

# URBAN TRAILS COMMITTEE AGENDA CITY HALL AUDITORIUM, 250 N 5th STREET

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2023 - 5:30 PM

#### **Call to Order/Announcements**

- 1. New Staff Introductions
- 2. Special Meeting on March 22 Ped Bike Plan Recommendation

## **Approval of Minutes**

Approval of January 8, 2023 meeting minutes.

#### **Action Items**

1. Schedule February Workshop

#### **Discussion Items**

- 1. Letter of Support RTPO
- 2. Letter of Support Union Station
- 3. Letter of Support Mesa County Orchard Avenue Safety and Connectivity Project
- 4. Infrastructure Priorities List
- 5. SRTS Project Recommendations

## **Updates**

- 1. Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan
- 2. Subcommittee Updates

### **Other Business/Public Comment**

1. Debrief on COML (Sunshine Law) Workshop

## Adjournment

#### Urban Trails Committee - Minutes - December 14, 2022

Attendees: Athena Fouts, Mike Holt, Abe Herman, Steve Meyer, Diana Rooney, Brent Starnes, Ian

Thomas, Jason Nguyen

Staff/Ex-Officio: Trent Prall, Dani Acosta, Eric Mocko, Andy Gingerich (Virtual)

Guests: Barbara and Bruno Eachus

#### **Minutes**

## **Call to Order/Announcements**

Diana R. called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

Diana R. reviewed the annual roadmap and informed the group to start thinking about the Ped and Bike Count in May, reigniting the subcommittee for ped/bike counts.

Diana R. reminded the group about the January workshop. Dani A. to create a virtual option.

Trent recommended leaving SRTS open to suggestions for CBDG candidates - Pull that together in February.

The UTC reviewed the November and December minutes and voted on approval. Athena F. made a motion to approve the November meeting minutes, and Brent S. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Athena F. made motion to approve the December meeting minutes and Ian T. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A question was posed if quorum was based on the total number of members as outlined in the bylaws or by the number of existing members (i.e., even with vacancies). Dani A. to check with City Attorney about quorum.

#### **Action Items**

The UTC reviewed and voted on the 2022 Annual Report. Mike H. made a motion to accept the draft and Steve M. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Zoning & Development Code Updates**

Dani A. informed the group that Module 2 on Parking Standards for the ZDC update was now available, which including parking standards for bikes. The group discussed the proposed changes.

The group discussed the need to revise site upgrade standards for long-term bike parking for Change of Use (COU) multifamily projects (motels converting into residential apartments).

lan T. suggested reducing parking in exchange for a long-term sufficient bike storage.

Jason N. suggested the ZDC update specify a list of approved and disapproved bike rack designs.

Ian T. commented that the rings in the Post & Rick rack design on the Main Street are way thicker than the ring. Suggested that the ZDC specify that rings be of a certain diameter. If rings are placed lower, you can get pedal on it.

A member raised how mobility scooters/wheelchairs are addressed in COU - how do we account for ADA accessibility.

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#### **Infrastructure Priorities List**

Diana R. gave a refresher of the Infrastructure Priorities List. Call out to nominate projects.

## **Updates:**

Ped and Bike Count subcommittee reestablished with Diana R. and Steve M.

Dani A. informed the group that there will be open seats next year. Applications are due February 15, 2023.

Ride Guide meeting was held. Organized by the Sentinel. City representatives to follow up.

Dani A. to email members with partial terms.

Trent P. provided updates on 4th and 5th street - winter bike to work day Feb 10 statewide, next week City Council to award contract for 24 Rd trail, 24 and G Rd project starting construction.

A member asked if UTC input was used by Parks and Recreation for placement of donated bike racks. Dani A. to share responses.

Eric M. was asked about updates on the automated traffic counting.

## Adjournment

Steve M. made a motion to adjourn, and Jason N. seconded that motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm.

## CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION URBAN TRAILS COMMITTEE BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES LIST

## Summary

One of the UTC's main responsibilities is to review the City's active transportation network on an ongoing basis and recommend enhancements for the purpose of increasing the extent and connectivity of well-maintained sidewalks, bike lanes, and pathways within the urbanized area that emphasize safety, connectivity, and efficiency for multimodal users of all ages and abilities.

#### **Process**

Projects are added, removed, and re-ranked through two processes. On an annual basis, the UTC adds, removes, and re-ranks items in a comprehensive review of the Priorities List. This ranking is conducted using a standardized rating system. Each UTC committee member rates each project on the list 1 - 5, with 5 being the highest value, in the following categories: Safety, Connectivity, Usage, Social Equity, and Current Condition (see below for definitions). Once the projects have been rated, a total score will be developed for each project. The project list is then ranked according to the total scores, from highest to lowest. At present, all five categories are equally weighted. Further adjustments and ranking may be made with the agreement of the Urban Trails Committee. Once the ranking is complete, the UTC's annual Active Transportation Priority List is published and shared with City Departments and the public.

When a project is added to the list, it will be given a unique identifying number (last two digits of the year, decimal point, followed by the numeric order of when the project was added). For example, "2020.4" would be the 4th project added to the list in 2020. Over time, this number could provide a point of reference for how long projects have remained on the list. Once a project has been funded it will be removed from the priority list and moved to the funded list. Once completed, the project will be moved to the completed list.

Connectivity [CNT] creates and completes connections in the network
Safety [SFT] decreases likelihood of accidents and injuries
Usage [USG] likely to increase usership and engage new user groups
Social Equity [EQY] enhances multimodal options for marginalized groups
Current Condition [CND] substantially improves the physical condition of infrastructure

*Cost Estimate*: This general estimate of costs is prepared by the Public Works Department. \**ATC*: This indicates that the project implements the existing Active Transportation Corridors Plan.

\*CS: This indicates that the project implements the Complete Streets Policy.

\*Jurisd.: This indicates that the project involves right(s)-of-way not controlled by the City of GJ.

## 1 Crosby Avenue

2016.9

Construct complete streets improvements along Crosby Avenue from Base Rock Street (25  $\frac{1}{2}$  Road) to the east side of the Main Street Pedestrian Bridge. This includes the addition of bike lanes along Crosby, as well as curb ramps connecting the new bike lanes to the pedestrian bridge.

Status: Construction in 2024.

#### North Avenue

2017.1

Install Complete Streets improvements to provide continuous bike and pedestrian facilities along and crossing North Avenue from 23<sup>rd</sup> Street to 30 Road.

Status: North Side from 28 ½ Rd to 29 Road and South Side from 29 Road to 29 ½ Rd budgeted for 2023. Submitted for Multi-Modal Options Fund (MMOF) through RTPO on 11/18/2022.

#### **3** Gunnison to Walmart Connection

2022.8

Plan for an off road or on road connection from Gunnison/Grand & 28th to 29 Road / Walmart, which will give access to land locked trailer homes and to the grocery store.

Status: Gunnison currently connects to Harris Road and provides access North Ave to Walmart. Further extension to Melody Lane will occur once 2872 I-70B redevelop. Need to add Gunnison Ave to Active Transportation Corridors Map.

## 4 Orchard Avenue – 1<sup>st</sup> Street to 30 Road

2016.2

Install complete streets improvements along Orchard Avenue from 29 ½ Road to 30 Road. Improve 1<sup>st</sup> Street through 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Improve 12<sup>th</sup> Street to 28<sup>th</sup> Street

Status: Mesa County currently under design of reconstruction of Orchard Ave from 29 ½ Road to 31 ½ Road.

## 5 27½ Road (Orchard Mesa)

2017.2

Complete Street improvements to provide continuous bike and pedestrian facilities on 27½ Road in Orchard Mesa from B½ Road to Unaweep Avenue. This project also includes similar improvements to 27¾ Road from Unaweep Avenue to Cheyenne Drive/Eagle Rim Park.

Status: 27 ½ Road has been included in the 10-year capital improvement program, however has not been prioritized for construction in the next five years.

