



Barber Pool Conservation Area
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May 2023 Membership Meeting

In-person and Recorded Meeting - 11 May 2023



Agenda – 11 May 2023

- Dallas Harris Elementary - Guest Presentation
 - Spring 2023 Update
 - Safe Routes to School (SRTS) - Walking Buses & Bike Trains
- Warm Springs Avenue Crossings - ACHD
- Peace Valley Signage Update
- Harris East Flood Event Followup
- SH21 Bike/Ped Facility – Too Hard to Do ☹️
- CID Litigation Status
- Open Forum - Questions or Comments?
- Board Work Session

Attendance: Approx. 32 neighbors plus some “littles” attended

Board Attendance: Mooney and Caraway absent



Safe Routes to School and Spring Update Dallas Harris Elementary

Terri Thaemert, BSD - Timberline Quadrant

Wendy Forrey, BSD - Future DHE Principal

Lisa Brady, VRT - Safe Routes to School Program Manager



Boise School District

Dallas Harris Elementary School Spring 2023 Update



Educating today
FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

INTRODUCTIONS

- Wendi Forrey, BSD Principal Dallas Harris Elementary
- Lisa Brady, Valley Regional Transit, Safe Routes to School Program Manager
- Dr. Teri Thaemert, BSD Area Director Timberline Quadrant
- Agenda
 - Review of the construction process and school updates
 - Review of traffic flow maps and walking routes
 - Review of best safety practices, walking school buses, bike trains

CURRENT CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS



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Recent Drone Footage: <https://vimeo.com/825686802>



STAFFING & OPENING OF DALLAS HARRIS

- Teachers placements were completed the week of April 10-14
- All staff and students will start the year at Riverside Elementary until Dallas Harris is ready to be occupied
- Once construction is complete, we anticipate being able to open Dallas Harris Elementary for students in mid-November

BOUNDARY COMMITTEE PROCESS

- Boundary Committee Establishment - January 2022
- Needs Analysis and Small Group School Discussions
- Communication of Proposal and Survey
- Analysis of Survey Responses
- Proposal to Board of Trustees - May 2022
- Notice of Approval - Dallas Harris Website and [FAQ](#)

LOGO DESIGNS



DALLAS HARRIS
ELEMENTARY



DALLAS HARRIS

CONTINUED UPDATES

- [Dallas Harris Elementary School construction website](#)
- Currently constructing the school's website

Dallas Harris Elementary's posts



Dallas Harris Elementary

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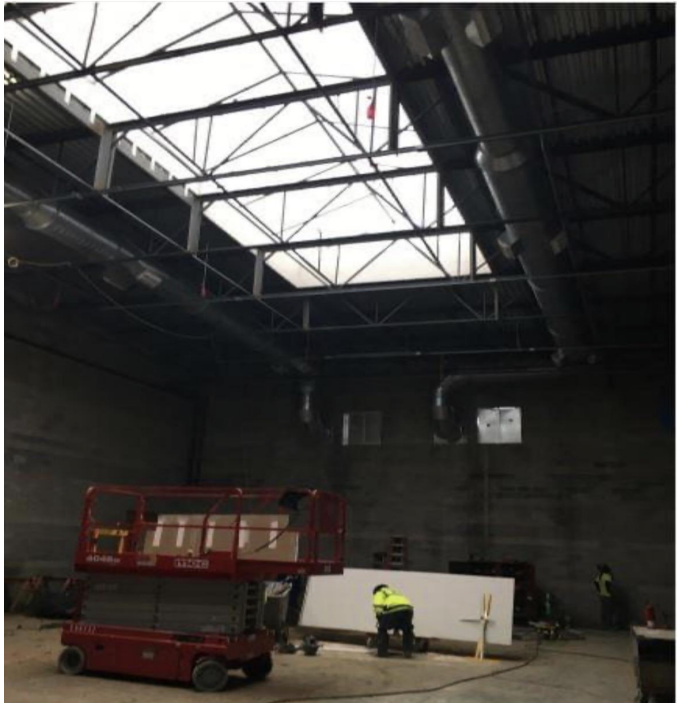
Making progress! TGIF! 💙



Dallas Harris Elementary

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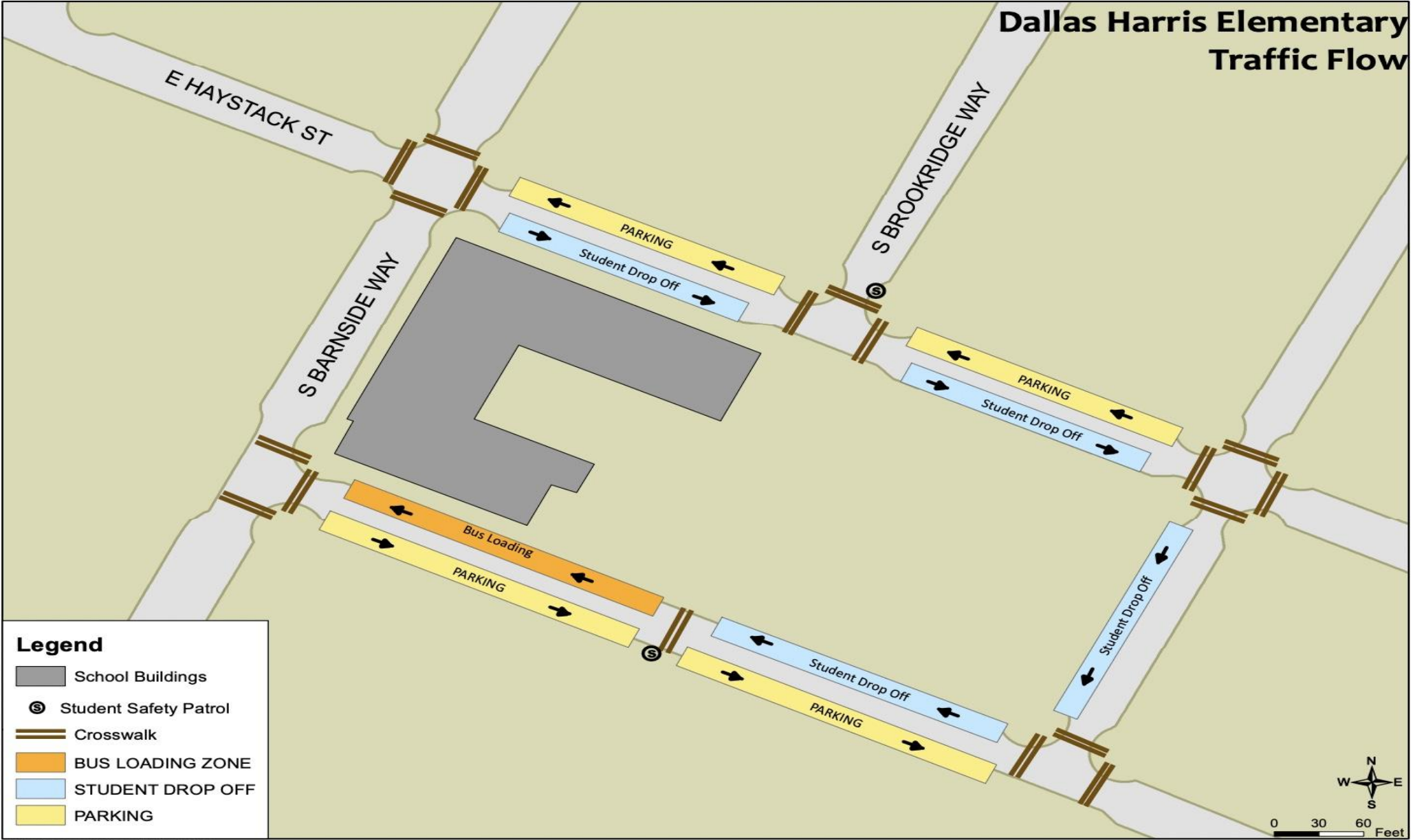
Did you know that there will be a sky light in the gym?!? I didn't!! So excited for this! 💙



TRAFFIC FLOW AND WALKING/BIKING PATHS

- We encourage walking and biking to minimize traffic congestion near the school. Limited curb-approach drop-offs will be available around the school.
- In the Fall of 2023, we will also do classroom lessons on the walking/biking routes with the Dallas Harris students and continue to communicate these routes with our families.

