk to maximize their visibility.

This project is at 99% design and rapidly moving towards going out to bid.

Mr. Yearsley will be at the August TC meeting to present his concerns.

Caleb,

I would like to attend this Monday's Transportation Committee Meeting if possible. The two issues I would like to talk about is the roundabout at Eagle and Zaldia and the pedestrian crossings along Eagle with the proposed widening. In fact I have bigger concerns on the pedestrian crossings than the roundabout.

Please call and let me know what format the committee is (sitting around a table, or presenting in the council chambers). Also what is the best way to present this data to the committee, PDF presentation or papers.

Thanks

Steven R. Yearsley, P.E.









