



MEMO TO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Agenda Topic on the Transportation Commission Agenda

From: Miranda Carson, Coordination Planner **Meeting Date:** November 1, 2021
Presenter: Miranda Carson **Estimated Time:** 15 minutes
Topic: Chinden Access West of Hwy-16

The intent of this memo is to solicit input from the Transportation Commission regarding access to Chinden west of Hwy-16. The Star Road to Hwy-16 segment is currently in design as part of the ChindenWest project through ITD with construction anticipated to begin in 2023. A recent conversation between City and ITD staff, staff was asked if the City has a preference for/against midblock access. Currently there is midblock access along Chinden east of Hwy-16.

The City of Meridian Comprehensive Plan includes a policy to reduce the number of existing access points onto arterial streets by using methods such as cross-access agreements, access management, and frontage/backage roads, and promoting local and collector street connectivity (Policy 6.01.02B). Further, Meridian City Code 11-3H-42b prohibits direct lot access to highways except at the mid-mile location.

Residential collectors are intended at the half mile per several plans including the City of Meridian Comprehensive Plan, ACHD Master Street Map, and City of Star Comprehensive Plan. Star has indicated a preference for access at the mile (section line) and half mile. Staff would like the TC to comment on the proposed access in this two-mile segment of the corridor, between Can-Ada Road and McDermott/Hwy-16 to confirm this previous direction.

Illustrative Framework Plan

Use Type

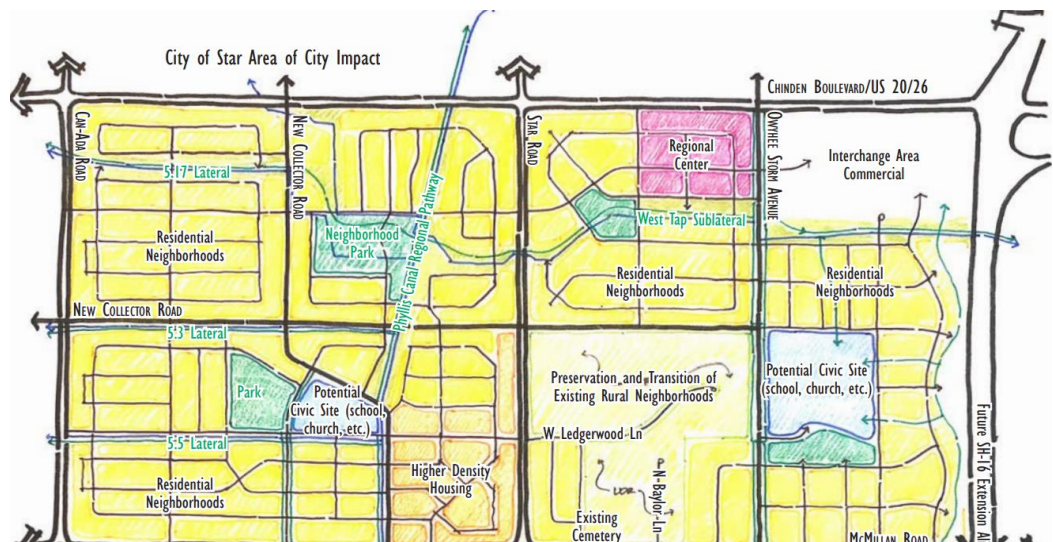
- Medium Density Neighborhoods
- Medium-High Density Neighborhoods
- Industrial Area
- Retail/Office Areas
- Business Park
- Potential School/Church
- Parks and Greenways
- Historic Site

Roadways and Pathways

- Highways and Arterials
- Collectors
- Local Streets
- Pathways

 Refer to Star/McMillan Schematic Concept for additional detail

Note: The Illustrative Framework Plan is conceptual in nature. Final platting and design may differ.



Excerpt from Fields Subarea Plan (Plan to be considered by Council December 7, 2021)