TRAFFIC FLOW



WALKING ROUTES TO SCHOOL



TREASURE VALLEY SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

- Who is Safe Routes?
- Safe Walk/Bike/Roll Tips
 - Practice the trip to school in the morning and afternoon
 - Visibility/Predictability
 - Use marked crosswalks/bike lanes/sidewalks
 - Dealing with weather

Active Trips to School = Less Traffic!

- Bike Train Best Practices
 - Bike Train: https://www.walkbiketoschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/SRTS_BikeTrain_final.pdf
- Walking School Buses
 - Walking School Bus: http://guide.saferoutesinfo.org/walking_school_bus/
- Why do this?
 - Congestion and safety!
- How can Safe Routes help you?

Thank you!

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Warm Springs Avenue Pedestrian Crossings

(Possible Early June Start Date!)

Rob Stark, BVNA Vice-President

Warm Springs Pedestrian Crossings: Sky Bar & Maynard



ACHD is designing enhanced pedestrian crossings featuring Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) and street lighting at two intersections on Warm Springs Avenue:

- [Warm Springs Avenue and Sky Bar Street Visual](#)
- [Warm Springs Avenue and Maynard Avenue Area Visual](#)

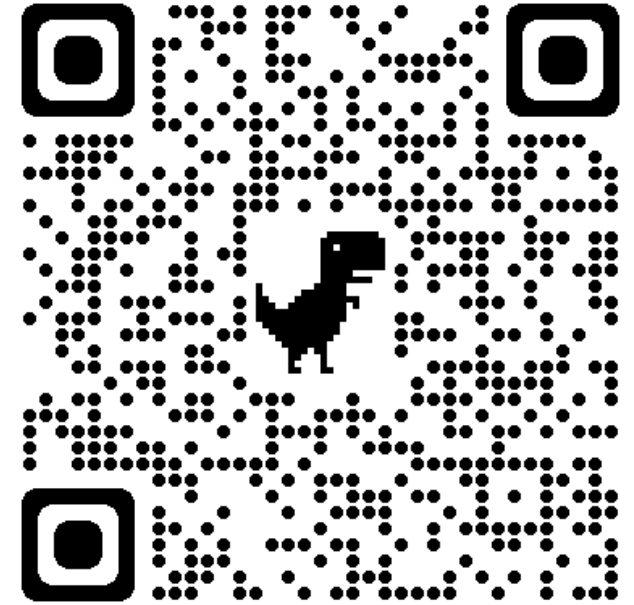
The purpose of the project is to provide additional enhanced crosswalks on Warm Springs Avenue and increase safety for those crossing the road.

About RRFBs

When activated by pedestrians pushing the button, RRFBs flash in a distinct pattern, alerting drivers that pedestrians are actively in the crosswalk.

RRFBs have several distinct advantages in enhancing existing marked crosswalks:

- Increased pedestrian/bicyclist visibility.
- Reduction in pedestrian crashes.
- Increased safety with drivers more likely to stop for pedestrians/bicyclists using the crosswalk.



Project Updates at QR
Code above

CONSTRUCTION

Early June- Early Fall 2023



Starting as early as June, the Ada County Highway District (ACHD) will start construction on the **Warm Springs Avenue Pedestrian Crossings** at Sky Bar Street and Maynard Avenue. The purpose of the project is to improve safety and increase connectivity for pedestrians. Construction is expected to be complete early fall of 2023.

