



MEMO TO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Agenda Topic on the Transportation Commission Agenda

From: Miranda Carson **Meeting Date:** June 6, 2022
Presenter: Samantha Cragg **Estimated Time:** 10 minutes
Topic: Amity Road & Marsala Avenue Crosswalk Request

In May we received the following citizen request from Meridian resident Samantha Cragg:

I am writing to see if we can get a crosswalk on Amity at the intersection of Marsala Rd, to safely cross Amity. This is on Amity between Locust Grove and Eagle. It sounds like this project is already slated to occur in 2026, but I'm writing to ask if it can be done sooner.

The new Albertson is coming at Eagle and Amity soon, and it will undoubtedly draw lots of bicyclists and pedestrians to attempt to cross Amity Rd, which has a 55mph speed limit on this section. The crosswalk would allow several neighborhoods to safely cross Amity.

This would help my subdivision, Sky Mesa, along with several other connected neighborhoods, including White Bark, Calistoga, East Ridge and Black Rock to cross Amity safely.

I spoke to Meg through ACHD who suggested I speak to you, and our district commissioner, to see if this can be done sooner. Amity Road is closed on this section currently for construction on the road, until 6/10, and it would be a good time to get this project done.

Prior to addressing this request to the City, Ms. Cragg addressed it to ACHD and received this response from Meg McCarthy:

Thank you for contacting Ada County Highway District regarding a future crossing between Locust Grove and Eagle on Amity. I have great news for you, a crossing at Marsala Way has been identified in the South Meridian neighborhood plan. Even better news is that in the current Integrated Five Year Work Plan (this is the document and adopted budget that directs projects for the future) this section of Amity is slated for improvements that will include enhanced bicyclist and pedestrian facilities. Currently it is scheduled for design in 2026. It could be moved up however, especially if you were to contact the City of Meridian (Caleb Hood) or your Commissioner, I have included the link to find who your Commission is below. As you make your requests, please make sure to include this potential crossing as part of the project request.

<https://achd.maps.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=f952745c66574166906ed300f555639d>

Ms. Cragg will be in attendance at the June meeting to present on her concern.