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# Memorandum

To: Doug Camenisch, Parametrix  
From: Rosemary Curtin, RBCI  
Date: April 4, 2016  
Re: Broadway / Avenue B / Warm Springs Intersection | ACHD Project No. 315021  
Summary of Spring 2016 stakeholder meetings

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The project team recently conducted a series of meetings with stakeholders for the Broadway/Avenue B/Warm Springs intersection project. Interview participants included property owners, surrounding businesses, residents and other key individuals and groups. This was the second time the project team met one-on-one with key stakeholders – initial input was gathered through a series of interviews in fall 2015.

Combining public input with technical analysis and expertise, ACHD has developed and is evaluating alternatives for the Broadway/Warm Springs/Avenue B intersection. The stakeholder meetings were an opportunity to provide key stakeholders an update about the project and gather their input on the range of alternatives. The meetings also provided ACHD an opportunity to address key stakeholders' concerns, issues or questions.

## Interviews

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The purpose of the interviews was to gather input on the three recommended alternatives ACHD is evaluating for the Broadway/Warm Springs/Avenue B intersection. Through the interviews, RBCI learned and documented from key stakeholders:

- What they like about the alternatives
- What they do not like about the alternatives
- Suggestions, issues, concerns and questions

Key findings learned through listening to input from key stakeholders is presented on page 2 of this document. A list of interview participants, interview questions and a transcription of interview notes are included in the appendices of this document.

RBCI would like to thank all participants for their willingness to be open and gracious throughout the interview process.

## **Key Findings**

Key findings are the most important and insightful information learned from the process of meeting with stakeholders. The key findings have been developed by listening to meeting participants, transcribing notes, summarizing and identifying common themes.

- The most commonly supported improvement was the proposal to add a pedestrian pathway through Dona Larsen Park, for which there was nearly unanimous support.
- Nearly all participants were strongly against installing center medians. Many participants are concerned the medians would limit turning movements and access, which they believe would discourage customers from coming to their business.
- There were mixed comments about adding pedestrian crossings. Some participants said it was a good idea, while others were concerned that more crosswalks could result in longer delay for motorists.
- Several participants like the idea of adding a signal from Main Street onto southbound Broadway Avenue, but note that it must be carefully timed and coordinated to make it effective.
- Some participants question whether designated bicycle lanes are needed. Some question whether there is enough cyclist volume to warrant adding designated bike lanes; a few ask whether Broadway is truly the safest route for cyclists to use.

## Highlights of Stakeholder Meeting Responses

*The stakeholder meeting participants were asked to provide input on what they liked and did not like about three recommended alternatives for the Broadway/Warm Springs/Avenue B intersection. The following section summarizes the most commonly heard responses. While key themes for each question were identified, the responses between questions were sometimes contradictory.*

### What do you like about the alternatives?

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- Nearly all participants were very supportive of adding a pedestrian/bicycle pathway through Dona Larsen Park.
- Several participants like the idea of adding a right-turn signal from Main Street onto southbound Broadway Avenue.
- Several participants like the proposal to add pedestrian crossings across Broadway at Avenue B and Dona Larsen Park.
- No participants expressed concerns about removing the westbound to northbound free-running right turn from Warm Springs onto Avenue B.

### What do you not like about the alternatives?

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- Nearly all of the participants were strongly against installing center medians. Many businesses at the intersection rely heavily on vehicular traffic and they believe the medians would limit turning movements and access.
- Many participants were against bicycle lanes, and a few have a neutral position on this issue.
- A few participants were not supportive of the proposed signalized pedestrian crossings.

### Do you have any issues, concerns or suggestions for the alternatives?

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- Most of the participants are concerned installing medians would limit access and discourage customers from coming to their businesses, particularly walk-ins and elderly drivers. Several participants would like ACHD to consider adding cut-outs or breaks in the center median on Broadway to maintain access into Dona Larsen Park and nearby businesses.
- Several participants question whether there is enough cyclist volume to warrant adding designated bicycle lanes. Some commented there are other ways to get cyclists where they need to go in this area rather than directing them down Broadway Avenue – cyclists can easily get around the intersection.

