

Meeting Minutes

Meridian Transportation Commission

Monday, December 1st, 2025

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

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Ballard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Walter Steed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zach Shoemaker
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryan Lancaster	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stephen Lewis	<input type="checkbox"/> Tracy Hopkins
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jared Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom LeClaire	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advik Bansal (Youth)

EX-OFFICIO

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelly Bruner (ACHD)	<input type="checkbox"/> Austin Miller (COMPASS)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Miranda Carson (WASD)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kate Dahl (VRT)	<input type="checkbox"/> Justin Price (ITD)	

OTHERS PRESENT

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sgt. Tara Smith (Police)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sgt. Morgan Carter (Police)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ali Breshears (Legal)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caleb Hood (Com. Dev.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Brian McClure (Com. Dev.)	

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion for approval by Commissioner LeClaire seconded by Commissioner Lewis – All ayes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. November 3rd, 2025

Corrections discussed:

- Commissioners noted placeholder text such as “motion made by NAME, seconded by NAME”. needed to be replaced with the actual commissioner names.
- Staff to revise the minutes so all placeholders are corrected and combined into clear, single sentences where appropriate.

Motion to approve minutes as modified by Commissioner Lewis and seconded by LeClaire.

Action: Approved, all ayes.

OLD BUSINESS ITEMS

2. Information: Staff Transportation Project Tracking

- Community Development staff presented transportation project status update. Caleb Hood described improvement to the report format and acknowledged the system limitations. Commissioners requested clearer update date indicators in the tracking sheet to support readability. Commissioners also discussed delays caused by the Ustick Road closure and construction. Noting that ACHD is evaluating signal timing adjustment to improve flow. Locust Grove and Pine interstation was discussed regarding visibility concerns, staff confirmed negotiations are underway to resolve sight obstruction caused by a fence and shed. Meridian Police were asked to confirm if the variable speed limits on Eagle Road were enforceable. Meridian Police confirmed these were enforceable. Commissioners raised concerns about whether the Federal Shutdowns would

impact any Idaho Highway projects. It was confirmed by Commissioner Lancaster that projects are not impacted by the federal shutdown.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Information: East 3rd Street Extension Alignment

- Mr. Hood reviewed the history of the East 3rd Street extension concept and noted that the previously identified 2008–2009 alignment is being reconsidered due to changes in surrounding development and anticipated access constraints on Fairview Avenue. Commissioners discussed the need to refresh the old analysis, noting that several assumptions from the prior study may no longer reflect current conditions. Commissioners expressed differing views on the feasibility and value of extending 3rd Street, but generally agreed that updated information is needed and that the Transportation Commission should have an opportunity to review new evaluation materials before City Council provides direction.

4. Information: Ex-Officio Updates

- ACHD – Kelly Bruner reported the new Capital improvement plan and impact fee ordinance (which includes the creation of two service areas) will be considered by the ACHD Commission on December 3rd at ACHD Adams St. Auditorium.
- COMPASS – No representative present, no updates given.
- West Ada School District – Miranda Carson reported that West Ada School district is working on school boundary changes which can impact the bus routes and traffic.
- VRT – Kate Dahl reports no updates from VRT.
- ITD – No representative present, no updates given.
- Meridian Police Department - Sergeant Tara Smith reported that Sergeant Morgan Carter will be taking over as the Police liaison starting January 2026.
- Meridian Legal – No updates from Ali Breshears.

5. Staff Communications

- Caleb Hood confirms there are no updates from staff.

FUTURE MEETING TOPICS

6. ACHD Master Street Map Changes – Arterial Corridor Preservation (Cherry Lane).
7. Pine Ave, Black Cat to Ten Mile – Speeding Concerns.
8. Stratford to Touchmark Feasibility Study – Update.
9. Union 93 Development project on Broadway Ave across from Meridian City Hall.

NEXT MEETING DATE

January 5, 2026

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Lewis seconded by Commissioner Ballard.

Action: Approved, all ayes.

(AUDIO RECORDING AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST)