



## STAR TRANSPORTATION & PATHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Star City Hall 10769 W. State St, Star, Idaho  
Wednesday, November 6, 2024  
9:00 AM

### 1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

#### ATTENDEES:

- COUNCILPERSON JENNIFER SALMONSON
- SHAWN NICKEL – PLANNING DIRECTOR
- RYAN MORGAN – CITY ENGINEER
- JOHN TENSEN – COMMITTEE CHAIR
- JON TURNIPSEED - COMMITTEE MEMBER
- RICHARD GIRARD - COMMITTEE MEMBER
- CHRIS TODD - COMMITTEE MEMBER
- STEVE BURTON - COMMITTEE MEMBER
- BELLA LOERA – ACHD
- KRISTY INSELMAN – ACHD
- MARK WASDAHL – ITD
- AARON BAUGES – ITD
- VINCENT TRIMBOLI - ITD

2. **Review and approve minutes of last meeting** – Moved by Todd to approve the minutes. Second by Girard. Motion Passed.
3. **Highway District 4** – Table
4. **ACHD Update** – The Integrated Five Year Work Plan was adopted on September 25. The plan includes Completion of Star Road to Hwy 20/26.
5. **Pathway Master Plan Update** – Via email, Nicolette Womack of Kimley Horn reported that public comment has been closed. ACHD has recently sent in comments. All proposed changes will be reviewed with City Staff. Staff will decide if a special meeting with the Committee is necessary. Final presentation to the City Council will be November 15 with the item on the agenda for the November 19<sup>th</sup> public meeting for approval.
6. **ITD Transportation Projects Update** – See attached memo at the bottom of these minutes outlining key projects in the City of Star area. In addition to the statements on the memo presented by Mark Wasdahl, the following was discussed. The US20/26 from Middleton Road to Star Road is approximately 5.5 miles, split into 2 zones and currently estimated at \$260M. The Highway 16 project south of Hwy 20/26 to the freeway will be completed at the end of 2026 and allow for one outage instead of two. The Highway 16 project north of Hwy 44 have 60 to 70 property owners to work with for easement negotiations. After Federal review, best estimate for construction is to start in 2028. The Highway 44, Star Road to Hwy 16 project is estimated to cost \$8 to 10M for construction.
7. **Downtown Mobilization Plan**-Shawn – Table
8. **STATUS UPDATE**
  - a. **Star Road**

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- i. Widening Concept Study-Ryan/Mayor – See ACHD report.
- ii. Pathway -Main to Hwy 44 – Tabled.
- b. Hwy 44**
  - i. Widening- Hwy 16 to Star Road-Ryan/Mayor- See ITD report.
  - ii. Palmer Signal installation- Tabled.
  - iii. Moyle Signal installation- Tabled.
  - iv. Star Road/Hwy 44 Intersection – Tabled.
  - v. HWY 16/Hwy 44 Intersection – Tabled.
- c. Hwy 16 -**
  - i. Environmental Study Hwy 44 to Emmett- See ITD report.
  - ii. Extension from Highway to Freeway – See ITD report.
- d. North Star Highway** – Remove from agenda.
- e. Pathway Agreements** – Ryan
  - i. Pioneer Ditch Company – Tabled.
  - ii. Eureka Water Company - Tabled
- 9. Development Review Recommendations** – Richard – Tabled.
- 10. Support Document** – A revised document was sent to Bruce Bayne to get his input on the content of the document. To date, there has been no reply from Bruce. Steve will attend the Highway District 4 Director’s Meeting on November 20.
- 11. Announcement/Discussion /Other** – None that pertained to this Committee.
- 12. NEXT MEETING – DECEMBER 4, 2024 AT 9:00 A.M.**
- 13. ADJOURN – 11:15 AM**

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### MEMO TO STAR TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

**From:** Mark Wasdahl, Senior Planner, ITD District 3 **Meeting Date:** November 6, 2024

**Topic:** ITD Transportation Projects Update

Below is a summary/update on significant Idaho Transportation Department transportation and roadway projects within the of City of Star area. For more details on each project, visit <https://itdprojects.idaho.gov>

#### KEY ITD PROJECTS

**ChindenWest Corridor:** This project will result in 4 travel lanes (two in each direction). Widening will take place to the south of the existing alignment and be constructed to accommodate future widening to 6 travel lanes (three in each direction) with high-capacity intersections at roads with river crossings.

#### US-20, US-26, CHINDEN BLVD; I-84 to MIDDLETON RD (Key No. 22165):

- All travel lanes are open from the Smeed intersection to I-84 in both directions.
- The final wingwall is under construction at the Solomon Drain, after placement is cured and backfilled the pathway at KCID intersection can be completed.
- Paving on the south side of the roadway can then be completed along with median island work between Borchers and KCID after the Solomon is completed.
- South Middleton Rd is under closure until the end of October when Skyway intersection roundabout (City of Caldwell project) opens which is allowing work to complete the intersection of US20/26.
- City of Caldwell Waterline work is complete.
- Signal work at KCID and Ward is currently ongoing; I-84, Aviation, Smeed and Middleton signals are complete.
- Median Island is 90% complete project wide.