- If a signal is installed at Main and Broadway, ensuring it is correctly timed is crucial to it being effective. The new signal must be carefully sequenced so it coordinates with all other signals at the intersection.
- Adding more crosswalks and traffic lights has potential to increase congestion and delays for vehicles.
- Preserve the concrete island in southwest corner of the intersection (at Main and Broadway) because many bicyclists and pedestrians wait at this island when crossing the intersection.
- Explore the idea of extending the pathway through Dona Larsen Park up Avenue C to Crawl Street.
- Adding a right-turn lane from northbound Broadway onto eastbound Warm Springs should be included as part of the proposed improvements. This turn lane is needed to relieve traffic backup at this leg of the intersection.

### **Other notable comments**

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- At the public meeting, it is important for the public to at least see and comment on the two alternatives that are recommended to be eliminated.
- Include the Downtown Boise Implementation Plan improvements on the maps of the alternatives at the public meeting.
- If the Downtown Boise Implementation Plan falls through, the East End Neighborhood Association would like ACHD to include improvements proposed for that project as part of the Broadway / Avenue B / Warm Springs intersection project.
- A few businesses think the intersection functions well as it is, but welcome the improvements if it results in more customers coming to their business complex. Some are concerned that losing parking spaces would negatively impact their customers.
- ACHD should coordinate with St. Luke's to ensure their proposed Master Plan improvements don't conflict with plans for the Avenue B intersection.

## Questions

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- How does this project interrelate to the Downtown Boise Implementation Plan?
- What is the total cross section size?
- What size will the center medians be? Will the medians be landscaped?
- Have decisions already been made about which improvements will be constructed?
- Has a “No Build” ever been selected for a roadway improvement project? If so, has it been successful?
- How will bike lanes be shown on the alternatives maps at the public meeting? Do the green lines indicate the bike lanes will, in actuality, be painted green?
- Why is a center median needed on Broadway Avenue?
- Can ACHD look at adjusting/moving the bicycle lanes on southbound Broadway Avenue to negate the need for a center median in front of Jackson’s entrance?
- Does Idaho state law require bicyclists to use designated buffered bicycle lanes if they are provided on a roadway?
- Has ACHD been in communication with Boise State about these improvements? Particularly creating a pathway through Dona Larsen Park and installing center medians? Is Boise State on board with these proposals?
- Would the pathway through Dona Larsen be bordered by a chain link fence to restrict people from entering the facility?
- How is ACHD paying for this project? Is ACHD paying for it through impact fees, or is the City of Boise paying for it?
- What source did the aerial photographs on the maps come from?
- Has ACHD been meeting with property owners surrounding the intersection to get their input on the proposed improvements?
- How many vehicles use the free-running right turn lane from Warm Springs onto Avenue B (average daily traffic count)?
- How wide will the bicycle lanes be?
- How many bicyclists travel on Broadway Avenue between Fort and Front streets each day? What is the official bicycle count at the intersection?
- Regarding the pathway through Dona Larsen Park:
  - Will pedestrians using the path have access to Dona Larsen Park?
  - What would the pathway look like?
  - How wide will the pathway be?
  - Would it require an easement or right-of-way from Boise State?
  - Can the pathway be moved closer to the edge of their right-of-way?
  - Who will maintain the pathway?
  - Can the pathway be changed in the future if Boise State makes reconfigurations to Dona Larsen Park?

- Can a break be put in the center median in front of Dona Larsen Park to provide turning access into the facility?
- If medians are installed, will U-turns be permitted at the Avenue B and Front Street intersections?
- Is there the possibility of including some minor improvements as part of the No Build alternative (i.e., micropaths, pedestrian crosswalks)?
- Will u-turns be allowed at Broadway and Myrtle?
- How would people get to the other side of the medians (travelling northbound or southbound on Broadway)?
- Can bicycle lanes be added to only one side of the roadway?
- Where will Jefferson Street be closed if the St. Luke's plan is approved? Will Bannock Street be reopened near St. Luke's as part of the plan?
- Can bicycle traffic be diverted around the Broadway / Avenue B / Warm Springs intersection?

## Appendices

## **Appendix A – Broadway/ Avenue B/ Warm Springs Interview Participants**

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- East End Neighborhood Association
- Hawkins Properties
- Jackson’s
- Dr. Ron Storey, Storey Chiropractic Clinic P.C.
- Jeff Hull, St. Luke’s Regional Medical Center
- Ken Howell, Parklane Apartments
- Jana Bateman, Jana’s Hair Cuttin’ Store
- Deli George
- Boise State University
- Courtyard Marriot
- Chick-Fil-A
- The Johnsons, owners of 231 E. Warm Springs. Ave.