Project Description

- Install a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon (PHB) across Warm Springs Avenue at **Sky Bar Street**
- Install a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon (PHB) across Warm Springs Avenue at **Maynard Avenue**
- Reconstruct adjacent pedestrian ramps to meet modern standards



**Due to high demand for contractors, labor and supplies, the construction schedules may change.*



LEARN MORE ONLINE:
achdidaho.org/projects

CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS

- Pedestrian detours and sidewalk closures
- Lane restrictions with flaggers
- General construction noise, dust, equipment backup alarms and ground vibration
- Crews will work from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. unless otherwise approved
- The contractor will work with property owners to minimize impacts

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Warm Springs Avenue and Sky Bar Street



Warm Springs Avenue near Maynard Avenue





Peace Valley Overlook Signage

Rob Stark, BVNA Secretary

Sign fabrication underway and installation is imminent



Harris East

Gary Veasy, BVNA Secretary

3 items BVNA is tracking:

PVOR to Homestead Trail Alignment

\$30K payment to HR Wildlife Mitigation Association

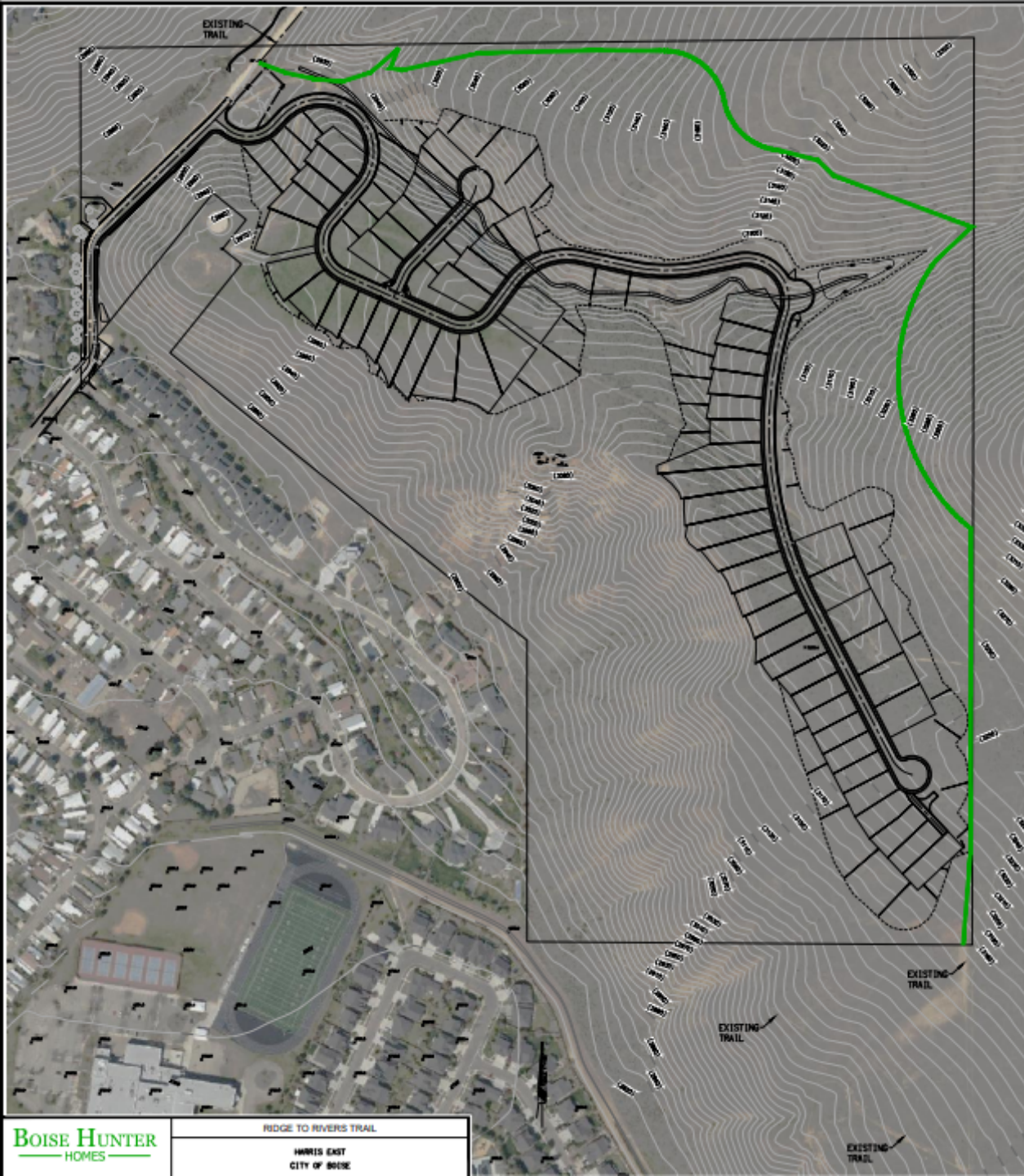
Flooding Event Followup



Updated Trail Alignment

Draft alignment as of 13 April

- Trail alignment included in final plat
- Submitted by BHH to City early May
- BHH will “look into the trail later this summer”
- Hydroseeding is underway
- Underground utilities going in late June
- PVOR signage in fabrication and will be installed ‘mid-May’



Harris East Flooding 31 March

Impacting Spring Creek, Triplett Ranch, Council Springs Road



Mistakes are Made in the Development Process



- PZC rendered a final decision on the Hillside Development (CFH21-00039) on 3 May 2021 (approval).
- Item iv. in Hillside Approval Criteria (City Code):
 - “The project does not create a potential hazard of flooding, soil instability, fire, erosion, etc.”
 - The City’s Project Report response (approved by PZC):
