



City of Twin Falls

Transportation Master Plan

Technical Advisory Committee

TAC Meeting #4 Results

Monday, March 10, 2008

(Committee comments in red italics)

1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Office
136 Maxwell (Near Rock Creek)

I. Welcome, Introductions and Opening Remarks (Mike Pepper)

Purpose of the meeting:

- *To provide an update on the status of the plan development*
- *To present updated transportation system goals*
- *To present and discuss desired future conditions and improvement alternatives*

Attendance

- **Committee**
 - Bill Kyle
 - Rick Dunn
 - Bill Crafton
 - Rod Mathis
 - Dave Burgess
 - Troy Vitek
- **City Staff**
 - Jackie Fields, City Engineer
 - Bruce Stephens, Street Department
 - Dennis Bowyer, Parks and Recreation
- **Consultant Team**
 - Kyle Comer, Civil Science
 - Rob Ramsey, Civil Science
 - Matt Riffkin, InterPlan
 - Mike Pepper, KMP Planning
 - Stan Crawforth, American Geotechnics

II. Planning Process Status (Mike Pepper / Kyle Comer)

- Primary goal of the TMP process: *To identify the capital facility improvements, pavement management plan and supporting policies to meet the Twin Falls transportation facility needs for the next 25-30 years*
- Where we are in the process – Mike presented the status and next steps to complete the transportation planning process

III. Transportation System Goals

- Review of updated system goals

IV. Existing Conditions Review

- Roadway system classification / Connectivity
 - *Hankins north of Falls- discussion if this should be a collector or arterial.*
 - *3300 north of Falls- decision from Jackie Fields to leave as is.*
 - *Show No. College as a collector road from Blue Lakes to Locust*
- Level of Service

- Intersection hot spots
 - *Include 2nd Ave. intersections as part of hot spot #5.*
 - *Add East 5 points intersection hot spot list.*
 - *Add Falls and Hankins intersection to hot spot list.*
- Specific roadway deficiencies – will be addressed as part of the final plan recommendations

V. Future Conditions at 2030 with no build of improvements

- Roadway system classification / Connectivity
- Level of Service
 - *Revisit level of service for South West quadrant (SH-74 between Washington Street and Grandview) to include potential development of 1500 New lots in this area.*

VI. Short Term – Pre-planned Projects

- As identified by City / Relationship to the planning process and recommendations

VII. Long-term Desired Future Conditions at 2030 with improvements

- General roadway classification changes
 - *Eliminate ¼ mile collectors south and north side of Pole Line between Grandview and Rock Creek (state allows access only at ½ mile location)*
- General Level of Service changes – *none recommended different than proposed*
- General intersection function changes
 - *Consider roundabouts in new developed areas rather than signals because R/W may be easier to acquire.*
 - *Consider related R.O.W needs when planning roundabouts, etc.*
- Updated street cross sections and standards
 - *Landscape Buffer*
 - *Hardscape is okay*
 - *Don't prefer the use of plantings due to water demands and maintenance issues.*
 - *Support additional 2' back of sidewalk for additional utility space.*
 - *Use 116' for truck route*
 - *Consider impacts to property when complying with current landscaping requirement at 30' back of sidewalk (gateway arterials).*
 - *Possible change in landscaping ordinance- reduce appropriately to continue to allow space for building construction and business operation, while providing landscaping*
- Bike / Pedestrian system changes
 - *Retain path on Madrona from Falls to Stadium.*
 - *More discussion needed- Jackie and Dennis to review and provide additional comment regarding the bike/pedestrian system needs and recommendations, also collect comments during the Public Meeting.*
- “On Street” bike and ped facilities will be included as part of the Transportation Master Plan
- “Off Street” bike and ped facilities will be included as part of the Comprehensive Plan

VIII. Improvement Alternatives – see handouts (revised alternatives) provided prior to the meeting

- 2030 with City Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Projects
 - Clarify / Add to the CIP-
 - *Addison Ave. - Widen to 5 lanes between Morningside and Juniper.*
 - *Extend Hankins widening from Filer to Falls on east side.*
 - *Incorporate southeast truck route issues.*
- A) City CIP
- B) 2030 with CIP plus alternatives #1 -
- C) 2030 with CIP plus alternatives #2
 - *Technical Advisory Committee Consensus for Alternatives / Plan recommendations*
 - i. *First Priority – City CIP and Alternative #2 - short term top/upper priority projects that are most effective (cost/benefit) at “getting the red out” to improve the level of service (including the City’s list of projects in the CIP). Also, add for the public meeting, updated project costs, show benefits for each alternative compared to each of the goals*

- ii. *Next Priority - midterm projects that are part of alternative #2, but are not quite as effective at “getting the red out”*
- iii. *Long term – Alternative #1 - 2nd Ave./ U.S. 30 change – pending funding and community support*

- *Add in new projects identified in committee meetings*
- *Include financing alternatives to improve Locust and Fillmore*
- *Include the intersection hot spot improvement projects*
- *Include activities that address deficiencies*
- *Include the list of signal improvements*

IX. Preliminary Supporting Policies

- Pedestrian Safety
- Arterial widening to include accel / decel lanes
- Angle street closures
 - *Close some, perhaps, based on further technical evaluation.*
 - *Continue to meet emergency access needs.*
 - *Blue Lakes Widening may drive some closures.*

X. Plan Implementation

- Application of the plan to the street system was discussed

XI. Asset Management Program Status

XII. Next Steps

- Consider both TAC and CAC input
- Refine alternatives to draft recommendations
- Develop complete list of policies
- Develop funding strategies
- Next TAC Mtg. - April 14th

Thanks for your continued participation!