

A Meeting of the Meridian City Council was called to order at 6:02 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, 2023, by Mayor Robert Simison.

Members Present: Joe Borton, Brad Hoaglun, Luke Cavener, Jessica Perreault and John Overton.

Members Absent: Robert Simison and Liz Strader.

Also present: Chris Johnson, Bill Nary, Stacy Hersh, Crystal Campbell Mark Ford, Joe Bongiorno and Dean Willis.

ROLL-CALL ATTENDANCE

<u> </u> Liz Strader	<u> X </u> Joe Borton
<u> X </u> Brad Hoaglun	<u> X </u> John Overton
<u> X </u> Jessica Perreault	<u> X </u> Luke Cavener
<u> </u> Mayor Robert E. Simison	

Hoaglun: Let me call the City Council regular meeting to order. For the record today is Tuesday, April 18th, 2023, at 6:02 p.m. Our first order of business is roll call vote.

Johnson: Thank you, Mr. President.

Hoaglun: Or attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hoaglun: Next item is Pledge of Allegiance. Please rise for the pledge.

(Pledge of Allegiance recited.)

COMMUNITY INVOCATION

Hoaglun: We don't have anybody signed up for the invocation tonight.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Hoaglun: So, next item is adoption of the agenda. Councilman Borton.

Borton: Mr. President. There are no changes. So, I move that we approve the agenda as published.

Cavener: Second.

Overton: Second.

Hoaglund: We have a motion and second to approve the adoption of the agenda. All those in favor signify by saying aye. Any opposed? We have adopted the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED: FIVE AYES. ONE ABSENT.

PROCLAMATIONS [Action Item]

1. Meridian High School Wrestling State Championship Proclamation

Hoaglund: Next up is a proclamation. For the third year in a row of the Meridian Wrestling team. Please come on in. Well, this is fantastic. You know, this is a special occasion. I mean you guys are making this a regular deal and I kind of like that. We even decided for the third time you got to have your picture up on the big screen. So, we -- we wanted to do that. And it's especially special to me, since I am an alum of Meridian High School. So, I think this is fantastic. Appreciate you guys representing my alma mater very very well. So, let me ask you a few quick questions. How many of you have been on the team for -- and I know some of you are younger, just on the team -- coming up freshman, sophomore. But how many of you been on the team for three years -- three championships? Great. You know, it's -- it's one thing to do it one time and that's a great thing to have and -- and to take away and it's a memory you have for the rest of your life, but -- but three times, that's a heck of an accomplishment. But no pressure, but we expect you back next year. Also let -- let me ask you how many of you placed at state this year? Raise your -- raise your hand. Now, of course, I'm curious if you placed at state and you did -- raise your hand again. If you placed at state raise your hand. Nice and high. Now hold up how many fingers -- how many times have you won at state? Number of times. If you just -- okay. You placed. Okay that's good. One -- okay. If you -- just one take -- take down. If you are two or more keep your hand up. Okay. How many? Three? Two of you have done it three times. All three years. That's fantastic. Congratulations. And who -- who is a junior? You are the junior. Again -- and -- and no pressure on you for a fourth time. None at all is there? No. I -- I think if you have won it three times you put enough pressure on yourself that you want to do it four times I'm sure. Yeah. Yep. That would be awesome. That would be awesome. I think there is only -- in 5-A only ten players in the history that they keep records have done it four times I think. I -- I'm not -- I'm not positive, but I think I saw something about that. But that would be fantastic. You would be number 11, so -- well, we have got this special proclamation. Mayor -- Mayor Simison is out, but he signed this before -- before he left the meeting. So, we are -- we are good to go here. So, let me read this. Whereas being a Meridian high school wrestler is more than escapes, takedowns, pins and achieving state titles, it is training to build leadership, character, confidence, teamwork and resilience, all traits needed to succeed on the mat, in the classroom, and in the real world and whereas the work -- hard work and dedication of the Meridian wrestling team and coaches has resulted in a three peat to become the 2023 state wrestling champions and whereas your tenacity racked up 280.5 team points to once again bring -- bring the trophy home to Meridian and whereas the Meridian Warriors

have continued to conquer the competition and become the dominant squad in the 5-A ranks and whereas the leadership, training and discipline of their coaches helped all team members to focus their talents, passion and determination to become a dynasty, with each player making valuable contributions to the victory. Therefore, I, Brad Hoaglun, on behalf of Mayor Robert E. Simison, hereby proclaim April 18th, 2023, as Meridian High School Wrestling State Champions Day in the City of Meridian and call upon the community to join us in congratulating the Meridian High Warriors on their remarkable athletic achievement and for representing Meridian so proudly in the state tournament. Thank you very much, gentlemen. And ladies. And ladies. And you were state -- you placed as well? That's -- that's fantastic. First place. That's awesome. Coach Muri, come on up, say a few words.

Muri: Thanks, Gonzo. Yeah. The kids are always making fun of my style, which I appreciate. Yeah. Once again complete team effort top to bottom; right? You don't get the job done in the sport of wrestling with one or two individuals; right? It was a -- it was a team effort and we are missing some guys that are at wrestling practice and rugby practice. But this is most of the state team and we actually have quite the coaching staff. I think there is 15 or 16 of us and, yeah, it's just a lot of -- a lot of selfless people investing a lot of time in these kids and it's cool when you get to see the fruit of your labor and these kids -- they -- they do it all; right? They -- they lift. They run. They wrestle. They live clean lifestyle. It's cool to see them get it done and we definitely -- you know, these aren't easy to win, so we are super grateful. That's all I got. Thanks for all the support, you guys.

Hoaglun: All right, coach. We are -- we are passing out -- I thought the easiest way to do it -- we have a City of Meridian pin for each one of you. They are being passed down. But we are going to take a picture here. We will go in front of the -- the podium and the proclamation -- we have the generic one, but we have the one with everybody's name that -- from the -- from the team, state champions, that you guys can have as well and put on display and it will be in city records forever. So, when somebody wants to look you up, you know, when Google is not a thing anymore there will be something else, there you will be, so -- anyway. So, keep passing those down and, then, let's stand in front and we can all get photos. Yeah. Let's hear it. Let's hear it. All right. Give them a hand. Thank you.