 - “Correspondence received from commenting agencies confirm the project will not create a potential hazard of flooding, soil instability, fire, or erosion.”



- BVNA thanked the City but expressed concerns:
 - We would like to transition from appreciation for the response to a better understanding of how this happened and how to avoid a repeat occurrence at this site.
 - We don't have any further questions and we'll watch for updates at the Erosion Control link as well as at the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality Newsroom (QR Codes above).
- BVNA also stated:
 -we'd expect that city processes would assure the community that temporary facilities of all types would be as robust as the future permanent facilities - we shouldn't be at greater risk during construction activities.
- Update (May 2023): Assistant City Engineer is researching our questions regarding the PZC decision criteria and this flooding event. City erosion control also placed this project 'on hold' – next slide.



The record was placed on HOLD on 05/09/2023.

Condition: Special Stipulation & Condition Severity: Hold

Total Conditions: 1 (Hold: 1, Met: 1)



Conditions

Showing 1-2 of 2

Building - 1 Applied

General

Special Stipulation & Condition

Fees pending on ESC22-00688 see record comments for details- NO INSPECTIONS ON RELEATED RECORDS GRD22-00042

Additional Information:

Applied | Hold | 05/09/2023

Default - 1 Not Applied

Erosion

Forced Corrective Action

Do not final or approve any final inspections for permits until the permit holder pumps out receiving storm drain interceptor on Council Spring Road that received muddy runoff from site. Call Andy Long 208 794-8996 with questions.

Additional Information:

Not Applied | | 05/09/2023

City Responding to BVNA Questions



- Assistant City Engineer, Fred Ostler, is currently researching our concerns
- Engineering reports that are submitted for a development application do not seem to be 'critically reviewed' by the City
 - The seal of the Professional Engineer that authored the required engineering report is deemed 'final' and the City does not appear to have an option to insist on more robust engineering infrastructure