#### 6 I-70B and 1st Street

2018.1

Provide improved bicycle and pedestrian facilities at and around the intersection of the I-70 Business Loop and 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Create a connection from the detached path that ends near the north end of Mulberry Street to the 1<sup>st</sup> Street corridor. Also improve the bicycle and pedestrian facilities along and crossing 1<sup>st</sup> Street between Grand Avenue and Pitkin Avenue.

Status: Completed as of Spring 2022. Remove from 2023 list.

## 7 28 ¾ Road – Nisely Elementary School to North Avenue

2022.5

Connect Nisely Elementary School south to North Ave with sidewalks and bike lanes. Sidewalks end about 2 blocks north of North and start again near the school. There is heavy ped traffic along this road. There are disconnected sidewalk gaps. (Possible SRTS project for future consideration in 2023?)

Status: Sidewalks were constructed on east side from Elm to Mesa in 2017, Mesa to Orchard (580 feet) and Elm to 514 28 ¾ Road (510 feet) are needed to complete the east side. Possible SRTS projects.

## 8 Cyclist Sensors at Key Intersections

2018.4

Install Sensors for Cyclists at the following signalized intersections: 5<sup>th</sup> Street at North Avenue; Orchard Avenue at 1<sup>st</sup> Street; Independent Avenue at 1<sup>st</sup> Street; 25½ Road at Patterson Road; 24½ Road at Highway 6 & 50; 15<sup>th</sup> Street at Patterson Road; Bookcliff Avenue at 12<sup>th</sup> Street; Bookcliff Avenue at 7<sup>th</sup> Street; Main Street at 1<sup>st</sup> Street (repair); 23<sup>rd</sup> Street at North Avenue; 10<sup>th</sup> Street at North Avenue (south side); Gunnison & 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & Elm, and Orchard Avenue at 29½ Road. Add signage to identify as bike-friendly.

Status: Ongoing. Recommend UTC to split these up into their individual sub-projects.

#### 9 Horizon/Independent Ranchman's Ditch

2016.3

Provide connectivity from Horizon Drive hotels to a trail following the Horizon Drive Channel down to 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Patterson where trail will connect and follow Independent Ranchman's Ditch to Mesa Mall. This should be accomplished through a combination of off-street trails, canal trails, appropriate bicycle/pedestrian crossings and bike lanes. Much of this network will be built as the remaining undeveloped parcels in the area subdivide and develop. (Includes Juniper Ridge Trail, for which ROW is secured by the Juniper Ridge Plat).

Status: City currently working on design of portion from 24 ½ Road to 25 ½ Road. Construction budgeted for 2024.

## 10 Wayfinding Installation

2022.6

Complete installation of thermoplastic markings of bike routes, (Blue, Red, Pink, Purple). 4/8 were not marked in 2021.

Status: Awaiting scoping

## 11 Colorado Riverfront Trail Gap – 27½ Road to 29 Road

2016.6

Depending on timeframe and feasibility, it may be worth considering creating an alternate safe route on C½ Road and 29 Road to fill the gap of the missing Colorado Riverfront Trail section. This would include bike lanes and signage on C½ Road and a viaduct under 29 Road for the safe passage of pedestrians and bicycles on and off the Colorado Riverfront Trail.

Status: Colorado Park and Wildlife working on design. Estimated 2024 construction.

#### 12 G Road (between 24 Road and 26 Road)

2022.1

Install shoulder on southern side of G Road to accommodate eastbound bike lane. (Westbound shoulder already exists but needs widening and improvement)

Status: G Road will be constructed to a full urban collector between 23 ½ and 24 ½ Road in 2023. 24 ½ Road to the 26 Road been included in the City's capital improvement program however not in the next 5 years.

## N 5th Street adjacent to GJ High School from North Avenue to Orchard Avenue 2021.6

Traffic Calming and Striping with Multimodal Pavement Markings. (Would bulb outs be appropriate at Elm Ct and Tiger/Glenwood Ave crossings?)

Status: Being reviewed as part of design of 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Street Improvements between North Ave and Ute Ave. 5<sup>th</sup> Street between North Ave and Orchard is proposed for inclusion in Active Transportation Corridor map.