DEPARTMENT / COMMISSION REPORTS [Action Item]

2. Public Works Department: 2023 Environmental Excellence Awards

Hoaglun: All right. We are not done with recognitions this evening. This is a great night. This is kind of fun. Next up Department/Commissioner Reports. We have an action item that -- from Public Works and the 2023 Environmental Excellence Award. Jason Korn come on up and the podium is yours and I flipped it around and I probably shouldn't have. I -- I don't have enough practice, so -- that lever on the left side there you can pull out and, then, swing around. That -- you can do it. It's on the side. Yeah. There you go. All right. So --

Korn: All right. All right. Thanks, Members of the Council. My name is Jason Korn. I'm the environmental programs coordinator with the City of Meridian. It is my honor to be here this evening to present the 2023 Environmental Excellence Awards. Our Environmental Excellence Awards program is a way for us to recognize those individuals, businesses and organizations in our community that really demonstrate a commitment to environmental sustainability and making Meridian a better place to live. Yeah. And this year we had several nominations from the community at large, which we reviewed with our cross-departmental team here at the city to select two winners for this year and it is really exciting to honor two volunteer lead programs and with that I will bring up our first recipient. So, Dan Fraser has been volunteering with the Recycle a Bicycle program, which is a partnership with the Meridian Solid Waste Commission and Republic Services where they rescue bikes that were destined for the landfill and reconstruct them into usable bikes, which are, then, put out to the community and Dan has been serving as a volunteer for picking up those bikes, getting them out of the -- the trash bins, taking them -- revamping them, taking what parts he can, making those bikes that could, then, be used by children, adults, teens. He's been doing that for six years now and has completed -- I talked with him earlier this afternoon -- over 1,800 bikes that have gone back out into our community to be used by those, you know, kids -- refugee families -- really it's all across the board. Anyone that needs a bike, you know, he's played a really big part in making this program a success. With that I would like to bring Dan up. And our second environmental excellence awardee for tonight is the Kleiner -- Kleiner Park Pollinator Project. Now, the -- the Kleiner Park Pollinator Project started with the Meridian co-op gardeners, who had an existing food plot in Kleiner Park where families are able to, you know, learn how to grow food. They grow a large amount of food. A lot of that's donated to the food banks and, you know, they saw some leftover land there and asked our Parks Department if they could use that for a pollinator garden and, thankfully, they agreed and through a lot of efforts on their part they were able to secure grant funding, work with Idaho Botanical Gardens, several other volunteer groups and get the garden in the ground and since, then, there is actually another pollinator garden that has gone in at Heroes Park. So, it's expanded beyond just Kleiner Park and I really hope to see it keep expanding and I know with their leadership, the Meridian co-op gardeners and now the Kleiner Park Pollinator Project, that we will be able to see that and really having those pollinator gardens are -- are vitally important for our ecosystem and having those plants available for those bees, insects, birds, beetles, you know, all the things that really help our food and our landscape exist. So, they are vitally important ecosystem functions and very thankful to have them in our community. So, with that can I bring up Julie Bokenkamp to represent the Kleiner Park Pollinator Project and everyone else, too? All right. I would like to thank everyone for attending and supporting our winners and look forward to nominations for next year, which are available on our website, nominate for the 2024 Environmental Excellence Parts. Thank you.

Hoaglund: Thank you, Jason. If you can flip that around, too, real quick. Thank you.

Cavener: Mr. President?

Hoaglun: Yes. Councilman Cavener.

Cavener: While Jason is flipping that around, maybe just a quick moment of privilege. So, I love these awards, Jason. So thank you. And, you know, they often -- these awards are a result of a big impact in our community and certainly both of these awards did that here. But if I can't I just -- Dan, I just want to thank you for your service. Eighteen hundred is a really really large number and I don't know about the 1,799, but I know about one and there is a -- a very remarkable young man who is very close to our family that your hard work and that bike made a huge difference in that young man's life and in a time when he didn't feel like there was anybody thinking of him, you, a stranger, repaired a bike that he, then, took over and I just -- from -- from one resident to another, thank you for making a difference in that young man's life and thank you for all you do for our community. It starts with one and you made a big impact on that young man's life and so thanks very much. Thank you, Mr. President. Apologies.

Hoaglun: Thank you for those kind words, Councilman Cavener. We appreciate that and -- and to -- the all the award recipients, fantastic job. Glad you are in our community. This is what makes Meridian so great and we look forward to seeing who the recipients are next year. Thank you, Jason.

PUBLIC FORUM – Future Meeting Topics

Hoaglun: Next item under -- is public forum. Mr. Clerk, do we have anybody signed up for the public forum?

Johnson: Mr. President, we did not.

ACTION ITEMS

3. Public Hearing Regarding Investment of Community Development Block Grant Funds

Hoaglun: Okay. Moving forward we have a public hearing regarding investment of Community Development Block Grant funds. So, Crystal, turn it over to you.

Campbell: Thank you. As you said that I'm Crystal Campbell, I'm with the Meridian CDBG program, and this is the final step of our planning public hearing. We did receive a few -- a few comments, so I wanted to give you a quick presentation with that update and just a reminder that this -- the purpose of this was to gather feedback from the community on partnerships for public service funding. So, we have had a few presentations. The public hearing was open on April 4th at our Council meeting. I also presented at the Meridian Gathering and Resource Center on April 8th and, then, we have this final presentation tonight. Throughout the process, then, we have been accepting comments through phone calls, e-mails, however people wanted to provide those. We didn't actually receive any, but we did also put out a questionnaire and we received responses from 18 residents on that questionnaire. So, since we didn't receive

