

Meeting Minutes

Meridian Transportation Commission

Monday, April 7, 2025

Council Chambers – Meridian City Hall • 33 East Broadway Ave., Meridian, Idaho

Roll Call

MEMBERS

☒ David Ballard

☒ Ryan Lancaster

☐ Jared Smith

☒ Walter Steed

☒ Stephen Lewis

☒ Tom LeClaire

☒ Zach Shoemaker

☒ Tracy Hopkins

☐ Lilly Miller

EX-OFFICIO

☒ Kelly Bruner (ACHD)

☒ Kate Dahl (VRT)

☒ Lila Klopfenstein (COMPASS)

☒ Justin Price (ITD)

☒ Miranda Carson (WASD)

OTHERS PRESENT

☒ Sgt. Tara Smith (Police)

☒ Tishra Murray (Legal)

☒ Hether Hill (Comm. Dev.)

Adoption of the Agenda

No changes were made to the agenda. Motion to approve by Commissioner Lewis, 2nd by Commissioner Ballard - all ayes.

Introduction of ACHD Liaison – Kelly Bruner

Approval of Minutes

1. March 3, 2025

Motion to approve by Commissioner Lewis, 2nd by Commissioner Hopkins - all ayes.

Old Business Items

2. Transportation Projects Update – Hether Hill

Ms. Hill began on Page 6 of the packet and recommended the Commission review the updates provided in bolded text through page 13. Ms. Hill provided updates on construction progress for segments of the Meridian Downtown Pedestrian Improvements Project on page 9.

New Business Items

3. Transportation Commission 2024 End of Year Report

Chair Steed shared that he will be before City Council on April 8th to provide a recap of 2024, as described in the memo to Council in the agenda packet on page 14.

4. Ex-Officio Updates

Lila Klopfenstein – no significant updates this month from COMPASS; there will be an upcoming Education Series events, with more information to come.

Kate Dahl – VRT is working with the City of Nampa on preparing four scenarios to inform the City's budget discussions and funding available to support VRT services; Routes 40 and 45 may be impacted in the City of Meridian depending on what comes of conversations with Nampa; VRT will be hosting a public open house with details available soon.

Miranda Carson – WASD has added six new routes since the beginning of the school year and have begun prepping for the next school year.

Kelly Bruner – Senate Bills 1140 and 1144 will be in effect July 1st. ACHD's Planning group is evaluating projects and adjusting the scope to fit the two bills new limitations; the focus has shifted to mitigating congestion before alternative modes of transportation.

Caleb Hood – Request for Qualifications is going out soon for a Magicview Woodbridge Area Specific Transportation Plan; the City will be inviting interested parties to submit proposals to provide professional services to lead the development of a technical transportation focused report on enhancing connectivity between Stratford Drive, through Locust Grove and Eagle Roads, and S. Touchmark Way just north of I-84.

Sgt. Smith – no updates this month.

Justin Price – the variable speed design on Eagle Road has been completed; installation can be expected within the next month to six weeks – this entails speed feedback signs, median work and variable speeds with the goal to be completed by summer.

5. Staff Communications

One email was received by the Bainbridge HOA President expressing concerns of its' residents related to traffic and the pending In-N-Out application scheduled before the Planning and Zoning Commission on April 17th. Email correspondence is included on pages 17-18.

FUTURE MEETING TOPICS

- 6. ACHD Master Street Map Changes – Arterial Corridor Preservation (Cherry Lane)**
- 7. Capital Investments Citizens Advisory Committee (CICAC) Update**
- 8. Baraya Subdivision**
- 9. Transportation Commission Bylaws**
- 10. ACHD Queuing Analysis**
- 11. SH-69, Kuna to Meridian – Corridor Traffic Study**

Next Meeting Date: May 5, 2025

Adjournment; 4:15pm – Motion by Commissioner Hopkins, 2nd by Commissioner Ballard - all ayes.

(AUDIO RECORDING AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST)

APPROVED:

WALTER STEED, CHAIR

DATE _____

ATTEST:

CHRIS JOHNSON (City Clerk)

DATE _____

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