



# MEMO TO CITY COUNCIL

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## Request to Approve Topic on the City Council Consent Agenda

**From:** Kim Warren, Parks and Recreation      **Meeting Date:** August 25, 2020  
**Presenter:** Kim Warren      **Estimated Time:** Consent Agenda  
**Topic:** Parks and Recreation Department: Pedestrian Bridge Construction Agreement Between Open Door Rentals and the City of Meridian to Connect Pathway Segments and Traverse Ten Mile Creek

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### Recommended Council Action:

As pathways project manager, I respectfully request that Council approve this Bridge Acceptance agreement for the purpose of establishing a pedestrian connection over Ten Mile Creek. This project will facilitate student access to Peregrine Elementary School from the new Twelve Oaks Villas project and enhance connectivity for the pathway system in this area.

### Background:

This bridge crossing is planned across Ten Mile Creek southwest of Linder and Franklin Roads. The original Development Agreement for Twelve Oaks Villas, executed on October 27, 2006, required the developer to provide a pedestrian connection across Ten Mile Creek.

Nampa and Meridian Irrigation District will only allow the bridge crossing if the City will own and maintain the bridge in perpetuity, per the terms of our December 19, 2000 Master Pathways Agreement.

Therefore, in order for the developer to carry out this provision of the Development Agreement, the City has completed the following:

- Secured an easement on the south side of the proposed pedestrian bridge from Whitestone HOA (already approved and recorded)
- Made arrangements to remove encroachments on the existing common lot at the bridge landing
- Secured an estimate of \$4,750.00 to construct an 'outflow' pathway segment so this bridge can make a valid pedestrian connection.
- Included cost to construct this short pathway segment in our pathways budget request for FY 2021. Also include in our FY21 budget is the cost to build 150 +/- ft. of open vision yard fencing - estimated cost not to exceed \$4,000.00.
- Worked with Legal to develop the attached Bridge Acceptance Agreement so that the bridge, once installed, will meet established standards for public safety and minimize the impacts of long-term maintenance. In short, this agreement guarantees that the City is provided with a quality structure that will last.

The developer has satisfied all other terms required by Nampa and Meridian Irrigation District.

**The City's formal acceptance of this pedestrian bridge will enable the processing of License Agreements and other permissions required for this project to move forward.**

This bridge will be an asset to the pathway system at large and make possible a Safe Route to School for any elementary school children living north of Ten Mile Creek.