any other comments, the next several slides are summaries of what we did receive on the questionnaire. The questions on -- that were contained in the questionnaire, they were based on the services that are available and, then, we also left a space for people to fill in other services that they might have accessed. So, the services that people have accessed that responded to this were childcare assistance, domestic violence services, emergency rental assistance, food access, legal services and utility assistance. For the most part the level of ease was not too difficult to access. There were a few that they did list as difficult. That was childcare assistance, legal services and utility assistance and for the most part that was related to either eligibility requirements that are typically set at the federal level or the lack of knowledge in the community on what's available. We received these six comments and the full comments will be included in our action plan this summer, but a brief summary of what we received was that financial eligibility is a barrier to accessing services. Meridian should support the homeless programs operated in Boise, since that's where residents are accessing those services. There was also a comment that COVID funding is temporary and will leave a gap and there was some frustration with the assumption that nothing will come of this questionnaire. There was also a request for assistance with housing affordable to seniors to be addressed, because it's desperately needed and that the people need more information on accessing services in the community. So, we did receive some suggested partnerships, which was what we were looking for, and it was good to see that the majority of the services people were asking for are current contacts. They are people we have already e-mailed the application to, so that would be services for things like emergency rental assistance, childcare scholarships, homeless services, healthcare, utility assistance and food banks. But there was a request for legal services and so we are doing some more targeted outreach for potential partners that we can work with on legal services and while we are sending the application to them, there is only so much we can do if they don't apply. So, that's the most that we can do with that. There were also three ineligible projects that we, unfortunately, are not able to address with our CDBG funding. Those were landscape maintenance, property tax reduction and grocery credits. So, they are great suggestions that would help the population, but, unfortunately, we can't do anything with that. So, that, -- again, the purpose of this was to try to find partners that we could reach out to to apply for the public service grant and we will use that information to inform our action plan and there will be a -- an opportunity this summer for people to provide further comments on that action plan when it's closer to being completed. And with that I will stand for questions.

Hoaglund: Thank you, Crystal. Any questions for Ms. Campbell?

Borton: Mr. President?

Hoaglund: Councilman Borton.

Borton: Crystal, on the additional outreach, did they provide any context or -- or example of the reason for the request to reach into legal services as far as an unmet need that they have tried to acquire here?

Campbell: No, they -- no, they did not. They just basically checked a box and said that that was a need and that they had difficulty accessing it, but they didn't specify the type of law that they were looking for or anything else.

Borton: Okay.

Hoaglun: Councilman Cavener.

Cavener: Yeah, thanks, Mr. President. Crystal, on the -- the ineligible projects -- at least the -- the landscape maintenance project on its surface seems like it may be a potential fit for a neighborhood grant. Have we done any type of follow up to encourage them that, hey, this program doesn't maybe meet your needs, but there is another program that maybe would or, if not, is that something you would be willing to do?

Campbell: I will have to double check and see if this person left me their contact information, but that is a great suggestion, so I will follow up and see if I can find that -- who the person was, but I can also send out an update to the contact list -- I sent it to -- to provide responses to the comments that were received.

Cavener: Great. Thank you. Appreciate it.

Hoaglun: Council, any further questions? If not, Mr. Clerk, do we have anybody signed up to testify?

Johnson: Mr. President, we do not.

Hoaglun: Okay. Is there anybody online who is -- would care to testify? And I don't see anybody on the list that looks like they are willing to testify that are online, so --

Cavener: Mr. President?

Hoaglun: Yes, Councilman Cavener.

Cavener: If there isn't anyone here that wants to provide any public testimony, I move that we close the public hearing regarding the investment of Community Development Block Grant funds.

Perreault: Second.

Hoaglun: We have a motion and a second to close the public hearing regarding our CDBG grant fund program. We will do a voice vote. So, all those in favor of closing the public hearing, please, say aye. Any opposed? The ayes have it and the public hearing is closed.

MOTION CARRIED: FIVE AYES . ONE ABSENT.

Borton: So, Mr. President?

Hoaglund: Councilman Borton.

Borton: Just a real quick comment on it. I think the comment that Crystal made about the questionnaire might not be -- have a lot of weight with us or with you as an administrator. I don't know if that's necessarily true. There might not be a lot of input, but you do a great job of doing outreach to our community trying to gather information. Really all we can do is make -- provide opportunities for people to participate and provide input. If some choose not to or -- or a large volume don't, then, you know, that tells us information as well. So, it is important to us when we receive that type of feedback. So, you sharing it helps and I know you do everything you can to get people opportunities to participate in this program and that's really all we can do. So, thank you for that.

4. Public Hearing continued from March 14th for Alexanders Landing Subdivision (H-2022-0084) by Kent Brown Planning Services, located at the southeast corner of W. Pine St. and Black Cat Rd. Approved

- A. Request: Annexation and Zoning of 5.2 acres of land from RUT in Ada County to the R-8 zoning district.
- B. Request: Preliminary Plat consisting of 24 building lots and 4 common lots.

Hoaglund: Thank you, Councilman Borton. All right. Moving forward. Next up is a public hearing that's continued from March 14th, H-2022-0084, Alexander's Landing Subdivision and, staff, go ahead and -- Stacy, you have a presentation.

Borton: Mr. President?

Hoaglund: Councilman Borton.

Borton: Just real quick. I was absent at the public hearing when this first was presented, but have had an opportunity to review the materials and catch up and get up to speed, so I feel comfortable participating with today's hearing.

Hoaglund: Thank you, Councilman Borton. Stacy.

Hersh: Good evening, City Council President and City Council Members. So, this application was continued from the hearing from March 14th to April 18th, due to requesting an ACHD representative to be present and additional transportation information as it relates to the extension of West Pine Avenue. I will just go over a few highlighted items to remind everybody about the project. It was requesting annexation, zoning, and preliminary plat for 5.23 acres. It was a 24 lot subdivision, with four common lots, for single family residential detached homes at a gross density of 4.59