#### 14 30 Road - Patterson Road to F\(^1\)2 Road

2018.2

Construct bike lanes along 30 Road from F 1/2 Road to Patterson Road.

Status: TBA

## 15 Striping Improvements

2022.7

Add Striping to Grand Ave from 1st Street to 28 Road.

Status: Width not adequate for 5 lanes and bike lanes along Grand Ave between 1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Street. East of 7<sup>th</sup> Street, one side of on-street parking would have to be removed in order to create room for bike lanes each direction.

#### 16 [tie] Orchard Avenue and 28 Road Intersection

2020.5

Redesign and reconstruct intersection at Orchard Avenue and 28 Road to improve navigability for bicycles and pedestrians.

Status: Construction for 2025

### 16 [tie] "Black Bridge" Gunnison Crossing

2016.10

Construct a bridge at or near the historical location of the "Black Bridge" to provide direct bicycle and pedestrian access between the Redlands and Orchard Mesa. This would provide a connection from Highway 50 to Rosevale Road, facilitating connectivity between the two neighborhoods and between Tabeguache Trails and Colorado National Monument specifically. This is in alignment with the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan.

Status: Currently not in 10-year CIP. However, DOE/Incubator has also requested a bike/ped bridge.

## 17 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> Street

2016.14

Provide Complete Streets improvements on 23rd Street from Gunnison Avenue to Orchard Avenue and on 24th Street from Gunnison to Belford and 23rd from Belford to Orchard). Provide bike lanes between Gunnison Avenue and Orchard Avenue.

Status: Will require removal of parking lane. May not be warranted due to low volume, low speed road already. Additional signage as bike route suggested.

## 18 15<sup>th</sup> Street and North Avenue Interconnect

2021.32

Improve connectivity of 15th Street Bike path at terminus on North Ave - either to 10th street bike corridor, across through Lincoln Park, down 12th street, or evaluate other ways.

Status: TBA

## 19 Orchard Mesa Irrigation District Canal Trails

2020.2

Construct bicycle/pedestrian trails on four sections where ditches have been or will be piped and buried, where Orchard Mesa Irrigation District has voiced support for these projects, such as B 1/2 road to Unaweep. Such trails would serve as assets to the Orchard Mesa multimodal network and may provide a positive model for trails along irrigation canals.

Status: Need to secure rights-of-way.

## 20 [tie] Highway 340 (Broadway) Bridges Over River and Railroad

2020.4

Carry out a lane diet on north side of the Highway 340 (Broadway) bridge (westbound lanes) and moving of concrete barrier resulting in a substantially wider bi-directional multiuse path. Also make chain-link fence more "friendly" and fix the gap beneath it.

Status: Bike path widening proposed for 2023 for the river bridge.

#### 20 [tie] D Road/9<sup>th</sup> Street

2016.12

Provide bike lanes on D Road between Riverside Parkway and 9th and on 9th between Las Colonias and Main St to facilitate connectivity from South of I-70 Business Loop to Downtown.

Status: Will be incorporated into future street maintenance project.

## 21 Eastbound 340 Bridge over Colorado

2022.4

When Bridge is reconstructed, add a 10-foot minimum multimodal path across Colorado river to connect Monument Trail and Riverfront Trails.

Status: CDOT does not currently have this bridge identified for replacement.

#### 22 [tie] 25 Road between G Road and Patterson Road

2021.14

Install shoulder and bike lanes along 25 Road between G Road and Patterson Road.

Status: Partial improvements with the F  $\frac{1}{2}$  Parkway construction starting in 2024. Partial improvements include the stretch south of F  $\frac{1}{2}$  to Patterson which will be widened to full arterial complete with bike lanes and detached concrete paths.

#### 22 [tie] 12<sup>th</sup> Street from North Avenue to Gunnison Street

2021.33

Improve facilities between 12th & North to 12th & Gunnison. Southbound, traffic can be tapered from 2-lanes after North Ave to enable / create sharrows or bike lane to connect Maroon Route on 12th. to Bike lane from Gunnison and 12th. Northbound, evaluate options using wide sidewalk or Lincoln Park property to improve this connection.