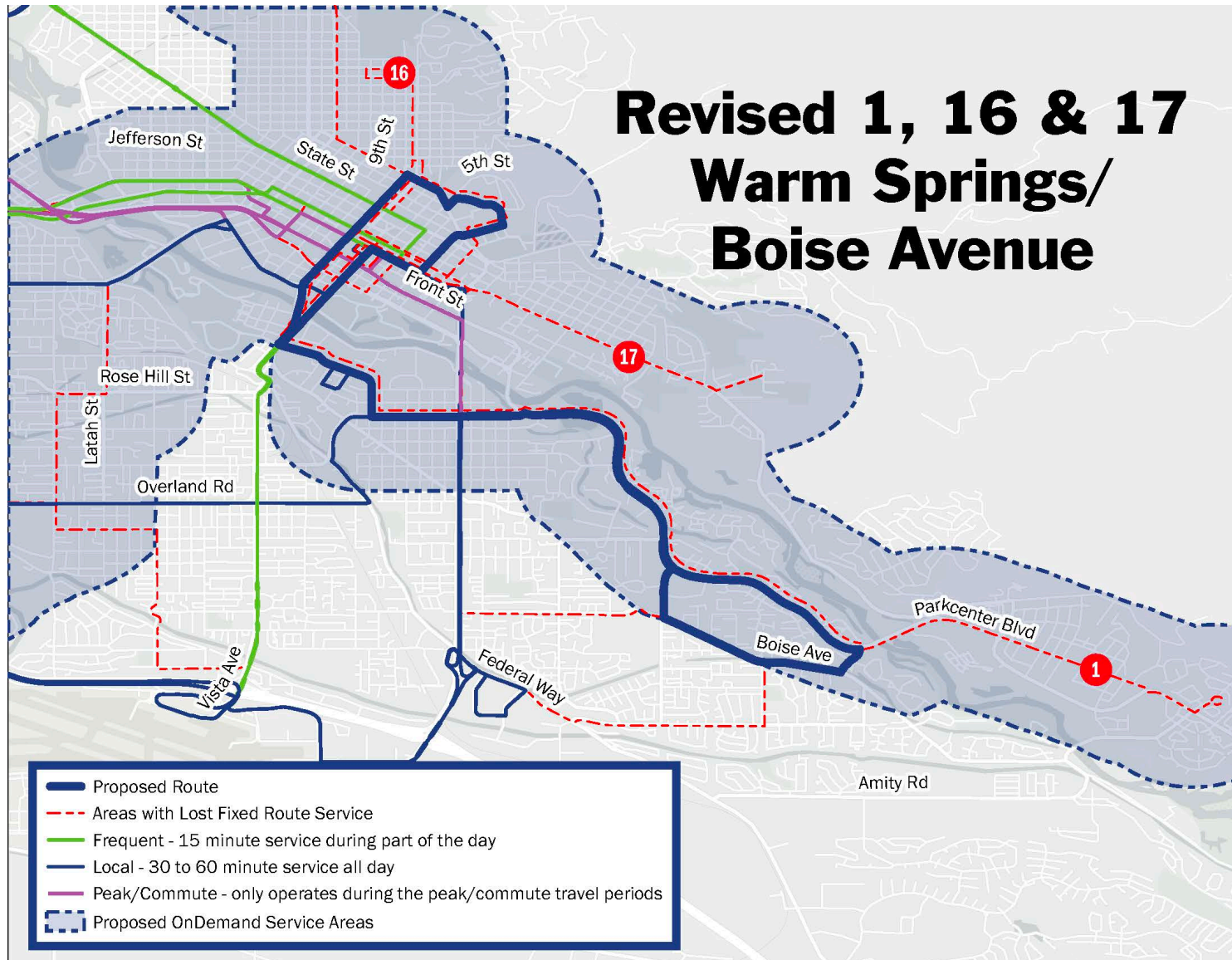
VRT Proposed Elimination of BV Bus Route (Route 1)

Gary Veasy, BVNA Vice-President

VRT Proposed Elimination of BV Bus Route



Revised 1, 16 & 17 Warm Springs/ Boise Avenue



VRT evaluating frequency and performance on its 18 routes

Impact to BV: Potential elimination of Route 1 in the BV

Route 1 is in the bottom 25% based on performance (ridership)

VRT Proposed Elimination of BV Bus Route



- “Better Bus Routes” proposals explained here: <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/d9f2c9e1f8c3495a8421eb89e947b7d7>
- You can vote/provide comments on *existing routes* here: <https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/fbc9f2522b0246a19338e1acf6f6b538>
- You can vote/provide comments on the *proposed route* changes here: <https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/0a456167ea3842d0b4993319c770c518>
- Website does not include a deadline for participating.
- BVNA board will consider taking a formal position in its work session tonight which may include support, objection, or support for a short term elimination with reconsideration in 12 months (or some other duration) when all our housing comes online



Barber Valley Neighborhood Transportation Plan

Rob Stark, BVNA Vice-President

BVNA Inquiry – SH21 Bridge Bike/Ped Facilities



- After extensive work by BVNA member Derek Smith, BVNA has determined that the pursuit of a bike/ped facility crossing the SH21 bridge is a 'bridge too far'
- Derek's work to outline the problem and propose solutions was great work
- From Idaho Transportation Department:
 - *This bridge was constructed in 1995 and meets design standards for vehicular traffic. It was not designed as a true multi-modal facility and the requested change will not fit the bridge deck area.*
- A separate bridge will need to be constructed to support safer bicycle and pedestrian crossings - future advocacy work for BVNA