units per acre. There is an existing home that is proposed on Lot 1, Block 2. Due to access availability staff recommended that the development shall not commence until a public road access is available to the site upon development of the Horse Meadows Subdivision prior to submitting a final plat for approval. The applicant has met all of the open space and amenity requirements. Commission did recommend approval of the application. Key issues I can go over. From the Commission were timing of the proposed development not commencing until a public road access is available to the site upon development of the Horse Meadow Subdivision to the north and there was a comment made of recommend -- or request that historical advisory committee work with the city in preserving the Roosevelt Elementary School that was used in 1910 that was located on the property to the west and staff has looked that up and that is designated as residential and someone is living there owning it, so I don't know that that was the property that they were referring to. There weren't any outstanding issues for Council. There were the same written testimonies of the three individuals that had concerns with traffic and would like to see a better transition with larger lot sizes and staff did some research prior to the meeting and Foxcroft Subdivision has finished laying the bridge across Ten Mile Creek and Fox -- Foxcroft Subdivision -- oops. Sorry. Is required to construct the full extension of the West Pine Avenue with the first phase of that development and the extension of Pine Avenue is scheduled to be finished by late summer, fall of 2023. Horse Meadows Subdivision to the north of this submitted a time extension on December 12th, 2022, to -- to obtain the city engineer's signature on the final plat prior to January 12th, 2025. Staff has not received a final plat application for Horse Meadows to anticipate when development will commence and also staff is still requesting that Council strike the condition under A.3.C pertaining to the landscape plan submitted. Depict an open vision fence at least six feet in height around the Purdam Drain Gulch per UDC 11-3A-6 and I have also pulled up the preliminary plat, so you can see how the subdivision to the north is depending on this -- this one is depending on the subdivision to the north to be developed and, then, here are the landscape plans and some of the amenities that were provided for this site and you can see how the -- the new road constructed going east-west and how the develop -- the property to the west will develop in the future some type of concept for that and staff stands for any questions that you may have.

Hoaglund: Thank you, Stacy. Any questions? Council Woman Perreault.

Perreault: Thank you. Stacy, did I correctly hear you that Pine will have some additional improvements beyond installing the bridge and that it's anticipated to be open late summer, early fall this year?

Hersh: Council President Hoaglund and Council Woman Perreault, yes, that is correct. So, the Foxtrot -- Foxcroft Subdivision is supposed to develop to finish those improvements.

Hoaglund: And we do have a representative of ACHD online. I'm sure will talk after the applicant discusses some things and we can ask those questions, too, about some of

those things that -- issues that came up at the last meeting. So, would the applicant like to come and present? Could you state your name and address for the record, please.

Bailey: Thank you. David Bailey. Bailey Engineering. 1119 East State Street in Eagle is my office address. Representing the applicant. And I'm stepping in here to cover for Kent Brown, who is the planner, and he is on his way back from Hawaii today, so he got a nice vacation. I got back earlier from my vacation, so I ended up being selected to come in here. From that perspective, though, I appreciate Stacy's presentation there, you know, and I -- I think we got most of the things covered on this and there -- there is some questions about the road. I am actually the engineer for the developer of the Foxcroft Subdivision and the Ten Pines Subdivision and worked on Chesterfield and worked on Coral Creek and on Castlebrook, all the way along here and on Somersby in the northeast side. So, I have been watching Pine Street for an awful long time and we did the engineering design on the -- on the Pine Street bridge last year, including all the flood study work. That deck is actually in place now. The winter -- winter work is done. So, we can't be held up by the irrigation season on that and their plan is -- I think they are having a brief talk to Shawn Brownlee with Trilogy today and the pre -- preconstruction conference is tomorrow. That road is already -- the improvements at the intersection are done and -- and the road is in in front of the -- of the -- of the Baron project that's there. They are building there. And, then, that will continue and be paved across. All the improvements are all the way down the street to the north boundary of this project with the Chesterfield and -- and Castlebrook projects; right? So, those are all in there. And we are in agreement with the -- and they said that -- that that should be paved and ready to go. We are hoping to -- to -- to record that plat and have that all done here this fall. So, by September of this year is our intent to have that road fully open all the way -- all the way through there. The Horse Meadows Subdivision, the developer did talk to that -- that developer on that and they have submitted a time extension, because the -- the original developer had sold the project to someone else. So, someone else is on that. They do intend to move forward on that and we do understand the condition, you know, that we can't build here until we get public road access. We certainly don't have frontage. We don't have a road. We don't have fire access. We don't have anything that -- that can get us there. So, we don't have a problem with that. I think Kent -- Kent mentioned to me -- and I don't think we are opposed to the -- to the condition to do that. Like I said -- just said we are accepting that, but the -- but the condition is written in such a way that it says that we can't submit our construction drawings for approval -- or I'm not sure exactly how it's written -- that we can't submit our construction drawing for approval, you know, prior to -- prior to them actually building out that subdivision and I'm not sure that was the intent; right? So, we wouldn't build anything and couldn't even get in there and -- and actually work on it until that -- their plat is underway and under construction. And, then, of course, we wouldn't be able to file the plat until that right of way is public in front of us. It's totally accepted, you know. So, we wouldn't be building any homes in there prior to them. But we want to make sure that we -- you know, that we just clarify in there that it says we could submit our plans and be ready to go, you know, such that we could do that. So, I'm not sure if that's a point of contention or -- or something, but I did want to bring it up and Kent had asked me to mention that -- that in the presentation here. So, with that I would

be happy to stand for any questions you might have and I'm happy to hear that ACHD did -- did get online today, so --

Hoaglund: Council, any questions for Mr. Bailey? Council Woman Perreault.

Perreault: Good to see you, Mr. Bailey. Question about the -- do you know your client's plans for kind of where they will stage their -- their construction vehicles, apparatuses? This is -- it sounds like you have spent some time out there. That intersection of Black Cat and Pine is really busy and I'm just wondering, -- you know, you will have -- you will have some concrete trucks and -- and other large tractors that are probably making rights or lefts onto Pine and, then, they are going to immediately need to access the property -- the Horse Meadows and your property to the south. Do you have -- is there some coordination between the applicants in kind of how that's going to work, how they stay off of Pine as much as possible? Any information along -- this is just a really unique corner and I think it's going to be -- I think it could create some potential traffic issues there.

Hoaglund: Mr. Bailey?

Bailey: So, Council President and Council Woman Perreault, I guess I don't have those specific plans in place. One -- one of the things here that, you know, obviously, with the construction of the Horse Meadows Subdivision they are going to do the -- there is an asphalt widening on Black Cat and, then, all of the curb and gutter improvements and, then, sidewalk both on Black Cat and there. So, as far as pedestrians they would have to maintain that and in place. As far as we -- where we would actually stage equipment, I mean it would be subject to the ACHD right of way permit, which they would need to do that work; right? So, I think probably have a -- a greater concern during the construction of -- of the Horse Meadows than you do during this project. I would suspect that, since we are probably going to follow right on the tails of the Horse -- Horse Meadows that their property would be up for us staging our equipment for doing the exact same thing. We are off the road quite a bit. And I -- I do know those are pretty well controlled by the Ada County Highway District. It looked to me like the plans for actually improving Black Cat to five lanes looked like, you know, 2030. On that number -- I spent some time on that committee as well with the Ada County Highway District in the long range, you know, planning on stuff and I'm not sure -- quite sure why that's out there, but those can change, you know, as they go along on that -- that end of it. So, the -- the Black Cat -- and, obviously, we got more projects to the south and up to the north on here that are -- that are going to impact that. I don't think this project necessarily impacts any of that and I don't think the construction should be a problem considering ACHD right of way permit, you know, restrictions, so --

Hoaglund: And, Mr. Bailey, for your information in our last go around for our priority list for streets and bridges and whatnot for our community that we sent to ACHD, the -- the Black Cat portion was moved up to the top 20.

