



Rose Circle Fence Project Proposal

Project Background:

The intersection of W. Franklin Road (Minor Arterial) and S. Meridian Road (Principal Arterial) represents a major gateway within the current Urban Renewal District (URD). Over time, the current perimeter fencing bordering the Rose Circle Mobile Home Subdivision has become blighted and in general disrepair. The proposed project area is located within the soon-to-expire Meridian Urban #1 Urban Renewal District.



Currently, the perimeter fencing is believed to be a “partition fence,” as it appears to be placed on the property boundary between the Ada County Highway District (ACHD) ROW and seventeen (17) privately owned parcels. Generally, Idaho law requires adjoining

landowners to equally share the construction, maintenance, and costs of a partition (shared boundary) fence. The City of Meridian understands that urban renewal funds cannot be used to gift or grant public funds to private property owners. Therefore, the fencing must be located either within a dedicated public ROW or a recorded, permanent public easement. Additionally, specific improvements must be explicitly listed or fall within the scope of the district's active Urban Renewal Plan and Capital Improvement Plan. While this specific project may not have been identified in the Urban Renewal Plan or Capital Improvement Plan, MDC's focus areas prioritize pedestrian access, transit support, and beautification.

Project Overview:

Step 1: Verify land ownership and boundaries through a survey and legal description. The City of Meridian is willing to initiate the survey **IF** a clear path to project funding can be established. While there appears to be adequate room within the ROW to remove and replace the existing fencing, construction and/or permanent public easements may be required.

Step 2: Once boundaries and ownership are confirmed, substantive discussions with ACHD and adjacent parcel owners can begin. The City of Meridian is willing to take the lead in this process, defining project expectations and responsibilities. While private property owner cooperation is anticipated, it is not guaranteed. Preliminary discussions with ACHD have indicated a willingness to participate in permitting and access only.

Step 3: Determine project scope, which tentatively includes: 1) removal of approximately 1,225 lineal feet of chain-link fence, located along the north and east perimeter of the Rose Circle Mobile Home Subdivision; and 2): installation of a 5' – 6' tall, non-chain-link fence (or wall).

Project Budget:

Assuming the proposed project meets City, ACHD, and MDC requirements, current estimates range from \$65,000 to \$200,000+, depending upon materials used. Recognizing that City and/or MDC requirements may require "decorative landscape elements" for fences (or walls), initial estimates should be considered preliminary.

Safety Considerations:

While not considered a safety project, improving the existing perimeter fencing will increase public safety. Discouraging pedestrian "cut-through" traffic onto the adjacent sidewalks will reduce vehicle-pedestrian conflicts, create a vital barrier for children and/or pets, and mitigate the dangers of distracted driving at an otherwise busy intersection.



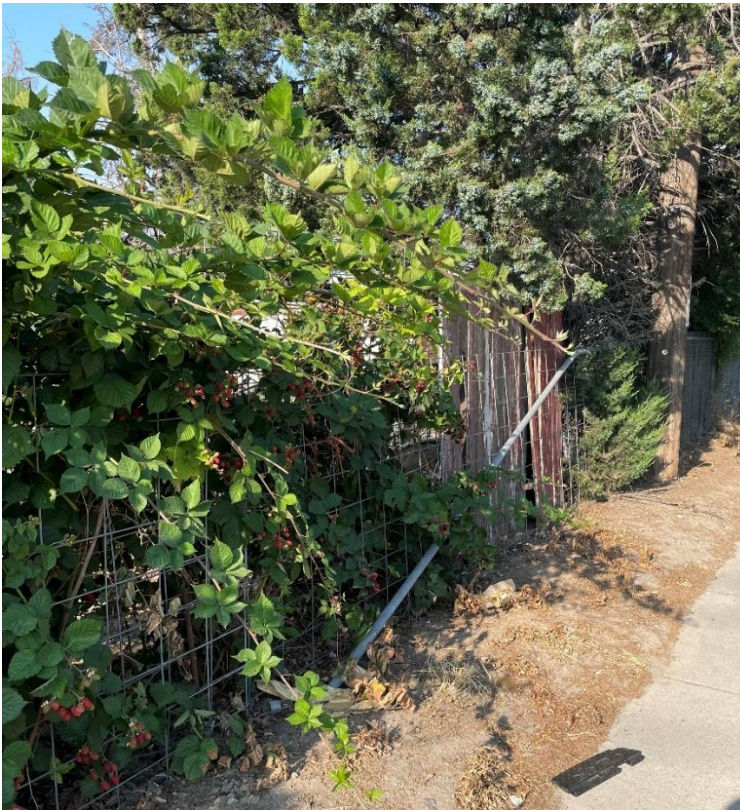
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