Status: Northbound sidewalk was improved on east side when Stocker Stadium was reconstructed in Spring 2022. Additional roadway width necessary to enable a bike lane south of North Ave.

## 22 [tie] South Camp Road

2016.8

Construct multimodal improvements along South Camp Road from Monument to S. Broadway. Complete missing sidewalk gaps and multimodal trail gaps.

Status: City completed widening for bikes lanes in 2018 between S. Broadway and E. Dakota. Mesa County will complete from E. Dakota to Monument Road in spring of 2023. Remaining 657 feet of sidewalk necessary on east side at the Liberty Baptist Church. This section not currently in capital improvement program.

## 23 F½ Road and Cortland Avenue

2020.13

Create an east-west corridor along F $\frac{1}{2}$  Road and Cortland Avenue for complete streets. F  $\frac{1}{2}$  from 28 Road to 33 Road and along Cortland Avenue from  $\frac{27}{2}$  Road to 28 Road.

Status: Cortland already as bike lanes between 27 ½ Road to 28 Road. East of 28 Road to 29 Road will be constructed when Matchett Park is developed. East of 29 Road is completed to 29 ½ Road. Street improvements required from 29 ½ to Broken Spoke. Broken Spoke to 30 Road is complete. 30 Road to Lewis Wash will be constructed to a collector section in 2024. East of Lewis Wash is Mesa County.

#### 24 3rd Street and Grand Avenue

2020.3

3rd Street and Grand Avenue protected median for North/South multimodal crossing. This may be reduced in priority if 4th Street and 5th Street become two-way streets with bike lanes.

Status: 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Street corridors will have separated bike lanes constructed in early 2023. Access across Grand will be at 4<sup>th</sup> (south bound) and 5<sup>th</sup> Street (north bound).

## 25 Riverfront Trail Connector – West Orchard Mesa Bridge

2020.17

Replace the damaged asphalt trail section on the Colorado Riverfront Trail Connector from the West Orchard Mesa Bicycle/Pedestrian Bridge to Eagle Rim Park.

Status: Funding has been approved to work on replacement of asphalt sections of trails over next 3 years

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#### 26 Connections across Tracks between 9th and 29th to RFT\*

2022.2

Between 9th street and 29 Road there are no ways to access the Riverfront Trail due to the train ROW. Evaluate facilities on 29 Rd for areas of improvement or identify opportunities for pedestrian/cyclist crossings across the train tracks to make access to the RFT easier for neighborhoods in the middle of this area.

Status: TBA

#### 26 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street

2016.11

Develop detached bicycle/pedestrian facilities on the west side of North 7th Street as an alternative to along the alley that borders Grand Junction High School and continue the CMU perimeter trail on east side of North 7th Street, with improved bicycle/pedestrian crossings.

Status: 26 1/2 Road from Horizon Drive to Summerhill Road is funded for 2025

## 27 Redlands Parkway Trail

2020.19

Replace the damaged asphalt trail section along Redlands Parkway from the roundabout at Highway 340 (Broadway) and Redlands Parkway to the Redlands Boat Ramp.

Status: Funding has been approved to work on replacement of asphalt sections of trails over next 3 years. This section is slated for 2023 construction.

## 28 West Independent Avenue

2020.12

Widen shoulders along the west end of Independent Avenue from Splish Splash to Chick-fil-A. Status: Will incorporate into future street maintenance project.

## 29 [tie] Leach Creek Trail

2021.15

Complete trail connections along Leach Creek, with emphasis on sections near 24 Road and G Road intersection.

Status: Undercrossing of G Road south of Canyon View Park completed in 2022. Section between City will receive bids in late December 2022 for construction in 2023

#### 29 [tie] Dos Rios Bicycle/Pedestrian Bridge

2020.11

Construct bicycle/pedestrian bridge over railroad tracks, from Grand Junction Union Station to the Riverfront at Dos Rios.

Status: Dos Rios currently under construction, this project will be proposed after more development has occurred.

## 29 [tie] St. Mary's Hospital and Community Hospital

2021.25

Conduct a walk and ride audit for both hospitals and make improvements where possible.