Bailey: Oh, great.

Hoaglun: So, more of a priority for -- for our community as well, so --

Bailey: Great.

Hoaglun: Yeah. Council, any other questions for the applicant?

Borton: Mr. President?

Hoaglun: Councilman Borton.

Borton: Dave, just to your comment, you making sure we are on the same page as far as the conditions of approval that you were referencing at the tail end of your comments. Stacy, was there any -- do we -- do we have any -- feel like we have any disconnect in their proposed conditions that you were referencing as far as submission -- submittal of construction drawings being permitted -- permissible?

Hersh: Council President Hoaglun and Councilman Borton, so you are wanting to submit the land development records for the roadways you are asking or the final plat?

Bailey: So, we -- we would want to submit the application -- the -- the final plat application to the city, which includes the construction drawings on it and, then, we wouldn't be able to submit the final plat to the city engineer for signature until that public right of way.

Hersh: So, you are asking to be able to submit the final plat for approval, but not the final plat mylar?

Bailey: Yes.

Hersh: So, I know Kent had mentioned -- because I know that there is some work that can be done once you submit the final plat and post a surety and you can get things done through different phases, but we wouldn't allow that. We could probably change the language on this just to say that your -- change the condition to read that you are able to submit the final plat for approval, but -- but not -- you -- you should not commence development until a public road access is available.

Bailey: Yeah. It depends on what -- what -- I guess it depends on what development means. Improvements to the site can constitute the development or is it actually pulling a building permit? We can't get the plat recorded --

Hersh: Well, site improvements are what needs to happen first.

Bailey: Right.

Hersh: Water. Sewer. Roadway.

Bailey: And the only disconnect is -- is that, you know, from the time we submit the construction drawings and the final plat to the city and, then, your process has us take the -- the -- the plat actually goes to the City Council before the staff will even review the construction drawings and now we have got a four month wait with Highway -- Ada County Highway District and a several month wait at least with the city to review the construction drawings. So, if we waited until their plat's recorded, for example, to do that, now we are six months out before we can even start and normally we can submit the construction drawings for approval, you know, at any time during the process, but we can't get a pre-construction conference to start construction until we have public road access to that that meets the Fire Department requirements and everybody else's.

Hersh: And, then, the final plat goes on consent agenda. So, I'm not sure if staff is comfortable with that for this project. Kent was talking about proposing an easement dedication with ACHD or some sort of thing to replace this the last time we were here and we were amenable to that. I know the -- the language needs to change.

Bailey: And -- and so we can work on the wording of that. I -- I'm just maybe -- maybe --

Hersh: We are open to that. It just needs to be whether it needs to be an easement through dedication of roadway for ACHD for Quarter Horse Lane for the property owner that's fronting there or however. That was his proposal last time.

Bailey: It seems to me that for the protection of the city and the residents that we don't get the -- we don't get anything until we get the plat recorded and our plat cannot record prior to Horse Meadows recording their plat and so what happens on the site as far as construction prior to them recording that plat is the developer building things on the site to his expense at no value to him, unless Horse Meadows records their plat. So, it should be -- it seems to me that normally what we see is a condition such that we can't record our plat until they record their plat and so to -- to hold that up we usually hold up the city engineer's signature on the plat.

Hersh: That's amenable.

Bailey: You can support that?

Hersh: Yes.

Bailey: Okay.

Borton: Mr. President?

Hoaglund: Councilman Borton.

Borton: Good work. Thank you. Getting that sorted out. And if I understand that correctly, the public road would be in on that project to the north as part of that final plat. Or, no, it wouldn't be installed --

Bailey: Yeah. Before they record their final plat that would have to be all constructed.

Borton: Okay. Good. Thanks.

Hoaglun: Yeah. Councilman Borton, I went back to the minutes, because I know I had read that that -- that Kent was worried about having to wait four months without being able to do that and missing the window for doing other development -- site development and those types of things. So, I think we were on the same page, it's just how do we word that, how do we get there and those types of things, so -- yeah. Anything -- any other questions for the applicant at this time? Council Woman Perreault.

Perreault: Thank you. Did -- did we resolve the -- did we resolve staff's recommendation to move the temporary turnaround into Lots 5 through 7, instead of where it currently exists? Was that -- that was a recommendation made in the staff report and I want to make sure that it's on record what -- what the applicant's thoughts are on that. If staff would like to comment on that as well that would be fine.

Hersh: Council President Hoaglun, Council Woman Perreault, so we did discuss that and we have the developer set aside funds for remediation of the temporary turnaround in a form of a surety. That will hold for the HOA and, then, once development continues to the west and that's no longer needed, then, the money will be taken care of to -- to replace that with landscaping.

Bailey: And we are in agreement with.

Hoaglun: Thank you, Stacy. I guess no further questions for now, we will have Christy Inselman come on. I think there were some issues -- questions for ACHD. Christy, if you can unmute and we would recognize you for -- for comments if you have any or would you like to take questions? Am I supposed to do something, Mr. Clerk?

Johnson: Mr. President, no. Christie's unmuted. I'm just not sure -- if she can hear us. It doesn't look like she -- there she is.

Hoaglun: Hi, Christy. Can you hear us? Because we can't hear you if you are speaking.

Johnson: And, Mr. President, the microphone signal is not moving, so it doesn't look like there is any speaking happening.

Hoaglun: We will -- we will just move forward and -- and when we get Christy hooked up -- is there anybody else who has signed up to testify?

Inselman: Okay. Can you guys hear me now?

Hoaglun: Oh. Yes. Christy, you are back.

