Boise Bike Planning
Joint Meeting
Boise City Council/ACHD Commission

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Our Mission: We drive quality transportation for all Ada County...Anytime, Anywhere!
Purpose of this meeting

- ACHD Commission requested joint meeting to
  - Review continued coordinated bike lane efforts
  - Discuss next steps for Downtown Boise
Two-way conversions…signal/sign changes, too
- 3rd, 4th, 11th: Main to State
- 12th: Front to State, plus maintenance work
- Jefferson: Broadway to 5th

Maintenance work
- Capitol Blvd, Front to Jefferson: Overlay
- North End, Warm Springs, Walnut: Safe Sidewalks
  - Complete

Alley improvement
Why do this?

- Bikes are allowed on roads (Idaho Code §49–714)
- “Expected space” for bikes makes all road users safer
- Provide mobility options for all users, not just cars
Why Capitol/Main/Idaho/?
Bike Network
Existing & Planned

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Adopted DBIP Bike plans

- Main, Idaho & Capitol are ALL in the plan
  - Capitol: bike lane Boise River to Grove, shared to Jefferson
  - Main, Idaho: “bike route/shared route” 16th to Broadway
- Main St overlay pushed to 2016 (per adopted budget)
- 5th/6th are (remain) a one-way couplet
- Jefferson becomes 2-way in phases: bike lanes added
- Capitol Blvd…ACHD overlays Front to Jefferson this year
  - Bike lane remnants of Pilot Project sporadic in places
  - Confirm bus stop locations, deconflicts
  - Redesign transitions at intersections
Stakeholder Mission “Address the completion of a safe, viable bicycle network for cyclists of all comfort levels, providing option routes to and from the Boise city core. This network is intended to support commuting, shopping and recreational riding in harmony with all road users and in accordance with the law.”
Stakeholder Principles, Preferences, Priorities

- Education & Safety awareness key to all options

- **City of Boise**
  - Enhancing connections to the core from surrounding areas
  - Protecting bike lanes: w/ cars preferred, buffered acceptable
  - Reducing downtown bicycle speeds/traffic calming

- North–south connectivity essential (BSU and others)

- Main/Idaho need to serve surrounding businesses
  - Also: transit vehicles and riders

- Travel lanes could be narrowed, Consider transit stops

- **Downtown Businesses**
  - Parking is a big deal
  - Consider deliveries, ADA parking
  - Narrow lanes are OK; avoid parking garages w/ bike lanes

- “Share” Main/Idaho until construction is more mature
Proposal for Capitol Blvd
Starting south of Boise River

Capitol: Royal (Extended) to Across Boise River
Capitol: Boise River to River Street

CAPITOL BOULEVARD
BIKE LANE
Downtown Boise Implementation Plan

Figure 1A
Proposal for Capitol Blvd: 2-way cycle track to River St
Proposal for Capitol Blvd
Paint-buffered bike lanes
Proposal for Capitol Blvd: Paint–buffered bike lanes
Car-protected bike lane at City Hall
Bus Parking w/ BUFFERED Bikes at City Hall
Final Thoughts

- Boise, ACHD staffs working well together
  - Must enforce deadlines for committed efforts
  - Must account for substantial non-road work downtown
- Stakeholder meetings to continue
- Idaho law says bikes may ride any road
- Bike traffic will grow—make it safe for all users

Comments or questions?

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