Status: TBA

## 30 [tie] Main Street – 1<sup>st</sup> Street to 8<sup>th</sup> Street

2018.3

Utilize sharrow markings and signage along Main Street from 1<sup>st</sup> Street to 8<sup>th</sup> Street to improve the on-street bicycle facilities and reduce bicycles using the sidewalks, which is prohibited on this section of Main.

Status: Completed November 2022.

#### **30** *[tie]* **26** Road (1<sup>st</sup> Street)

2020.17

Install bike lanes along 26 Road (1st Street) from Patterson Road to I Road.

Status: Bike lanes were installed to F 1/2 2018. 26 1/2 Road from Horizon to Summerhill Way is higher priority and funded

## 31 [tie] West Independent Avenue

2018.5

Construct complete street improvements along West Independent Avenue from 24 ¾ Road to Bogart Lane, including 24¾ Road to I-70 Business Loop, adding width to the paved road surface to allow for striping of on-street bike lanes.

This project is the same as #28 (2020.12 and should be consolidated).

## 31 [tie] South Camp Road Trail

2020.16

Replace damaged asphalt at the trail section of South Camp Road Trail from Rimrock Road to Wingate Elementary.

Status: Funding has been approved to work on replacement of asphalt sections of trails over next 3 years

## 32 Monument Road Trail – Phase II

2016.17

PARTIALLY COMPLETED 2020 - Detached concrete path from Tabeguache Trails (Lunch Loops) to the S. Camp Rd path and beyond to the Colorado National Monument.

Status: ROW secured, funded for 2023 construction. Currently under design with construction slated for late summer 2023.

## 33 10<sup>th</sup> Street from Downtown to CMU

2016.17

Provide a strong connection from CMU to Downtown using innovative techniques to emphasize the bike friendly corridor that might include improved intersection design, green colored pavement, signage, and lighting.

Status: Wayfinding signage was installed in 2020 as well as curb extensions at Grand Ave. First green crossing on 10th and Grand. Project ongoing.

**34** H Road 2020.8

Install bike lanes along H Road from the Grand Junction Airport roundabout to 26 Road.

Status: Bike lanes were installed as part of 2021 Overlays from 26 Road to 27 Road.

Remaining work to install from GJ Airport roundabout to 27 Rd when future street maintenance project is completed.

## 35 [tie] Riverfront Trail Redlands Boat Ramp Asphalt Section

2020.18

Replace the damaged asphalt trail section of the Colorado Riverfront Trail from the Redlands Boat Ramp to Bananas Fun Park (2469 Riverside Parkway).

Status: Funding has been approved to work on replacement of asphalt sections of trails over next 3 years. Section from Bananas fun park west to Leach Creek Bridge was completed fall 2022.

#### 35 [tie] Audubon Trail Asphalt Section

2020.9

Replace the damaged asphalt trail section of the Audubon Trail from Redlands Marketplace to the Connected Lakes (James M. Robb) Colorado State Park entrance.

Status: This section is maintained by Mesa County who did extensive crack filling and patching in 2020. No additional improvements are currently proposed.

#### West Main Street (Main Street – west of 1st Street)

2016.16

Install various multi-modal upgrades along West Main Street from the Colorado Riverfront Trail to the east side of 1st Street. Improve access to the Colorado Riverfront Trail from Downtown utilizing wayfinding signage, improved crosswalks and intersection design, and a clearly marked bike lane if street width is sufficient. Utilize sharrow markings and signage on West Main Street

from the Colorado Riverfront Trail to the Main Street Pedestrian Bridge because bike lanes cannot fit within the existing street width.

Status: Wayfinding signage was installed in 2020. Will review sharrow installation in 2023.

## 37 Horizon Drive Improvements

2021.23

Construct buffered bike lane on Horizon Drive from N 12th to 27  $\frac{1}{2}$  Road. Improve separation along Horizon Drive from 27  $\frac{1}{2}$  Rd and northwards where feasible.

Status: Will review narrowing of drive lanes to 11 feet to provide buffer.