## **Appendix B: Transcriptions of Interview Notes**

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### **East End Neighborhood Association**

Participants included: Tiffany Robb, President and eight East End Association members

Meeting date: Tuesday, February 23, 2016

Location: Adams Elementary | 1725 E Warm Springs Ave.

Project staff included: Rodney Ashby, ACHD; Doug Camenisch, Parametrix; Rosemary Curtin, RBCI

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### **General Comments**

- Overall, the East End Neighborhood Association was supportive of the two alternatives ACHD is recommending for further analysis.
  - They were generally supportive of the proposal to create a new ped/bike pathway through Dona Larsen Park. Some participants had concerns that the connection could encourage more people to park in their neighborhood during events.
  - Asked ACHD to preserve the concrete island in southwest corner of the intersection (at Main and Broadway).
    - Many bikes/peds use this island to wait when crossing the intersection.
  - Discussed how the proposed new right-turn signal from Main onto southbound Broadway would be timed.
    - Emphasized that the timing of this signal is critical and must be carefully sequenced so it coordinates with all other signals at the intersection.
  - Some participants were concerned that if there are too many new ped/bike crossings it could result in traffic delay for motorists.
- For the public meeting, they asked ACHD to show all five alternatives that have been evaluated.
  - Think it is important for the public to see and comment on the alternatives that are recommended to be eliminated.
  - Requested that for the public meeting, ACHD include the Downtown Boise Implementation Plan improvements on maps of the Avenue B alternatives.
- If Downtown Boise Implementation Plan falls through, the East End Neighborhood Association would like ACHD to include improvements proposed for that project as part of the Avenue B intersection project.

### **Questions**

- How is the Avenue B project related to the Downtown Boise Implementation Plan?
- What is the total cross section size?
- What size will the center medians be? Will the medians be landscaped?

### **Hawkins Properties**

Participants included: Steve Cannariato and additional Hawkins Properties employees

Meeting date: Monday, February 29, 2016

Location: 855 W. Broad Street, Suite 300

Project staff included: Rodney Ashby, ACHD; Doug Camenisch, Parametrix; Rosemary Curtin, RBCI

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### **General Comments**

- Not supportive of installing center medians. If the center medians were not included, they would be more supportive of the alternatives/proposed improvements.
  - They believe the median would be very detrimental to businesses in their newly constructed shopping complex (111 Broadway Avenue).
  - The businesses in this complex rely heavily on vehicular traffic (most customers drive to get to the strip mall). Losing customers could cause businesses in the complex to close down.
  - Don't want anything to hinder the success of this new business complex; they have invested a great amount of money and resources in the complex.
  - Are concerned median barriers could be a case for partial condemnation.
- Supportive of the proposed pedestrian improvements.
  - Really like the idea of creating a new pedestrian pathway through Dona Larsen Park – it makes sense.
- Not unsupportive of the bicycle lanes; question whether they are really needed.
  - They believe there are not enough bicyclists on Broadway Avenue to warrant adding designated buffered lanes.
  - There are other ways to get bicyclists where they need to go in this area rather than directing them down Broadway Avenue.
  - Cyclists can easily get around the intersection.
- Happy that no right-of-way will be taken from their property.
  - Losing parking spots could have a significant impact on their business.
  - Widening the roadway is not an alternative.
- Very supportive of the proposal to install a right-turn signal for vehicles turning from Main Street onto southbound Broadway Avenue.
- They believe the intersection functions well as it is today. But they would like it if improvements result in more customers coming to their business complex.

### **Questions**

- Have decisions already been made about which improvements will be constructed?
- Has a "No Build" ever been selected for a roadway improvement project? If so, has it been successful?
- How will bike lanes be shown on the alternatives maps at the public meeting? Do the green lines indicate the bike lanes will, in actuality, be painted green?

### **Follow Up Required**

- Need to send them Rodney Ashby's contact information (email to Steve).

