



MEMORANDUM

TO: File
FROM: Kathy Burgess and Anne Brooks, Brooks & Associates
SUBJECT: Project Advisory Group Meeting, October 26, 2001
DATE: October 27, 2001

A summary of the work accomplished by the project team was presented to the Project Advisory Group members. Large scale plots of each roadway alternative were presented and discussed. Landscaping/amenities opportunities and options were presented by Landscape Architect, Don Vogan. We asked the PAG to provide input on the alternatives presented to assist the project team in identifying a preferred alternative.

PAG member concerns at the 10/26 meeting are bulleted below:

- Six (6) inch-raised medians would likely just be driven over by those who wish to disregard them. Concrete barriers might be more effective.
- Painted medians would be better for pedestrians when drivers make u-turns.
- Drawings of the road should show bus stops.
- There ought to be a flashing yellow light or similar warning to vehicles to protect pedestrians crossing at mid-block in the LaMex/Chilkoots area to get to and from the bus stop.
- Perhaps surfaced paving (like downtown intersections) or some form of rumble bumps would help in this area.
- Let's make sure the shoulder areas, where they exist, are used for snow storage rather than sidewalks.
- Alternative 4 was rejected because the 5' sidewalk would become snow storage, blocking pedestrians.
- Put amenities budget into bus stop areas and let businesses pay for spaces in between
- It would help if landscape designers could sketch out some alternatives to help businesses visualize landscaping in their areas.
- With the 3-lane street, bus pullouts would be very desirable.
- There are potential conflicts between mounting/dismounting bus passengers and bike riders at bus stops.
- The more recently-built businesses have zoning requirements for landscaping. The rules need to be enforced to make them maintain their mandated landscaping.

Attendees:

Committee Members: Tom Bichsel, Barbara Johnson, Tom McGrath, Marilyn Rudolph, John Weddleton

Project Team: Jim Sawhill, Tom Garrett, Dave Krehmeier, Anne Brooks, Kathy Burgess, Ken Morton, Judy Dougherty, Don Vogan, Ed Leonetti