Barber Valley NA Meeting Agenda
13 June 2019 ~ Mill District Clubhouse

• Wayfinding and Signage – Kay Nice, BVNA Board
• Parks & Trails Update – Steve Moore, BVNA Board
• Development – John Mooney, BVNA Board
• Firewise – Joni Reget, BVNA Committee Lead
• Transportation – Celeste Miller, BVNA Board
• Miscellaneous
• Board Business
  • BVNA Facebook Page
  • BVNA positions (letter and/or testimony) - for 1 and 8 July city hearings
Wayfinding & Signage Committee
(Sub-Transportation)
Kay Nice, BVNA Board
FY2019 Neighborhood Investment Program (NIP) Grants

Step 1: Create an Identity Kit featuring Neighborhood Association Logo

SURVEY SAYS......

• TAKE THE SURVEY
• TELL YOUR NEIGHBORS
PROPOSED LOCATIONS SELECTED

• 1. Warm Springs Avenue and Barber Drive
• 2. Park Center Boulevard and Barber Valley Drive
• 3. Millbrook Way and Eckert Road
• 4. Warm Springs Avenue and Shakespeare Way
• 5. Warm Springs Avenue and Highland Valley Road
• 6. Warm Springs Avenue and Teresa Drive
Parks and Trails Committee

Steve Moore, BVNA Board

1) Boulder Heights to Pheasant Heights trail connection
2) Mill District Greenbelt Alignment update
3) Sue Howell Park status
1. Boulder Heights to Pheasant Heights trail connection

+ June 2018, Boise P & Z: The Development Agreement shall include language to allow for an easement for a future trail connection on Lot 11...

+ Sara Arkle (Boise Open-Space) support for trail connection

+ Mark Tate (M3) Developer of Boulder Hts 8 & 9 supports trail connection/SWIMBA

- Pending Boise City approval of road access to upper lot on knob for Pheasant Hts owners. No new documents in PDS Online since June 2018.

+ BVNA re-engaging in trail support
Barber Valley Parks & Trails

Conceptual trail connection to Table Rock from E Barber Drive
2. Mill District Greenbelt Alignment update

Action is deferred until early 2020 – Jennifer Tomlinson (Boise Parks & Rec)

- Greenbelt alignment near the deflection berm on Ada County’s property and adjacent houses in Mill District.
- Barber Dam proximity/FERC relicensing
- Timing and coordination with other agencies in the area that have an interest in the Greenbelt.
- Coordinating the connection to Gateway Reserve (E) and to across Eckert Road (W).
- Response to homeowners sometime 2020
3. Sue Howell Park status

- Aaron Howell is funding the design and construction of the park with Boise Parks specifications.

- Timeline is not yet known, but coordination with Boise City Parks & Rec is ongoing.

- BVNA is looking at how to incorporate a complimentary landscaping addition on the east side of Warm Springs Ave. across from the park on the ACHD R/W (old weigh station). Part of WSA corridor improvement.

- Possible U of I Landscaping Architectural design project? NIP grant?
Development Updates
Habitat Vet Hospital – Relocate to Barber Station
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• CUP19-00033 / 3103 E. Barber Valley Drive (1 July P&Z)
  • Conditional Use Permit to exceed max parking
  • BVNA position NLT 17 June for 1 July hearing date
  • Note from the City Planners:
    • The City generally likes to reduce the amount of excess surface parking where possible, but if the applicant can demonstrate a need, we can support the request. It sounds like they have quite a few employees and clients and plans for a possible future expansion so it might make sense here.
Habitat Vet Hospital – Relocate to Barber Station

- Letter of Explanation Summary
  - 5900sf = 21 parking spaces; Requesting to expand to 37 spaces
  - 28 full-time employees; 3 subcontractors (5% annual growth expected)
  - 16 employees use parking on any given day of the week
  - 5-10 clients in the office at any given time of the day (20% annual client growth expected for 3 yrs)
  - Lot can accommodate a 1500sf future expansion
  - No shared parking agreement; they would “allow surrounding residents to park in our lot to give easy access to Marianne Williams park and the Greenbelt”

- Neighbor Comments – BVNA Facebook
  - It would be nice if it was not all asphalt, but rather allowed drainage (pavers).
  - There’s tons of on-street parking on both sides of the street to deal with the rare peak times they would have.
    - Response......Yes, But.....Generally, folks with animals want to park as close as possible.
  - Well, then maybe we need to consider it’s not the right land use for this area and the vision for this part of town. Why sacrifice a city’s vision for someone that can’t align with it. There will be other suitors if leaders are patient.
  - Half the time we complain about how little parking there is around Bown. Half the time we complain about the city approving excessive parking. If we want to be heard we have to pick what we want to say.
Habitat Vet Hospital – Design Review