### **Jackson's**

Participants included: Brody Kesler-Mauch, Regional Director and five Jackson's employees

Meeting date: Monday, February 29, 2016

Location: 3450 E Commercial Court

Project staff included: Rodney Ashby, ACHD; Doug Camenisch, Parametrix; Rosemary Curtin, RBCI

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### **General Comments**

- Concerned and not supportive of the proposed center median on Broadway Avenue (between Front and Ave. B intersection).
  - The median would significantly impact the entrance to Jackson's from Broadway Avenue. The majority of their customers use this access point to turn in and out of their parking lot.
  - If installed, the median would prevent drivers from making a left-hand turn from Broadway into their parking lot.
  - They believe a median would result in impacts that would ultimately cause Jackson's to close this location. They are the only 24/7 gas station in the area, and the neighborhood would lose out if Jackson's has to close this location.
  - Other than at peak travel times, a median is really not needed in this area.
- Have concerns about adding buffered bicycle lanes. In theory, buffered lanes give the appearance of safety, but in practice they can still be dangerous to travel in.
  - Discussed possibility of adjusting bicycle lanes so the center median won't run in front of their entrance.
  - They suggested adding five more feet of right-of-way to the roadway in order to accommodate bicyclists.
- Really liked the roundabout alternative. This option would make access in and out of Jackson's easier than it currently is.
- Liked the proposal to add a right-turn signal from Main onto southbound Broadway.
  - If the signal is timed well, it may reduce the need to install a median on Broadway Avenue.
- Like the proposed pedestrian crossings.

### **Questions**

- Why is a center median needed on Broadway Avenue?
- Can ACHD look at adjusting/moving the bicycle lanes on southbound Broadway Avenue to negate the need for a center median in front of the Jackson's entrance?
- Does Idaho state law require bicyclists to use designated buffered bicycle lanes?

### **Follow Up Required**

- Requested accident data for their parking lot access point on Broadway Avenue (regarding concerns about center median).
- Requested information about why the medians were recommended in the St. Luke's development agreement (traffic study conducted by St. Luke's).
- Asked if ACHD could provide them with a drawing/design of the roundabout alternative before the public meeting.

**Storey Chiropractic Clinic P.C.**

Participants included: Ron Storey, Owner and his associate

Meeting date: Tuesday, March 1, 2016

Location: 50 S. Broadway Avenue

Project staff included: Rodney Ashby, ACHD; Doug Camenisch, Parametrix; Rosemary Curtin, RBCI

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**General Comments**

- If his business is impacted in any way by this project, ACHD will need to buy his entire property.
  - Affecting even one of his entrances makes his business absolutely inaccessible.
- Not supportive of adding designated bicycle lanes.
  - More bike lanes don't make sense in this area.
  - There are not enough cyclists traveling on Broadway to warrant installing lanes.
  - Doesn't understand how such a small minority (bicyclists) can have so much influence over significant decisions that will affect businesses and the larger community.
  - Thinks that bicyclists do not obey the rules of the road.
- Is not supportive of the proposed signalized pedestrian crossings or new traffic signals.
  - Thinks adding more crosswalks and traffic lights will increase congestion and delays for vehicles.
- Very supportive of the proposal to create a new bike/ped pathway through Dona Larsen Park – really likes this idea.
- Not supportive of installing center medians – does not like this idea at all.
- Is happy that ACHD is recommending the Roundabout Alternative be eliminated.
  - Believes that a roundabout does not fit Boise – this configuration is better suited for a place like Europe or Portland.

### **St. Luke's Regional Medical Center**

Participants included: Jeff Hull, Director of Architecture and Construction

Meeting date: Monday, March 7, 2016

Location: 190 E. Bannock Street

Project staff included: Rodney Ashby, ACHD; Doug Camenisch, Parametrix; Kate Nice, RBCI

