



MEMO TO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Agenda Topic on the Transportation Commission Agenda

From: Miranda Carson, Coordination Planner

Meeting Date: August 7, 2023

Topic: Staff Communications

Below are summaries of relevant correspondences received by City Staff since the last TC meeting.

Camelia Lane Bus Parking

We received the following concern from a resident:

Meridian School staff was posting signs (on the school fence) saying no parking, buses will drop off there. Workers were bolting signs onto chain link fence on Camelia Lane. The resident reportedly picked up their signs so the Vice Principal came out to talk to her. VP said the drop off zone was approved by school board and school bus company. They came around last spring and told the neighbors they were going to do that – knocked on doors to tell them. In the residents opinion, parking is being used by other vehicles on the road, and big buses along roadway dangerous for walkers.

Our legal team responded to the resident:

I let her know that this was an issue that WASD needed to address with the neighbors, and possibly ACHD if the school is trying to regulate parking on the public roadway. I provided Dave Reinhart's name and number (208-855-4500) and the main ACHD number (208-387-6100). I told her that the City does not have any jurisdiction to take direct action on this problem, but if she can't reach Mr. Reinhart, she can call the mayor's office at 208-489-0529 and his staff can help connect her with people at WASD.

I did go out and look at the area. There were no signs as of 8/1 that said "No Parking". There was 1 sign on the fence that read "MMS BUS PARKING 7:30-8:30AM AND 2:30-3:30PM". This is not an enforceable parking restriction.

Eagle Speed Limit

Our office heard from ITD about their proposal regarding speeds and safety on the corridor. In short, they did not propose to change the enforceable speed limits in Meridian, and instead are proposing to implement a type of advisory limits signage which would suggest a lower speed at certain times of the day based on certain conditions. In their words, "...provide drivers additional information on potential stopped traffic ahead due to congestion and speed feedback signs..". The Mayor and Council are not satisfied with the current recommendation and have asked ITD to come and present their recommendations to the Council at a Council workshop.

COMPASS Educational Opportunity

The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) will be hosting Dan Nabors from Arlington County, Virginia, to share his county's successes in creating a safer transportation system. He'll share how transportation professionals identify safety issues, balance the needs of all types of users, and consider data and context when identifying the best ways to keep people safe on the transportation system. Nabors will also share ideas and solutions from his "safety toolbox," ranging from quick-build solutions to long-term strategies. There will be 2 opportunities to participate. Both presentations are FREE and take place at COMPASS; 700 NE 2nd Street, Meridian.

Putting Safety into Action

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

5:30 pm: Meet and Greet

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Presentation

Intended Audience: All

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Creating a Safe Multimodal Environment, From Analysis to Implementation

Wednesday, August 16, 2023

9:00 am – 11:30 am: Workshop

Intended Audience: Planning, transportation, and related professionals, though all are welcome

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McMillan Right of Way Preservation

The attached letter was sent to ACHD regarding the Transportation Commission's recommendation to request McMillan be preserved for 5 lanes.