• Design Review Hearing 10 July
DHE #17 - Remove parcel from FEMA “A” zone floodplain Attached Residential Townhomes

- Administrative approval Issued by Planning and Development Services – 11 June
• Master Plan updated Feb 2019 based on floodplain changes
• Parks and Rec seeks PZC approval for a Boise River System permit for future construction of park and amenities
• 8 July Hearing – PZC
  • http://pdsonline.cityofboise.org/pdsonline/details.aspx?id=CFH19-00044
Code Amendments

• Neighborhood Meetings (ZOA19-00001)
  • Amendment to the Development Code regarding Specific Procedures including changes to the timing of neighborhood meetings, increasing the radius for mailed notifications of public hearings, and requiring applicants to install on-site public notice signs.
  • 8 July Hearing PZC

• Auxiliary Dwelling Units (ZOA19-00002)
  • Changes include increasing the maximum size, allowing a second bedroom, and removing the parking requirement for ADUs with only one bedroom.
    • Approved unanimously by City Council on 11 June
Development Summary - Misc

• Barber Hill Vistas
  • “...at the moment we have no news on the project. We have put our pursuit of Barber Hill Vistas on the backburner, but may return to it in the future.” 30 May Email from Boise Hunter Homes

• Storage Facility
  • “…Nothing really new to report on the look and design of the project. Once we have a comprehensive set of civil drawings we will start coordinating the grading on the street frontages and then we would want to provide you with the finalized elevations”.

• Finis Terra – excavation ongoing (road cut began 12 June)
Firewise

Joni Reget, BVNA Committee Lead
Harris North HOA/Developer is leading BV efforts

• HRN awarded “Firewise Certification” this week

• Fuel Reduction efforts at HRN perimeter ongoing this week

• Spring Creek HOA coordinated with HRN and Barber Valley DevCo for firebreak mowing (yellow on picture to right)
  • 30’ wide non-exclusive easement along the back of those homes given to the Spring Creek HOA to maintain a Firewise area. Sentry Management will coordinate between the Harris Family and the Spring Creek HOA. Status?

• We need River Heights and East Valley HOAs to get engaged.....!!
Transportation Committee

Celeste Miller, BVNA Board
Upcoming Transportation Projects in the BV

[Map and link to project details]

https://achd.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=7c8aa5d33c554f5181340d5be044c20b
Objective: Add ROW landscaping to new park

*Improve streetscape at south valley entrance*

- Licensing Agreement to allow improvements in ACHD ROW
- Influencing to add ROW landscaping project to Sue Howell Park plans/budget
- Primary coordination
  - City Park Planners
  - City Transportation Planners
  - ACHD ROW licensing/planners
- Stakeholders
  - Brian subdivision
  - Idaho Fish & Game
- Thanks to LeNir
  - Landscaping Concepts

11 June meeting
Project Notes

• Sue Howell Park planning
  • BVNA efforts to include landscaping in ACHD right of way as part of the new park
  • Maintenance would be accomplished by the City
  • Coordination with U of Idaho Landscape Architecture Masters students for vision

• New ACHD Bike Map App (search app store “ACHD bike map”)

• New ACHD Reporter App (search “ACHD Reporter”)

• Traffic Calming on Barber Drive
  • “…..The study supported the need for traffic calming and passed the requirements for Ada County to pay for it. They now need to get the funds allocated and they expect to get something done over the summer”.
    • Outstanding proactive work by our BV neighbors on Barber Drive!
Questions Regarding WSA paving project

• Are enhanced crosswalks planned?
  • No....but a crossing (not enhanced) is scheduled at Eckert & Arrow Junction Dr: FY2020
  • ACHD is evaluating location for crossings outside of this Federal AiD project. The funding and programming for these crossings have not been allocated and they are not included in the Integrated Five-Year Work Plan.

• Will middle turn lanes be considered?
  • No - we cannot expand the footprint of the current roadway.

• Are bikeable shoulders possible?
  • No - the focus is on resurfacing the existing width of asphalt pavement as well as reconstructing pedestrian ramps that do not meet ADA guidelines.

• Will speed management be considered, if warranted (e.g. reduce lane width)?
  • ACHD traffic department was able to conduct speed study this past week. The data collected didn’t differ from previous speed studies and therefore they will not be reducing the speed limits along Warm Springs east of the Junior High.