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### **General Comments**

- Supportive of the proposed improvements (alternatives) that are being presented.
  - Prefers Alternative B (Bike/Ped & Intersection) – offered to provide ACHD a formal written statement regarding St. Luke's position on the alternatives.
- Very supportive of the proposal to create a pathway through Dona Larsen Park.
  - Suggested that ACHD might want to explore extending the pathway up Avenue C to Crawl Street.
    - The St. Luke's Master Plan includes improvements in this area.
    - Elaine Clegg (Boise City Councilmember) is exploring this same pathway. She is also looking at whether right-of-way can be obtained to add a pathway through the cemetery on Warm Springs.
- St. Luke's is proposing to create "micropaths" on 1<sup>st</sup> Street and behind the 111 Broadway business complex as part of their Master Plan. Trying to move foot traffic from their parking garages over to 1<sup>st</sup> Street because St. Luke's has security guards in this area.
- The St. Luke's Development Agreement is going to be published the week of March 7 and it will be available online.
  - It will include all information about phasing for the Master Plan.
  - Page 35 of the agreement describes the St. Luke's micropaths.
- St. Luke's wants to coordinate with ACHD to ensure their Master Plan improvements don't conflict with the Avenue B intersection project.
  - St. Luke's is planning to install the "cycle track" and doesn't want it to be impacted by ACHD's improvements for the Avenue B project.
  - Discussed possibility of finishing the bike/ped improvements by setting up a funding account with ACHD.
- He recently received a phone call from Hawkins Properties in which they expressed their concerns about the proposed center medians.
- Does not have concerns about removing the free-running right from Warm Springs onto Avenue B.
  - He thinks there aren't many vehicles that use this free-running right turn lane.

### **Questions**

- Has ACHD been meeting with property owners surrounding the Avenue B intersection to get their input on the proposed improvements?
- How many vehicles use the free-running right-turn lane from Warm Springs onto Avenue B (average daily traffic count)?

### **Follow Up Required**

- Jeff requested that ACHD/Parametrix/RBCI email him a copy of the maps being presented at the public meeting.

- ACHD and Parametrix will read St. Luke's Development Agreement (page 35) to learn more about the proposed micropaths. May add this information to the display boards (maps) for the Avenue B March 31 public open house.

### **Parklane Management Company**

Participants included: Ken Howell, Manager of residential properties near Ave. B intersection

Meeting date: Monday, March 7, 2016

Location: 310 Redwood Court

Project staff included: Rodney Ashby, ACHD; Doug Camenisch, Parametrix; Kate Nice, RBCI

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### **General Comments**

- Very supportive of the proposal to create a pathway through Dona Larsen Park.
  - Wanted to know if pedestrians using the path would have access to Dona Larsen Park. Boise State keeps very strict access to Dona Larsen Park when there are no events – he would like to see more open access.
- Concerned about the proposed center medians – believes it would restrict access in and out of the Parklane Apartments (located on Broadway).
  - Wanted to know if ACHD had received Boise State's input on the proposal to install center medians.
- Supportive of the bike/ped improvements, but is conflicted because he recognizes it would require removing left turning access in and out of his apartment complex.
- Concerned about losing on-street parking for his apartment tenants.
  - Will look at possibility of getting on-street parking on Avenue C.
- Likes the idea of adding a parking lot in southeast corner of the Avenue B intersection (if ACHD buys the Storey Chiropractic property) – but he understands this would be a very expensive option.

### **Questions**

- Has ACHD been in communication with Boise State about these improvements? Particularly creating a pathway through Dona Larsen Park and installing center medians? Is Boise State on board with these proposals?
- Would the pathway through Dona Larsen be bordered by a chain link fence to restrict people from entering the facility?
- How is ACHD paying for this project? Is ACHD paying for it through impact fees, or is the City of Boise paying?
- What source did the aerial photographs on the maps come from?

### **Follow Up Required**

- Requested that the project team email him the postcard for the public meeting and the maps when they are complete.

**Jana's Hair Cuttin' Store**

Participants included: Jana Bateman, Owner

Meeting date: Monday, March 7, 2016

Location: 210 S Broadway Avenue

Project staff included: Rodney Ashby, ACHD; Doug Camenisch, Parametrix; Rosemary Curtin, RBCI

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**General Comments**

- Not supportive of adding center medians – she believes it would significantly impact access in and out of her business.
  - The majority of her customers use the center turn lane on Broadway to access her salon. Believes it is important to keep the “left in, left out” turning movements.
  - Her salon has been operating for 27 years, and she owns the property.
  - Believes a median would discourage her customers from coming to her salon, particularly walk-ins and elderly drivers.
- Doesn't see many bicyclists traveling on this section of Broadway, but there are quite a few pedestrians.
- Supportive of adding a pathway through Dona Larsen Park and pedestrian crossings across Broadway and Avenue B.
  - There is a need for these improvements because she sees many pedestrians coming from or going to Dona Larsen Park.
- Asks that ACHD “use common sense” when making decisions about improving this intersection.