Project Manager: Cheri Mansayon, District 3 Design & Construction 3,  
[cheri.mansayon@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:cheri.mansayon@itd.idaho.gov)

#### US-20, US-26, CHINDEN BLVD; MIDDLETON RD to STAR RD (Key No. 23337):

- Final design for east and west packages were completed in September and October 2023.
- PS&E is scheduled for late 2025 for the east (new Key No. 23410) and west (new Key No. 24309) packages.
- Project is currently funded for construction in FY29 and FY30

Project Manager: Jeff Nettleton, Transportation Expansion and Congestion Mitigation (TECM),  
[jeff.nettleton@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:jeff.nettleton@itd.idaho.gov)



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### **Idaho Highway 16 extension, U.S. 20/26 to I-84:**

- I-84 to Franklin (Key No. 23410) construction underway on the new I-84 interchange between Garrity and Ten Mile and widening Franklin Rd. Contract completion date is Winter 2024.

Project Manager: Jeff Ryan, District 3 Design & Construction B, [Jeff.Ryan@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:Jeff.Ryan@itd.idaho.gov)

- **Ustick to Chinden (Key No. 23408) construction underway.** Contract completion date is Fall of 2026. Work started on the US 20/26 and SH 16 Interchange Bridge. McDermott Bypass at Ustick is now open, and the McDermott and Ustick intersection is now shifted east. This intersection has temporary signals and will soon have permanent signals. US 20/26 (Chinden) will have 4-lanes including the use of north ramps before winter. Expect some US 20/26 restrictions in this area during construction of ramps and the bridge over the next 18 months. Construction for widening Ustick at SH 16 will begin this winter.
- **Franklin to Ustick (Key No. 23409) construction underway.** Contract completion date is Fall of 2026. Work on the railroad bridge north of Franklin continues and girders should be placed in the next few months. Crews continue working on the Cherry Lane Bridge overpass, Quasi Place Bridge over Ten Mile Creek, and SH 16 Bridge over Ten Mile Creek.

Project Manager: Dan Gorley, District 3 Design & Construction D, [Dan.Gorley@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:Dan.Gorley@itd.idaho.gov)

### **Idaho Highway 16 Environmental Reevaluation (Key No. 23175):**

- Second round of project open houses held August 1 and August 5.
- Affected property owner meetings began October 3 and are continuing through November 6.
- Environmental reports in process or in review.
- Third and final round of project open houses anticipated in January 2025.
- Completion anticipated in Spring 2025.

Project Manager: Mark Wasdahl, District 3 Planning & Scoping, [mark.wasdahl@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:mark.wasdahl@itd.idaho.gov)

### **Idaho Highway 16 Design, JCT SH-16/SH-44 to Beacon Light Road (Key No. 23175):**

- RFP for design services posted October 24 with due date of November 21: [REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF INTEREST](#)
- Anticipated consultant selection in December and executing contract no later than February 2025

Project Manager: Mark Wasdahl, District 3 Planning & Scoping, [mark.wasdahl@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:mark.wasdahl@itd.idaho.gov)

### **State Highway 44 Corridor:**

**SH-44 Corridor Study, Star Road to West State Street (Key No. 07827):** This project will provide the environmental clearance (CatEx) for construction project SH-44, Star Road to State Highway 16 (Key No. 20574).

- CatEx document has been written and has undergone two reviews by District 3 Environmental section.
- Noise report is approaching completion of a draft document.
- Completion anticipated in Spring 2025.

Project Manager: Mark Wasdahl, District 3 Planning & Scoping, [mark.wasdahl@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:mark.wasdahl@itd.idaho.gov)



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**SH-44 Star Road to State Highway 16 (Key No. 20574):** Improvements include widening the highway to five lanes (two lanes both directions) between Mira Avenue and SH-16. Continuous bicycle and pedestrian facilities through a combination of sidewalks through downtown Star and a multiuse pathway on the south side of SH-44 to West State Street will be constructed. A mill and inlay of the existing roadway section between Star Road and Mira Avenue will be accomplished.

- Project is currently funded in FY 2029.
- Parcel acquisition requires final design and completion of the environmental clearance (CatEx).

Project Manager: Andrew Linder, District 3 Design & Construction 1,  
[andrew.linder@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:andrew.linder@itd.idaho.gov)

**SH-44, I-84 to Star Road PEL and NEPA Study (Key No. 23630):** This project will provide the environmental clearance for future construction projects on SH-44 west of Star Road.

- Third round of project open houses held September 10 and September 11. Level 2 alternatives screening output displayed for comment.
- Preparing for third check-in point with Federal Highway Administration Idaho state office.
- Completion anticipated in Spring 2025. NEPA part of project will immediately follow.

Project Manager: Mark Wasdahl, District 3 Planning & Scoping, [mark.wasdahl@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:mark.wasdahl@itd.idaho.gov)