Inselman: Okay.

Hoaglun: Great.

Inselman: I got promoted to panelists and, then, I could -- then you could hear me.

Hoaglun: Yep. That works.

Inselman: All right. I am happy to take questions. I think staff did a great job of giving an update on the timing for the construction of Pine and that was a question, but I'm -- I'm happy to answer any additional questions that the Council may have on this project.

Hoaglun: Council, any questions for ACHD? Council Woman Perreault.

Perreault: Thank you, Christy, for being here. My question is currently Pine Avenue is not striped and there is not bike lanes and eyeballing it it doesn't look like it is a width that would accommodate bike lanes and -- you know, lanes in both directions. Just -- just wanted to get some more information on how that will be improved once the connection -- or before the connection comes through in September.

Inselman: Thank you, Mr. President, Council Woman Perreault. I actually have a handy dandy measure tool on here to see. It looks like we have 34 feet of right of way. Well, that's basically -- the pavement width is about 34, 35 feet and depending on whether parking is allowed or not that would be an adequate width for dedicated bike lanes if that's the plan for this in the future, which I can also look up if you would like.

Hoaglun: Council Woman Perreault.

Perreault: Thank you, Mr. President. I'm sorry, I -- I only heard a portion of what you had mentioned. I heard that the -- the width is appropriate for bike lanes. Did -- did you mention what was going to happen with the striping?

Inselman: On the striping maybe in future projects -- I apologize I didn't hear that as a question prior, so I was not prepared. Let me get to that area and pull the adequate maps up. Okay. So, Pine --

Johnson: Mr. President? Christy, if you can hear me you are able to share your screen if you would like to and if you need to.

Inselman: Okay. Let me -- sorry. I'm working on my laptop, so it's never as -- as big as the nice two screens I have when I'm in the office. So, I can share with you a -- a map of -- so, the -- the map that's available on your screen -- this is a representation of our

low stress bikeway network. As you can see Pine Street is identified as a future low stress bike -- bike network. It doesn't go all the way to Linder, but it does -- the -- the remainder would be here. Sorry. Too many layers on my computer. Yeah. I actually get all the way over to Black Cat. So, from that point it's just a -- it's a Level 2 facility where we would anticipate either -- if we have enough availability and there is no parking we would have room to do bike lanes. Otherwise we would do sharrows, like a shared facility, and signage. But that's a future -- that's a future treatment that we would do once the roadway is -- is through. I hope that makes sense as I'm throwing random maps up on the screen for you.

Perreault: Council President?

Hoaglund: Council Woman Perreault.

Perreault: Thank you. Yes. Thank you very much. I was asking -- obviously, there is several schools in that area and, then, you have access to Fuller Park from that neighborhood and so just -- just wanted to make sure that was an option. There is two -- two or three bus stops along Pine there. I lived in the neighborhood there in Chesterfield for 12 years and saw a lot of really bad driving behavior and -- and speeding, crossing over, and so the -- that's the reason I was asking about the striping for the safety of the -- it -- it just kind of acts right -- right now like a -- as if it was a subdivision street, even though it's not, it's a collector, so the residents treat it as if it's their own street as part of their subdivision, instead of, you know, for public use, so --

Inselman: Right.

Perreault: -- I just wanted to kind of see how that was going to develop now that it was going to be connected to Ten Mile and there is an anticipation that traffic will increase.

Inselman: Yeah. We -- we treat these -- we look at each corridor individually, but we have a lot of treatment options that we can look at for bike facilities themselves. So, there is vertical elements we can look at dependent on volumes, speed limit along the corridor, but generally with something like this we would want to wait until the connections are done, get an idea of what the traffic is going to start doing once it's competed and, then, we would add that to our list to evaluate for treatment. Sometimes it's just a painted buffer -- there is -- there is multiple options we can do.

Cavener: Mr. President?

Hoaglund: Councilman Cavener.

Cavener: Christy, can you give Council a little flavor for what your -- the highway district's engagement is with -- with the railroad? You know, we -- we touched on this a little this last week. I have got some real concerns about the stop sign at the railway and believe -- I know that you guys are waiting until 2030 to potentially expand Black Cat. That -- that stop sign at the railway is -- is a huge bottleneck and maybe giving

Council a flavor for what the highway district can do or would do to maybe get that moved from a stop sign to engaging with the railroad about a -- about a crossing.

Hoaglund: Christy, go ahead.

Inselman: Mr. President, I couldn't see -- I think that was -- I'm not sure who was speaking. It didn't come up on my screen.

Hoaglund: Councilman Cavener.

Cavener: Don't worry about it, Christy.

Inselman: Cavener. Councilman Cavener. Thank you so much. We -- when we do roadway projects we always engage with them. If -- if we hear that there -- we -- we are currently working with the railroad and a couple other locations where there is an existing stop sign with the railroads to see what other treatments we can do, so that it doesn't create some bottlenecks. I'm happy to talk to our traffic department about the stop sign at Black Cat and since they are already engaged currently with the railroad and see if there is something that potentially could be done otherwise there. The roadway itself we don't currently have it in the integrated five year work plan, but, Mr. Hoaglund, as you -- or Councilman Hoaglund, as you spoke earlier, that did go up significantly in the City of Meridian's prioritization request. Last year it was 62 -- or the last submission was 62. Now it's in the top 20 and it's your number two on programmed. So, that will definitely lend to us looking at getting this particular project programmed with this next update.

Cavener: Great. Thanks, Christy. Appreciate you being here.

Inselman: Absolutely.

Hoaglund: Any other questions for Christy at this time, Council? If not -- yes. Thank you, Christy. We didn't have anybody signed up to testify. Would the applicant like to come forward for any closing comments?

Bailey: Thank you, Mr. President, Council Members. David Bailey again. I don't have any rebuttal of anything. I appreciate that the ACHD came and -- and got some answers on that stuff and I -- I think we have -- we have resolved most of the issues on this. This is kind of the last -- almost the last thing on -- on this stretch of road and -- and, like I said earlier, working on getting all these pieces, put together over the years it seems really neat for Meridian to -- to get here. My first office was in Meridian at Pine and Linder, just to the east of the high school in the 1993, so -- so, been -- been in this area for a while. So, I think this is going to be a neat area and -- and this -- this is great. It's right with your Comprehensive Plan and we would ask for your approval tonight of this -- this project.