**Deli George**

Participants included: George Blumenschein and George Jr. Blumenschein, Owners and one other employee

Meeting date: Thursday, March 17, 2016

Location: 220 S. Broadway Avenue

Project staff included: Rodney Ashby, ACHD; Doug Camenisch, Parametrix; Kate Nice, RBCI

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**General Comments**

- Not supportive of the alternatives and very concerned about how the potential improvements have been designed. The focus needs to be on accommodating increased traffic volumes through the intersection rather than bicyclists.
  - There are three major event centers surrounding the Broadway /Avenue B / Warm Springs intersection that generate high volumes of vehicular traffic.
  - The new widened Broadway Bridge will create a “superhighway” until Front Street when it narrows down to two lanes – this will make the existing bottleneck even worse.
  - Not designing the intersection now to accommodate increased traffic is a mistake that ACHD will have to come back and fix in several years.
  - Adding bicycle lanes doesn’t make sense and isn’t safe because traffic at the intersection is going to greatly increase with all the new development in the area.
  - They were very disappointed in the alternatives that were presented to them – said that ACHD could have made much smarter decisions when designing ideas for improving the intersection.
  - ACHD is appeasing a minority of the community (i.e., bicyclists, East End residents) instead of those who travel through the intersection by car.
- It is extremely important to have a right-turn lane from northbound Broadway onto eastbound Warm Springs. This is a necessity because there are horrible traffic backups at this leg of the intersection.
  - This traffic backup makes it very difficult for their customers and employees to make a right-turn out of the Deli George parking lot – sometimes it takes up to fifteen minutes to turn out onto Broadway.
  - At the very least, this one improvement needs to be made to improve traffic flow through the intersection.
  - Not opposed to adding right-of-way or width to Broadway to accommodate additional turn lanes onto Warm Springs.
- There are many vehicles that make left-turns from the center turn land on Broadway Avenue south of the intersection. Vehicles that stop on Broadway to make left-turns cause backups and prevent vehicles from making left turns at the Broadway/ Avenue B / Warm Springs intersection.
  - During St. Luke’s shift changes there are many vehicles that turn left from Broadway into the parking garage next to the Hawkins business complex.
  - They see many vehicles turning left into the 111 Broadway business complex and Jackson’s.
  - They see many accidents and “near misses” caused by these types of left-hand turns.
  - They see many more left-in turning movements than left-out turns.
- Very supportive of creating a pathway through Dona Larsen Park.
- Are concerned about adding a pedestrian crossing on Broadway near Dona Larsen Park.
  - Adding a crosswalk could cause traffic congestion in front of their business.
  - If a crosswalk is added it should be a flashing yellow signal (like the one at Main and Idaho) instead of a solid red light.
- Are not unsupportive of adding bicycle lanes so long as improvements are also made to accommodate more traffic.

- Not supportive of adding center medians on Broadway Avenue.
  - Would prefer the roadway be widened for adding turn lanes at the intersection rather than adding medians. At the very least, a right-turn needs to be added from Broadway onto Warm Springs.
  - Very concerned about emergency responders being able to navigate through heavy traffic if there are median barriers on Broadway Avenue.
  - Not supportive of the No Build alternative because they recognize that something needs to be done – however, adding center medians is not the answer to the problem.

### **Questions**

- How wide will the bicycle lanes be?
- How many bicyclists travel on Broadway Avenue between Fort and Front streets each day? What is the official bicycle count at the intersection?

### **Boise State University**

Participants included: Sam Patterson, Traffic & Event Manager, and Drew Alexander, Capital Planner

Meeting date: Thursday, March 17, 2016

Location: 1910 University Drive

Project staff included: Rodney Ashby, ACHD; Doug Camenisch, Parametrix; Kate Nice, RBCI