Harris Ranch Community Infrastructure District

Rob Stark, BVNA Vice-President

Latest Ruling from Fourth Circuit Court – 25 April



- CID Taxpayer's Association has filed a second lawsuit with the Court and has stated it intends to appeal the first decision
- The full text (64 pages) of the most recent ruling [is here](#)

25 April Ruling Conclusion



For the foregoing reasons, the Court denies Petitioners' Petition for Judicial Review. While aggrieved homeowners have standing to challenge a CID's final decisions, they must do so within sixty days as required by Idaho Code section 50-3119. After this window closes, a CID's decisions are considered valid and uncontestable and a collateral attack on the legality of a CID's formation, prior project, or past decision cannot be the basis for a challenge to a new final decision.

Moreover, the Court finds the 2021 Resolutions are not in violation of the CID Act, the District's Development Agreement, the Idaho Constitution, or the United States Constitution. While the Court understands why Petitioners feel aggrieved by the *ad valorem* taxes levied pursuant to the 2021 Resolutions, the Court is also mindful that nobody is obligated to purchase property within the District and that a purchaser of real property "is charged with every fact shown by the records and is presumed to know every other fact which an examination suggested by the records would have disclosed." *W. Wood Invs., Inc. v. Acord*, 141 Idaho at 86, 106 P.3d at 412. As such, all claims in the Petition are denied and the Board's adoption of the 2021 Resolutions is affirmed. The Court denies Opponents' request for attorney fees as it finds Petitioners acted with a reasonable basis in fact or law.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 25th day of April 2023.

Pollinator Project

- If interested, they may still have mixes available



**MAKE AN
IMPACT**
in your ecosystem

JOIN THE TREASURE VALLEY POLLINATOR PROJECT



Get Pollinator Mixes

Choose from 4 mixes of flowers and grasses designed to attract a wild variety of pollinators, including beetles and butterflies. Each mix includes 32 plant starts. Turn your yard into a pollinator oasis and help our local insect species thrive!



Workshops and Classes

Gain access to pollinator workshops and field days throughout the year FOR FREE! These programs will help you make the vital, positive changes in your garden ecosystem that these species rely on.



Community Science Surveys

Participate in short surveys that help us monitor the species we are seeing, keep track of what's blooming, and see how great our community is at providing beneficial bug habitat.



You can have an impact on your local ecosystem. Purchase your flowers by May 2 and join the community effort to support our local pollinators.

SIGN UP AT:
www.adaswcd.org

Trees (Available free!)



- Treasure Valley Canopy Network <https://www.tvcanopy.net/>
- Elaine Clegg City of Trees Challenge www.CityOfTreesChallenge.org
- Boise Tree Captains <https://city-of-trees-challenge-boise.hub.arcgis.com/pages/boisetreecaptains>





Open Forum

What Didn't We Talk About That You Wanted to Hear About?

Or....

What Else Should We Be Working On?



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Meeting Wrap-up



Board Work Session

New Business



- Future BVNA testimony – “minority positions”

Discussed insuring all points of view are *considered* and board approved positions is represented in testimony and that timing is often critical so must weigh in promptly.

- Modern Zoning Code – BVNA Council Testimony

Stark to draft verbal testimony will be drafted for board reviewsimilar to P&Z but in a bit stronger tone

- BVNA position on VRT elimination of BV bus route

Board voted to have Hallam draft BVNA position letter. Several positions were discussed and final position (to oppose but offer no other alternatives we would support) was approved 5-3 (Hallam first; Swain second; Stark, Veasy, Tweedle opposed)

- Warm Springs Mesa – Nathan coordination with WSMNA?

Nothing current at this time

- Neighborhood Collaborative Meeting Summary - Roy

Tweedle provided summary which mostly centered around the Treasure Valley Tree Network - BVNA will share information in minutes email