Hoaglun: All right. Thank you, Mr. Bailey. Any last questions for the applicant? All right. Thank you.

Bailey: Thank you.

Hoaglun: Council, what is your pleasure on this project?

Borton: Mr. President?

Hoaglun: Councilman Borton.

Borton: I think that, you know, good work's been done on this, that from it being consistent with the comp plan, what's intended as far as intensity and type of use at this location. It's a relatively small, somewhat in-fill type project that has a couple of wrinkles that have been worked out over the -- the couple of public hearings that we have had and -- and P&Z's recommendation of approval I think makes sense as well. So, in light of the clarification that's been provided with the conditions at today's hearing, I'm supportive of the application as presented.

Hoaglun: We have a motion for approval. Is there a second?

Johnson: Mr. President, do you want to close the public hearing?

Hoaglun: Oh, yes. Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Let's have a motion to close the public hearing. Is that what you said, Councilman?

Borton: I was just ruminating on some initial thoughts, but I can do that. Mr. President, I move we close the public hearing on H-2022-0084.

Perreault: Second.

Hoaglun: We have a motion and a second close the public hearing. All those in favor signify by saying. Any opposed? We closed the public hearings.

MOTION CARRIED: FIVE AYES. ONE ABSENT.

Hoaglun: Councilman Borton. Or rumination, please.

Hoaglun: That was it. Those are my ruminations. So, I will pause a moment and see if any other Council Members have --

Cavener: Mr. -- Mr. President?

Hoaglun: Councilman Cavener.

Cavener: To be filed under -- under ruminant. I -- I'm struggling with -- with this project. I -- I agree a lot with Council Member Borton's comments. This is a small project, falls within the Comprehensive Plan. Staff and applicant have I think worked this project out to make it successful. I -- I feel that I'm supportive today, but I have some real concerns about what the traffic impacts on Blackhead are going to be once Pine is completed. You know, we have got a roadway at Black Cat that's -- that's better than D and looks like can accommodate, you know, some more -- some more vehicles. This -- this is not the first time we have talked about Black Cat and -- and my concerns about development that's occurring over there and the impact on Black Cat and this project is certainly not straw that going to break the camel's back, but I do think that we as a body need to be exerting some caution and some patience on future applications that come through on Black Cat until we have a better sense as to what and if the roadway improvements are going to be accelerated past 2030. I think we have got a couple of things that are going to all come together at the same time. A handful of housing projects that are moving forth in that area, coupled with Pine's expansion, we really have the potential for a recipe of disaster and so I think I can be supportive tonight, but I -- and this is also just -- I think good feedback for staff as you were hearing from people coming in with pre-apps, I am a Council Member that is going to be really reluctant on future residential applications that impact Black Cat. So, just, again, filing under ruminant, outward discussion, I am struggling with this particular project for those reasons.

Nary: Mr. President?

Hoaglun: Thank you, Councilman Cavener.

Nary: Mr. President?

Hoaglun: Yes.

Nary: Mr. President, Members of the Council, I just wanted to let you know after the discussion both on this project, as well as Newkirk, I did reach out to Miranda in Planning, since she is our school contact person, and so she has reached out to Compass Charter School to kind of talk about these issues you are concerned with. Hasn't had a response back, so she's going to go be more diligent and actually go there to find a contact person and be able to sort of get in front of these issues now versus later, so -- so, she is working on it, so --

Cavener: Thank you, Bill. I appreciate that.

Hoaglun: Thank you, Mr. Nary. And -- and that is one of the issues. Black Cat. Compass Charter is -- there is times a day -- before school and after school -- there is no turn lane on Black Cat going into or coming out of that school. I -- it's -- it just boggles my mind that -- how that happened and how it came about without having such a significant road issue and -- and that's why -- you know. And I -- I understand ACHD wants to do full miles, but at the same time they have got the full intersection improved

at Franklin and Black Cat and they have got the right-of-way and those houses on the east side to come up -- at least complete a turn lane in the interim. Makes -- makes sense. It just -- but there are times a day I know that I will not go down that road, because it's going to be a major mess, as -- as Councilman Perreault knows all too well I'm sure from her time there, so -- but anyway. So, that is something that -- and it will be interesting to see the dynamics with Pine once that opens. I think there will be a lot more people headed to Ten Mile, instead of trying to make their way out to Black Cat because of that, but -- and, of course, our Meridian Police Department can always be strong on enforceable if there are problems that -- that come up on -- on Pine with -- with a few people who don't think speed limits apply to them, so --

Perreault: Mr. President?

Hoaglund: Council Woman Perreault.

Perreault: Yeah. That's why I have been -- I have been so noisy about this area. When I was in -- Compass was approved when I was on Planning and Zoning and I was just as noisy then with the same questions about the turn lanes. But I have the same -- I share the same concern as Councilman Cavener. I don't think this application is going to tip -- you know tip this over, so I agree in that regard. But when we -- when we discussed this with Horse Meadows, the response was, oh, well, you know, likely now most folks from these surrounding neighborhoods are going to -- are going to head east on Pine and -- and they are going to get to Ten Mile and I don't disagree with that. However, Pine connects to El Gato, which is in the county, and El Gato connects to McDermott, which is going to be one of the main accesses for Highway 16 and so I do think we are going to have a lot of traffic heading west that -- that maybe we would not have otherwise expected. So, I don't know -- El Gato is going to connect at 16 -- or at McDermott and I don't know from there where -- whether folks can take McDermott and get an access to Highway 16 or not. They won't be able to?

Hoaglund: Yeah. Council Woman Perreault, it's my understanding there are only certain segments of Ustick -- not McMillan, but Ustick, I believe -- and -- and, Christy, you will probably have better insight into this, the connections into Highway 16 are going to be Ustick, Franklin -- and were those only two? What were they doing with Cherry? I don't think Cherry was included in that.

Inselman: Mr. President, I don't believe there was a direct connection to 16 from Cherry, no.

Perreault: Mr. President?

Hoaglund: Council Woman Perreault.

Perreault: So, a driver wouldn't head west to McDermott and, then, take a left and go south to Franklin to access 16?