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### **General Comments**

- Very supportive of adding a pathway through Dona Larsen Park. However, there are several issues/questions that need to be confirmed before Boise State makes an official decision.
  - Concerned about what the pathway would look like and whether it would require an easement or right-of-way.
  - Would like the pathway to be moved closer to the edge of their right-of-way.
  - Boise State staff will continue to have internal discussions over the next few weeks as they learn more details about the pathway.
- Have concerns about adding center medians. There are at least 30 events a year at Dona Larsen Park, in which many vehicles make left-in and left-out turns.
  - Many shuttles turn in and out of Dona Larsen Park due to limited parking at the facility.
  - Drivers coming from northbound Broadway would have great difficulty accessing Dona Larsen Park if there are center medians.
  - Wanted to know if U-turns will be permitted if the medians are installed. They are concerned about this because their shuttles are too large to make U-turns.
  - Sam and his staff will test drive the alternate routes to determine how long it will take.
- Suggested adding cut-outs or breaks in the center medians to allow left-turn movements in and out of the park.
  - Consider the option of installing removable bollards in the break, and then removing during events at Dona Larsen.
- Seem to be okay with adding additional right-of-way to accommodate bicycle lanes so long as left-turn access is maintained for Dona Larsen Park.

### **Questions**

- Asked several questions about the pathway through Dona Larsen Park:
  - What would the pathway look like?

- How wide will the pathway be?
- Would it require an easement or right-of-way from Boise State?
- Can the pathway be moved closer to the edge of their right-of-way?
- Who will maintain the pathway?
- Can the pathway be changed in the future if Boise State makes reconfigurations to Dona Larsen Park?
- Can a break be put in the center median in front of Dona Larsen Park to provide turning access into the facility?
- If medians are installed, will U-turns be permitted at the Avenue B and Front Street intersections?
- Is there the possibility of including some minor improvements as part of the No Build alternative (i.e., micropaths, pedestrian crosswalks)?
- Can bicycle lanes be added to only one side of the roadway?
- Asked several questions about St. Luke's Master Development Plan:
  - Where will Jefferson Street be closed if this plan is approved?
  - Will Bannock Street be reopened near St. Luke's as part of the plan?

**Follow Up**

- Sam requested RBCI email him the invitation postcard for the public meeting so he can forward it to Boise State staff.

**Chick-Fil-A**

Participants included: Broadway Location Manager and Franklin Road Location Manager

**Courtyard Marriot**

Participants included: Vicki Carley, Area Director of Sales and Natalie Harl, Area Sales Analyst

Meeting date: Monday, March 21, 2016

Location: 300 S. Broadway Avenue

Project staff included: Rodney Ashby, ACHD; Doug Camenisch, Parametrix; Rosemary Curtin, RBCI

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**General Comments**

- Concerned about installing center medians because it would limit access into their parking lot.
  - Suggested adding cut-outs or breaks in the center medians to allow left-turn movements in and out of the park.
  
- Recognize the need for adding bicycle lanes and support this proposed improvement.
  - Would prefer adding bicycle lanes and not installing median barriers.
  - Supportive of adding right-of-way to widen the roadway. There was a willingness to discuss the purchase of right-of-way so long as they maintain access (i.e., no medians).
  - Would like to see an option developed that takes this into account.
  
- Had some doubt as to whether the proposed alternatives will really improve functionality of the intersection.
  - Most of the people who use the intersection do not live close to it – their input should be given equal weight as to those who surround it (i.e., East End residents).

**Questions**

- If medians are installed, will U-turns be permitted at the Avenue B and Front Street intersections?
- Can bicycle traffic be diverted around the Avenue B intersection?

**Follow Up**

- Asked ACHD to develop an option that includes widening the roadway and acquiring right-of way.

**The Johnsons (owner of 231 E. Warm Springs. Ave)**

Participants included: Rod Johnson and his wife

Meeting date: Tuesday, March 22, 2016

Location: 231 E. Warm Springs

Project staff included: Rodney Ashby, ACHD; Doug Camenisch, Parametrix; Rosemary Curtin, RBCI

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**General Comments**

- The Johnsons own a non-residential property on Warm Springs, but they live in Sacramento.
- Concerned about losing their street parking. They do have off-street parking, but it would still be an impact to lose their street parking.
- Currently have issues with other area residents using the parking in front of their property, but this has improved since the parking was changed from unrestricted to two-hour limit.
- Requested that there be a one to two-hour restriction for parking.
- The sidewalk near their property is heavily used by pedestrians.
- Inquired about the status of the historic arch over Warm Springs Avenue.

**Questions**

- What is the width of the cross section in front of their property?
- Where do people park when going to events at Dona Larsen Park?