

December 13, 2021

To: Mayor Chadwick and Members of the Star City Council

From: City of Star Transportation and Pathways Committee/Pathways Subcommittee

Issue: The purpose of this memorandum is to provide background information to the Mayor and Council in advance of the Pathways Workshop scheduled with the Mayor and Council at the December 21, 2021 City Council Meeting.

Background: The City of Star Transportation and Pathways Committee and more specifically the Pathways Subcommittee has been working on developing the initial steps for a comprehensive pathways program for the City of Star. To date, the Pathways Subcommittee has developed a draft Pathways Map, identified easement and agreement needs, developed order of magnitude cost estimates, identified possible funding sources and compiled a list of recommendations for beginning implementation of a pathways program.

A copy of the draft Pathways Map is included with this memorandum. The draft plan anticipates a total of over 66 miles of pathways comprised of approximately 31 miles of Community Paths mostly along ditches and canals, 13 miles of greenbelt along both sides of the Boise River and 22 miles of pathway along Hwy16, Hwy 44 and Hwy 20/26. The order of magnitude estimated cost is \$44 million to \$74 million with the majority of the difference in cost being whether gravel (unpaved) or hard surfacing (asphalt or concrete) is ultimately used.

Requested Action: The Committee is not requesting any formal action or decisions be taken by the Mayor and Council at the workshop meeting. However, the Committee would like feedback on whether the Council generally supports the Pathways Plan, if more information is needed, what changes are necessary and if the Pathway Map is ready to be brought back to the Council for adoption in January. This would be a first step in implementing a comprehensive pathways program for the City of Star.