

**Grant Creek/North Reserve Neighborhood Council Leadership Team**  
**Microsoft Teams 6 to 7 p.m. January 30, 2025**

**Attending:**

- *Grant Creek/North Reserve Leadership Team:* Kim Birck, Kevin Davis, Craig Van Bockel, Bert Lindler
- *Office of Neighborhoods:* Kalina Pritchard
- *Transportation Planning:* Aaron Wilson
- *Guest:* Lexi (student)

**Reserve Street Safety Study**

- Transportation planner Aaron Wilson discussed the Reserve Street Safety Action Plan and opportunities for public comment: <https://www.engagemissoula.com/reserve-street-safety-action-plan>

Kim Birck suggested there should be some sort of a western gateway study to give the Reserve Street/I-90 interchange the same prominence for visitors as those at the intersections of Orange Street and a Van Buren. Birck also suggested that there needed to be a left turn lane at Prospect Drive so that traffic continuing north could go around cars trying to turn left into Prospect, a challenging proposition when skiers from Snowbowl are leaving the mountain. Kevin Davis asked when there would be a crosswalk from the Bluebird Trailhead to the Grant Creek Trail north of Stonebridge Road.

Wilson suggested that a Neighborhood Transportation Plan, such as that developed during joint meetings of the Upper and Lower Rattlesnake Neighborhood Councils could help the city determine how best to prioritize the many needs given the inability to fund all projects during the short term. He suggested that neighbors agreeing to pay a share of the project cost with a special improvement district could increase the likelihood that projects are undertaken.

**Approval of Nov. 26, 2024 Minutes**

Craig Van Bockel moved and Kevin Davis seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the Nov. 26, 2024 minutes of the Grant Creek/North Reserve Neighborhood Council Leadership Team. Unanimous approval by voice vote.

**March 11 General Meeting**

Kim Birck moved and Craig Van Bockel seconded a motion to approve expenses of \$205.20 for a room, thermos of coffee, and cookies for the 7 p.m. March 11 general meeting at the Grant Creek Inn and for \$60 to print two signs announcing the meeting on a signboard to be placed in the median north of the Reserve Street/I-90 interchange.

Topics for the general meeting include:

- Proposed roundabout for Expo Parkway and Grant Creek Road
- Reserve Street Safety Action Study
- Wildfire preparations Colorado Gulch and Grant Creek Wildfire Protection Plan

- Grant Creek collaborative restoration
- Invasive snails discovered in upper Grant Creek
- Leadership team elections (four candidates, more WELCOMED)

#### **Grant Creek Neighborhood Council Budget**

--The Grant Creek Neighborhood Council has not spent any of its 2024/2025 budget of \$1,500, meaning that after the expenses of the March 11 general meeting, \$1,234.80 of funds should remain available. After June 30, unspent funds revert to the city's general fund except for \$5,000 that can be carried over by the Neighborhoods office.