AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

DATE: 7-21-2014 DEPARTMENT: PW/CDD DEPT. HEAD SIGNATURE: MA/MP

SUBJECT: Discussion of the Blaine County Community Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan and adoption of Resolution 2014--

AUTHORITY: ☐ ☐ IAR ___________ ☐ City Ordinance/Code Zoning Ordinance No. 532 (IF APPLICABLE)

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

In late 2012, an early discussion began on the need for a community driven plan addressing bicycle and pedestrian amenities within Blaine County. This initial discussion included officials from Blaine County, Hailey, Ketchum, Blaine County Recreation District, Wood River Bike Coalition and Mountain Rides Transportation Authority. At the time, it was determined that there was enough concern across organizations and the community that a concerted planning effort was necessary to address bike/ped issues in Blaine County. On January 3, 2013, the first bike/ped planning meeting was organized by County Commissioner Angenie McCleary with the express purpose of establishing a comprehensive master plan for bicycle and pedestrian facilities throughout Blaine County. This working group included the same entities previously mentioned as well as involvement from the following: Bellevue, Idaho Transportation Department, City of Carey, Community Transportation Association of Idaho, St. Lukes, City of Sun Valley, and Friends of Mountain Rides.

Over the next 18 months, the working group of stakeholders held more than 14 meetings to formulate and draft the Blaine County Community Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. Early in the process, Mountain Ride Transportation Authority volunteered to lead the project and, with considerable input from the working group, issued a RFP for professional services in drafting the master plan and coordinating community efforts. Based on several responses to the RFP, Harmony Design and Engineering from Driggs, Idaho presented the most competitive proposal and were awarded the contract to produce the Master Plan. All funds for paying for the Master Plan were contributed from many of the working group organizations. The City of Hailey contributed $2,000 of the approximately $12,000 contract.

In addition to the planning meetings, several community meetings were held to seek input from residents, businesses, visitors, and all parties interested in planning a comprehensive bicycle/pedestrian system in Blaine County. As a result of the stakeholder meetings and the community outreach sessions, the Master Plan calls out various projects throughout the valley and prioritizes those projects based on input received directly from the community. In total, 35 projects were identified from six different regions within Blaine County. The six regions are North Valley, Ketchum Area, Sun Valley Area, Main Valley, Hailey Area, and South Valley Area.

The following is a summary of priority projects identified in Hailey:
- H1: Roundabouts
- H2: Connections to the Visitor Center and Rodeo Park (Skate Park)
- H3: Downtown Sidewalks- Complete Streets
- H4: Connections to Trails and Park
- H5: Safe Routes to School Improvements
- H6: Wayfinding

The Master Plan represents a groundswell community effort to improve bike/ped amenities in Blaine County for all residents. Staff recommends adoption so that the City of Hailey can use this plan to guide strategic capital projects going forward that specifically address...
bicycle/pedestrian needs. The Master Plan will also position the City of Hailey to be more competitive in future grant applications and provides supporting documentation from the community expressing need and prioritization of potential projects.

A link to the full document can be found on the city's Public Works – Engineering website, listed under documents. The full link is:

FISCAL IMPACT / PROJECT FINANCIAL ANALYSIS:

None

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY OTHER AFFECTED CITY DEPARTMENTS: (IF APPLICABLE)

- City Administrator
- City Attorney
- City Clerk
- Building
- Engineer
- Fire Dept.
- Library
- Mayor
- Comm. Dev.
- Police
- Public Works, Parks
- Benefits Committee
- Streets
- Treasurer
- P & Z Commission

RECOMMENDATION FROM APPLICABLE DEPARTMENT HEAD:

Adopt Resolution 2014-____, thereby adopting the Blaine County Community Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan.

ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL:
Date: __________________________
City Clerk

FOLLOW-UP:

*Ord./Res./Agrmt./Order Originals: Record  *Additional/Exceptional Originals to:

Copies (all info.):  Copies (AIS only)
Instrument # ______________________

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CITY OF HAILEY
RESOLUTION NO. 2014-___

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF HAILEY, IDAHO, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE BLAINE COUNTY COMMUNITY BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, the cities, communities, residents, and businesses of Blaine County desire a cohesive and comprehensive vision for developing, standardizing, and growing bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, amenities, and policies in Blaine County and the municipalities within.