• If you have inputs for ACHD, please consider an online submission
  • “Contact Us”: http://www.achdidaho.org/AboutACHD/contactUs.aspx
Construction Update:

TH9 – The watermain and storm drain are currently being placed in the Townhouse 9 blocks. TH9 is highlighted in blue on the map to the left.

TH10 – The area for TH10 has been stripped and dirt for grading will be delivered within the next week. This area is highlighted in green on the map to the left.

Cow Pasture – You may have noticed the location for the cattle pasture has been moved. This will allow a safer space for the cows while construction continues south of Parkcenter.

Harris Ranch News
• Valley Regional Transit
  • Share your thoughts about the routes and services VRT should prioritize over the next two years. Survey open until June 16 at midnight
  • https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2020InvestmentPriorities

• Boise Kind Day – June 22
  • Join the biggest day of volunteering Boise has ever experienced! Includes goathead harvesting!
  • www.cityofboise.org/boisekind

• Block Party Trailer?
  • The Block Party Trailer is available to reserve, free of charge, for weekend events (any resident). June is fully booked, but there are still weekends available Jul – Oct
  • https://www.cityofboise.org/programs/energize-our-neighborhoods/block-party-trailer-request/

• National Night Out Aug. 6
  • Register your event with Boise Police
  • https://www.cityofboise.org/departments/police/national-night-out/
Meeting Notes

• Membership Discussion
  • Habitat Vet Hospital Conditional Use Permit for parking to exceed SP-02 guidelines
    • General consensus that applicant request should be supported by BVNA with conditions that permit general public parking in the ‘extra spaces’, vice exclusive for Habitat clients. Also, request to condition the approval with permeable paving surfaces (hardscape or greenscape)
  • Harris Ranch School Construction?
    • Question raised about status. Boise School District website provides no timing projections. Barber Valley Development Company (representing the Harris Family) confirmed the infrastructure is scheduled for tentative installation in CY2021 with school construction in GFY2022.
  • Alta Harris Park “Greenup”?
    • Was originally projected by the Boise Parks Department in the ‘spring of 2019’. Still researching the status with Boise Parks and Recreation Department.

• Past/Overdue Business
  • The BVNA by-laws designate January as the annual meeting due to the elections of the board members (Section 2.4 and 4.3). However, it does not establish a specific day for the annual meeting, such as the second Thursday of the month. BVNA Secretary (Gary V) will update bylaws NLT October monthly meeting. Election lessons will be incorporated into bylaws with assistance from BVNA VP (Steve M) who conducted the 2019 board election.
Meeting Notes – New Business

• BVNA Facebook page
  • The Board voted unanimously to ask the Facebook page moderators to change the name of the page and remove the BVNA associations. The intent is to permit the Facebook page to focus on social and community announcements and ‘business’ activities of the Barber Valley Neighborhood Association will be conducted through the new BVNA website (BVNABoise.org).

• Firewise
  • BVNA will draft a letter to submit to the various Barber Valley HOA boards (or their management companies). Initial coordination will be with the City of Boise Fire Chief and the intent is to ask the most vulnerable neighborhoods to follow the lead of Spring Creek and Harris North – fully embrace the critical nature of fuel reduction actions and how they can mitigate the risk of wildfire in the Barber Valley.

• Habitat Vet Hospital - Conditional Use Permit and Design Review
  • BVNA Board voted unanimously to support the applicant’s request for 37 parking spots. The public hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission is on 1 July. BVNA will request that the CUP approval is approved with two neighborhood requests: (1) the ‘extra capacity’ parking will be permeable pavers (or plastic grid/grass pavers) to reduce asphalt surface in the Marianne Williams park area, and (2) signage to indicate the ‘extra capacity’ parking spots are for public use and not exclusive to the Vet hospital.

• Sue Howell Park Planning and ACHD Right of Way considerations
  • BVNA met with the City again to discuss how to include a landscape project in the wide right of way adjacent to the new park. We will now wait for action from the City on the possibility of collaboration with the University of Idaho on landscape planning in this area, as well as in the new sidewalk area at Glacier Drive and Warm Springs Avenue. The BVNA Board is seeking interested neighbors to be involved in this coordination, especially those neighbors living the Brian neighborhood adjacent to the right of way and the new City Park.

• BVNA Logo Poll
  • The Board voted to keep the poll open for two weekends and will close at midnight on 23 June.