

Riverfront LT Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2021

5:30 PM ZOOM

LT Members Present: Caleb, Jessica, Ramona

Missoula Neighborhoods, Colin

1. Approve [January 4, 2021](#) meeting minutes- Caleb motioned, Jessica seconded, all approved.
2. Discussion regarding traffic in the Hip Strip area - Gwen Jones
 - first concern for Hip Strip area is safety and ensuring safe bike lanes, parking is secondary; there is a request for a design proposal for a traffic study of the area.
 - this entire process will take years, and parking is part of it.
 - to change the parking as it is currently, will need to expand the Parking Commission jurisdiction and discuss possibility of residential parking commission (permits).
3. 3rd and Myrtle update after first meeting – Jessica Goodburn
 - there will be a removal of 9-11 parking spots due to crosswalks; public works will repair the road in the spring, May 1st design, project completed by June 1st; discussion re: seating and where it is still under discussion.
4. Discussion of Neighborhood grants - Colin Woodrow
 - concern that the city doesn't have much money and the city can't support the projects that would have high impact for the city; \$6K is the maximum grant currently; a successful grant application must have a performance for community and fulfill the needs and wants of community.
5. Findings from Neighborhood Assessment Report - Colin Woodrow
 - findings show need better communication between all groups; lack of representation –need to have better equity and better reflection of neighborhoods- race/ ethnicity/ identity; renters are highly underrepresented
 - age- generally boomer generation and older, few Gen X'ers, Millennials and Gen Z's.

- plan for a workgroup coming forward to build a campaign around what it is and how to include others; how to build more actionable neighborhood gatherings.
6. Graffiti Follow Up –Contact info to report graffiti– will be posted update to neighborhood webpage.

<https://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/FormCenter/Development-Services-15/Citizen-Complaint-Form-196>
 7. Oak Street/ 2nd Street access to Bitterroot trail branch and safety lighting on trails - Caleb Kasper
 --there is a piece of private land that abuts the Bitterroot trail branch, owners have concern about more graffiti and trash.
 --trail lighting- consider f/u next meeting.
 8. Webpage report – Ramona will start to update it for the next few months.
 9. Office of Neighborhoods Report – Colin Woodrow

 --working on large surveys/ projects that take time and with other agencies
 --working on neighborhood engagement tools- more to come.
 10. Community Forum Report—Colin
 --- last meeting was good and positive with breakouts
 --- will start to have meetings every other month- March/ May and then hopefully more regularly
 11. Public comment on non-agenda items—discussion of upcoming meeting agenda items.
 12. Announcements Next Meeting March 8, 2021 at 5:30 pm.

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**What is important to Riverfront Neighbors?
 (Tiered by importance)**

- Traffic light at Cregg Lane and Orange Street

- Stadium issues
- Making stop sign at California and Wyoming permanent
- 5th and 6th Street reconfiguration-
- Abandoned vehicles/trailers
- California Street
- Hickory Street gate
- Russell Street