WHEREAS, a working group of representatives from Blaine County, Blaine County Recreation District, the City of Bellevue, the City of Hailey, the City of Ketchum, the City of Sun Valley, Mountain Rides Transportation Authority, St. Lukes Center for Community Health, the Wood River Bike Coalition, and private individuals from the community have collaborated resources and efforts to produce the Blaine County Community Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (hereafter Master Plan).

WHEREAS, the Blaine County community participated in several workshops, stakeholder meetings, and surveys that contributed to formation of the Master Plan.

WHEREAS, an inventory and analysis was conducted on current bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure provided throughout Blaine County, which found bicycle and pedestrian amenities lacking in appropriate safety considerations, connectivity concerns, and functionality.

WHEREAS, the Master Plan incorporates policies and plans from all jurisdictions within Blaine County that contribute to well-planned mobility improvements.

WHEREAS, the Master Plan provides a broad overview of the needs of the community and some solutions to meet those needs.

WHEREAS, the Master Plan provides a starting point for further detailed studies and provides implementation steps for specific projects and improvements.

WHEREAS, bicycle and pedestrian amenities are required to provide an accessible, safe, and attractive transportation mode that improves mobility, recreation, and the overall health of the community.

WHEREAS, the national bicycling industry, according to a recent study, contributes an estimated $133 billion to the United States economy and the economic benefits of a well-planned bicycle and pedestrian system are known to include increases in tourist revenue, property values, retail sales, and the attraction of good employees looking for a high quality of life atmosphere.

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WHEREAS, the health benefits of a well-planned bicycle and pedestrian system contribute to a healthier population by improving cardiovascular health, creating strong social ties, and reducing stress, among other benefits.

WHEREAS, the Blaine County community desires safer, more accessible, and more comprehensive bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure that can be built to serve the public and promote the general welfare of our community.

WHEREAS, the Master Plan shall be utilized as a guiding document and considered in concurrence with all other policy and planning documents currently adopted and enforced by the City of Hailey, Idaho.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAILEY, IDAHO, that the City of Hailey approves and adopts the Blaine County Community Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan and that Mayor _________________ is authorized to sign this resolution.

Passed this ____ day of July, 2014.

City of Hailey

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Fritz X. Haemmerle, Mayor

ATTEST:

__________________________
Mary Cone, City Clerk
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

DATE: 07/21/2014 DEPARTMENT: PW DEPT. HEAD SIGNATURE: __MP__

SUBJECT: Sidewalk repair adjacent to City Hall.

AUTHORITY: □ ID Code ________ □ IAR ________ □ City Ordinance/Code ________

(IF APPLICABLE)

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:
Staff requests the Council to review some repair options and provide comments. The brickwork behind city hall has continued to deteriorate and needs repair. The Street Division has recently filled in the holes with a temporary material, but a long term solution is needed. At this point, it seems that the entire brick area should be replaced versus fixing it brick by brick. It will likely be an ongoing maintenance issue if only certain bricks are replaced.

Options are as follows:
1. Replace broken and missing bricks now and continue to address brick by brick
2. Replace all bricks with the same – high cost and more difficult to repair.
3. Replace all bricks with concrete sidewalk – lowest cost and less maintenance, but loss of aesthetics.
4. Replace all bricks with pavers - lower cost than bricks and easier to maintain and repair (no mortar involved).

Staff recommends replacing the entire area with pavers of a color similar to brick.
Here is an example of a similar application of pavers at the Skate Park:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY OTHER AFFECTED CITY DEPARTMENTS: (IF APPLICABLE)

□ City Attorney □ Clerk / Finance Director □ Engineer □ Building
□ Library □ Planning □ Fire Dept. □ Water
□ Safety Committee □ P & Z Commission □ Police □ ________
□ Streets □ Public Works □ Mayor □ ________

RECOMMENDATION FROM APPLICABLE DEPARTMENT HEAD:
Review and select a preferred repair option.

ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Date __________________________

City Clerk __________________________

FOLLOW-UP:
*Ord./Res./Agrmt./Order Originals: Record __________________________
*Additional/Exceptional Originals to: __________________________