

Highway SR-2 Revitalization Committee November 13, 2006 1500-1700	Airway Heights City Council Chambers City of Airway Heights	Next Meeting: December 12, 2006 3p-5p (1500-1700)
Agenda	Action Item	
I. Recap of October 23, 2006 meeting II. Two Group Discussion a) Business Development Core a. code enforcement, Signs, etc b. business topics b) Corridor Infrastructure Development a. Traffic study b. code enforcement III. Primary Group Discussion IV. Process going forward V. Set next meeting and adjourn.	None	
I. Brief introduction to new committee attendees on process and vision. Stated the goal of encouraging business opportunities in the city center with an eye out for the developments happening east of Hayford Rd.	Recommend committee attendees advise others of this committee and get their involvement.	
IIa. Business Development core group discussion: Signage discussion: A few business owners recommended that the city should begin enforcing sign codes by first sending letters out to business owners. Mr. Stocker recommended a central sign location with a theme for local businesses. Mr. Noel stated that his signage was adequate but Ms. Palmer stated that her signage needed more visibility. Mr. Patten mentioned his attempt to put a pole sign on the pole in front of his business was disapproved by the city. Mr. Pilialoha recommended that that pole be taken down. New development: Mr. Noel stated that his attempt to start a ground up relocation at old AWH carwash was complicated by city officials so he scrapped plans to build. Requests code requirements be loosened to some extent when it comes to new development. Mr. Ramsey stated that the city should look into offering tax incentives as well as the city fund or back loans for business upgrades or for new development; Mr. Stocker agreed and suggested the city attempt to seek political assistance in forms of community action funds and assistance from state and federal representatives—general consensus on this matter from group. Mr. Grady suggested that unless the city develops a comprehensive plan for the corridor addressing the cityscape along the corridor then all the piecemeal attempts to revitalize the corridor will be ineffective—general consensus on this from the group. There was discussion on how best to develop new buildings along the north corridor such as developing the entire C2 corridor by blocks incorporating the existing residential properties, i.e. purchasing the properties outright for	City will draft letters regarding sign ordinance for review City will look into removing the pole in front of Mr. Patten’s business along 14 th street Committee will have to formulate a plan to seek political assistance and grant funding opportunities for business expansion and upgrade ALSC architects was given the task to come up with renderings or sketches incorporating the business core ideas of parking accessibility	

<p>development. Mr. Pederson voiced concern on the feasibility of such action.</p> <p>Parking: Business owners in attendance noted that parking along businesses fronting the corridor is too limited and owners would like to see access to their businesses made easier. Mr. Landreth raised a safety issue with the Yokes parking lot due to icing in winter. Mr. King of Yokes stated Yokes is aware of icing and is addressing the issue. Mr. King, as well as others, mentioned the historical problems with 14th street, i.e. the width in connection to their parking lot, and the ineffective access from SR2 at both ends. Mr Patten mentioned that 14th street was also a safety hazard for his patrons that have to go outside and smoke, sometimes getting too close to 14th street traffic.</p>	<p>as well as creating a block development utilizing 13th street</p> <p>City will develop a new bus shelter in front of Yokes that will alleviate some of the concerns of 14th street</p>
<p>IIb. Corridor Infrastructure core group discussion</p>	
<p>Functionality</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. WSDOT is performing a route development plan (RDP) on SR2 from the Freeway to the Spokane Cty line beginning in January. The process will last for 1 year. 2. Access into the frontage road could be improved by reducing and defining access points 3. Landscaping and trees can be used in the medians to slow traffic and enhance the aesthetic value of the corridor 4. Newport could serve as a good example for a landscape corridor 5. The sidewalks could be moved back to the front of the businesses with parking between and landscaped bulbs or islands adjacent to the roadway 6. STA should be a stakeholder in the process to help redefine the park and ride area <p>Aesthetics</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hanging pots from the new lights could enhance the aesthetic value of the corridor 2. Landscaping and trees can be used in the medians to slow traffic and enhance the aesthetic value of the corridor 3. STA should be a stakeholder in the process to help redefine the park and ride area 4. An airplane theme on the new roundabout could make a good entry statement <p>Safety</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pedestrian bridges might be a viable solution for pedestrian passage across SR2 2. Dual or left/right turn areas should be defined 3. The roundabout could be use to achieve some pedestrian safety goals 	<p>Bring aerials to the next meeting</p> <p>Bring a visual of the items suggested to the next meeting</p>
<p>III. Primary Group Reconvene</p>	
<p>The remaining group members reconvened to compare discussion elements. Mr. Warner of ALSC discussed the elements to be looked at such as building setback increases from</p>	<p>ALSC to provide some sketches or renderings of the elements discussed</p>

<p>the corridor with a bypass rd. used to access parking, with corridor median enhancements and sidewalk improvements. Mr. Piliialoha requested ALSC look at ways to develop near vacant blocks along the corridor in the interim whereas existing business would be minimally impacted. WSDOT mentioned the proposed roundabout as a mitigated factor for easier traffic flow through the city. Mr. Noel stated his opposition to such a traffic design.</p>	
<p>IV. Process Forward See action items. Further discussion as to direction of committee</p>	
<p>V. Next Meeting December 12, 2006 3p-5p City Council Chambers Airway Heights</p>	

Attendees	
Richard Moore	Dept of Corrections
James Noel	Affordable Satellites
Pam Palmer	Shearly Unique
Chuck Stocker	WSDOT
Keith Martin	WSDOT
Grant King	Yokes
Jeff Warner	ALSC Architects
Vern Patton	Village Tavern
Jack Grady	Stratford Suites
CJ Andrews	Sunny Creek Developments
Preston Ramsey	Infiniti Real Estate
Ty Barber	Edward Jones
Jay Landreth	Landowner
Matt Pederson	Buckhorn Restaurant