### 38 Broadway Trail

2020.15

Replace damaged asphalt trail section stemming from the Colorado Riverfront Trail from the Redlands Power Canal bridge up the hill to East Mayfield Drive.

Status: Most of this trail is within Mesa County's jurisdiction. Mesa County did significant maintenance / crack fill in 2019 that has helped.

## 39 Monument Road Trail – Curve Adjustment

2022.2

Reconstruct nonconforming curves on the Monument Connector Trail that create hazardous conditions after the last culvert heading uphill. Skid marks on the asphalt and observed cyclist behavior show that the alignment of the three S-curves with turning radiuses are not performing as intended.

Status: Current design was specifically suggested by COPMOBA to help keep downhill speeds in check.

## 40 Tour of the Moon National Scenic Byway

2020.7

Construct shoulders and install signage on all Tour of the Moon Byway rights-of-way under City of Grand Junction jurisdiction.

Status: Completed South Camp Road improvements in 2020 and S. Broadway east of Desert Hills Estates in 2018. Partial improvements, including uphill climbing lane and bike path extensions to be completed by spring 2023 near Tiara Rado. Project starts at Desert Hills Road and extends to Rado Drive.

#### 41 The Ridges Trail System

2020.20

Replace damaged asphalt trail sections along the entire trail system in The Ridges development and make a new trail connection from Duck Pond Park to Ridge Circle Drive.

Status: Some work was completed along Ridges Blvd in 2020. Funding has been approved to work on replacement of asphalt sections of trails over next 3 years.

## 42 Separated Bike Lane – Horizon Drive

2021.23

Install bollards, armadillos, or buffers on Horizon Drive, or another bike lane location where traffic is heavy and speed limit is 35 mph or greater.

Status: Will review request in 2023. Bollards are challenging due to need for snow removal and street cleaning.

#### 43 South Rim Drive Intersection

2020.14

Redesign and redevelop the intersection of Redlands Parkway and South Rim Drive to improve multimodal accessibility.

Status: Work is part of the 2022 Street Maintenance Overlay contract. Concrete is poured. Remaining work includes paving which will most likely be pushed to Spring 2023. Paving to include green markings, bike lanes, slight realignment of trail.

## 44 Riverside Bridge to Highway 340 (Broadway) Connection

2020.21

Create an improved connection from east end of Riverside bicycle/pedestrian bridge to the Highway 340 (Broadway) and Rice Street intersection. This could include construction of a bridge from the north end of the Riverside Bicycle-Pedestrian bridge (halfway down) connecting directly to the wide sidewalk on Highway 340 (Broadway).

Status: Need more clarification on scope. Crosby Ave from Main Street to American Way currently under design with construction slated for late 2023 through 2024.

#### 45 Desert Hills/Escondido Connection

2022.3

Construct a multi-use path of approximately 1,200ft connecting Escondido Drive to Desert Hills Road as an alternative to South Broadway. This would require a small amount of additional easement or ROW to connect the existing undeveloped ROW segments.

Status: Not currently prioritized in capital improvement program.

#### **FUNDED PROJECTS**

## 24 Road/Redlands Parkway

2016.4

Safer navigation of pedestrians and bicycles over the I-70 Business Loop. This may involve a road diet and include a separated lane for bikes and pedestrians. Ideally this will include a larger scheme of linking The Riverfront Trail to bike lanes that go to Canyon View Park and a connection to the existing Leach Creek detached path.

Status: Funded

## F ½ Road to Thunder Mountain Elementary

2017.3

Construct complete streets improvements to provide continuous bike and pedestrian facilities along F  $\frac{1}{2}$  Road 30 Road to Thunder Mountain Elementary.

Status: Funded

#### 26 ½ Road Bridge

2020.0

Construct a bicycle and pedestrian bridge across I-70 at 26½ Road to improve access to Northwest neighborhoods.

Status: Funded

#### 26½ Road from Horizon to Summerhill

2021.0

Voter-approved referendum 2A includes bike and pedestrian bridge at I70

Status: Funded

H Road 2020.8

Install bike lanes along H Road from the Grand Junction Airport roundabout to 26 Road.