Hoaglund: They would have to -- yes, Council Woman Perreault, they would have to turn left and head to Franklin to get on to Highway 16. There is no direct connection from -- from Pine or El Gato.

Perreault: But El Gato connects to McDermott. It does. So, they would -- they would -- they could take El Gato to get to McDermott and get onto 16.

Inselman: And -- and, Mr. President, Commission, Commission Woman Perreault, they -- they are -- just so you know. Sorry. I am doing five things at the same time. The -- or sorry. McDermott is going to be realigned. We are actually pulled back from its current location and, then, they will be able to turn and make that -- that connection. Just so you are aware it's not -- it won't stay in the existing location that it's at, it's actually going to be pulled east and realigned.

Hoaglund: Yes. There is -- I have seen that -- to Christy's point, I have seen the ITD map and, then, they pull that over where the highway goes and it's basically a frontage type of road. Hard to explain. I haven't looked at it for a while, but it -- it does get pulled back. But there are access points, then, you can go to Ustick -- or -- or Cherry and -- and down and they have those connections. But it is a something that, you know, we are paying attention to, especially from the fire department for access purposes, because there is going to be limited access from the highway -- new highway, but how to -- how to maneuver within that, so --

Overton: Mr. President?

Hoaglund: Yes, Councilman Overton.

Overton: So far the comments have been fantastic. I agree with Councilman Borton and Councilman Cavener on specifically two points. I can -- I'm concerned about this geographical area. I'm not concerned about this application. I think this application is a good application. It's a small in-fill that's going to -- you know, it's going to fall behind the -- the one to the north of it as it comes on. I think you are going to have the connection at Pine happen and I was trying to summon my crystal ball and figure out where that traffic's all going to go. I would like to think that most of it's going to go east on Pine, head to Ten Mile to access the interstate, But potentially I have watched when Locust Grove overpass went in the rule of the land is if you build it they will find the quickest way to get to where they want to go, no matter what we think, and only time will tell as these get developed and built where those new roadway demands are going to be and how best we adjust our next year's priorities to make sure that we are keeping up with where that demand is. But for the purposes of the project tonight, I'm -- I'm supportive of that project.

Borton: Mr. President?

Hoaglund: Councilman Borton. yes.

Borton: I move that we approve H-2022-0084, consistent with the -- the staff report as presented dated April 18th, 2023.

Overton: Second.

Hoaglund: I have a motion and a second for approval. Question for staff. Do we need to strike condition A.3.C and do we need to keep the Purdam Drain open -- and make that as part of the condition to keep it open or is that in the staff report?

Hersh: Mr. President, yes, I need you to state that you would like that condition strike -- or struck.

Hoaglund: Struck. Okay.

Borton: Mr. President?

Hoaglund: Councilman Borton.

Borton: The motion so includes those provisions. It also includes any clarification articulated by staff and the applicant with regards to the conditions presented at tonight's hearing as well.

Hoaglund: Okay. Does the second agree?

Overton: Yes.

Hoaglund: Second agrees. Okay. We have a motion before us for approval with the -- with the conditions. Mr. Clerk, would you, please, call the roll.

Roll Call: Hoaglund, yea; Borton, yea; Cavener, yea; Perreault, yea; Strader, absent; Overton, yea.

Hoaglund: All ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION CARRIED: FIVE AYES. ONE ABSENT.

ORDINANCES [Action Item]

5. **Ordinance No. 23-2015: An ordinance (Pinedale Subdivision – H-2022-0001) annexing a portion of the southeast quarter of Section 10, Township 3 North, Range 1 West, Boise Meridian, Ada County, Idaho, more particularly described in Exhibit “A”; rezoning 1.22 acres of such real property from RUT (Rural Urban Transition) to R-8 (Medium-Density Residential) Zoning District; directing city staff to alter all applicable use and area maps as well as the official zoning maps and all official maps depicting the boundaries and the zoning**

districts of the City of Meridian in accordance with this ordinance; providing that copies of this ordinance shall be filed with the Ada County Assessor, the Ada County Treasurer, the Ada County Recorder, and the Idaho State Tax Commission, as required by law; repealing conflicting ordinances; and providing an effective date

Hoaglun: Thank you, Mr. Bailey. Staff, thank you for your effort tonight. Next up we have Ordinance No. 23-2015. Mr. Clerk, would you be -- read the ordinance by title only.

Johnson: Thank you, Mr. President. It's an ordinance related to Pinedale Subdivision, H-2022-0001, annexing a portion of the southeast quarter of Section 10, Township 3 North, Range 1 West, Boise meridian, Ada county, Idaho, more particularly described in Exhibit "A"; rezoning 1.22 acres of such real property from RUT to R-8, directing city staff to alter all applicable use and area maps as well as the official zoning maps and all official maps depicting the boundaries and the zoning districts of the City of Meridian in accordance with this ordinance; providing that copies of this ordinance shall be filed with the Ada County Assessor, the Ada County Treasurer, the Ada County Recorder, and the Idaho State Tax Commission, as required by law; repealing conflicting ordinances; and providing an effective date.

Hoaglun: You have heard the ordinance read by title only. Is there anyone who would like to hear the ordinance read in full? Ralph is not wanting to do that. Do we have a motion?

Perreault: Mr. President?

Hoaglun: Council Woman Perreault.

Perreault: I keep wanting to say Mr. Mayor. I move that we approve Ordinance No. 23-2015.

Overton: Second.

Hoaglun: Have a motion and a second to approve the ordinance. Mr. Clerk, would you, please, call the roll.

Roll Call: Hoaglun, yea; Borton, yea; Cavener, yea; Perreault, yea; Strader, absent; Overton, yea.

Hoaglun: All ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION CARRIED: FIVE AYES. ONE ABSENT.

FUTURE MEETING TOPICS

Hoaglun: Future meeting topics. Anything? All right. Do we have a motion to adjourn?

Perreault: Mr. President, I move we adjourn.

Hoaglun: Motion to adjourn. All those in favor signify by saying aye. All opposed? We are adjourned.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:09 P.M.

(AUDIO RECORDING ON FILE OF THESE PROCEEDINGS)

PRESIDENT BRAD HOAGLUN

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DATE APPROVED

ATTEST:

CHRIS JOHNSON - CITY CLERK