Status: Completed from 26 Road to 27 Road.

## 24<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Road Multimodal Extension

2020.10

Construct a 375-foot multimodal trail connection from the northerly stub of 281/4 Road to connect to Hawthorne Avenue.

Status: Completed Spring 2022.

#### **COMPLETED PROJECTS**

### **Riverside Park Drive Pathway**

2016.15

Provide a separated path as a continuation of the Colorado Riverfront Trail through the Riverside neighborhood.

Status: Completed 2019

#### Horizon Drive BID Trail Network Plan

2019.0\*

The Horizon Drive Business Improvement District's Trail Network Plan was completed in 2019.

Status: Completed 2019

Monument Road Trail 2016.7

Construct a detached concrete path from D Road to Tabeguache Trails and beyond to the South Camp Road path and the Colorado National Monument. The segment of this trail from D Road to Tabequache was constructed 2019-2020.

Status: Partially Completed 2020. Section from Lunch Loop Parking Lot to South Camp Road funded for 2023.

## Redlands Parkway/South Broadway

2016.8

The segment of Redlands Parkway/South Broadway from Highway 340 (Broadway) to South Camp Road was completed when bike lanes were added concurrent with street maintenance in 2016. The roundabout at Highway 340 (Broadway) & Redlands Parkway was built in 2018.

Status: Partially Completed 2016

1st Street 2016.1

Construct complete street upgrades for 1<sup>st</sup> Street from Ouray Avenue to Orchard Avenue. Redevelop the four through-lanes into two through-lanes with a center turn-lane and bike lanes. Bike lane enhancements included maintaining the bike lanes across the North Avenue intersection and five-foot width lanes from North Avenue to Orchard Avenue.

Status: Completed 2017

#### Riverfront Trail Gap – 29 Road Bridge Crossing

2016 6

The gap in the Riverfront Trail between 271/2 Road and 29 Road saw progress with the construction of the segment of trail crossing under the 29 Road River Bridge and connecting to both sides of 29 Road completed in 2018.

Status: Colorado Parks and Wildlife are currently under design on this segment. Two remaining right-of-way/easements necessary to construct this reach should be resolved by mid-2023. Construction slated for 2024.

## Riverfront Trail - Flooded Blue Heron Section

2020.0

Replace the Blue Heron Lake section of the Riverfront Trail that fell into Colorado River. Status: Completed 2020

#### Orchard Avenue [partial]

2016.1

Complete Streets improvements for the segment for Orchard Avenue from Normandy Drive to 29 Road were constructed 2019. Orchard from Normandy was completed to 29 Road was completed in 2020 providing sidewalks and bike lanes on both sides of Orchard for the last 3/8mile section that was unimproved.

Status: Partially Completed 2019

## B½ Road crossing of Highway 50

2016.5

Transform the existing elevated automobile crossing into a bridge for bicycle and pedestrian use to facilitate safer travel to either side of Highway 50. This will provide safer routes to schools, the County Fairgrounds, ballfields and BMX track. This would also include bike lanes on B ½ Road to facilitate E/W connectivity, as well as connections to the Riverfront.

Status: Completed 2017

South 7<sup>th</sup> Street 2019.1

Create a strong bicycle/pedestrian connection from Main Street to River Front Trail along 7th Street using innovative techniques, such as painted, buffered or separated bike lanes. Encourage use with wayfinding signage.

Status: Completed 2019

## **Wayfinding Signage**

2020.1

Develop and implement signage and striping for wayfinding throughout Grand Valley, in cooperation with Mesa County, Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife, Town of Palisade, and Fruita. The UTC recommends doing so in line with the UTC Wayfinding Program Draft.

Status: Substantially Completed 2020

#### **Westlake Park Access**

2020.6

Install a curb cut and trail ramp into Westlake Park to facilitate the Orchard Avenue crossing. Status: Completed in 2020.

## **SUMMARY OF 2022 FUNDING REQUESTS**

## PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION – Cannot Exceed 20% of Allocation (\$90,000)

## 1: City CDBG Administration

The City allocated \$25,000 2021 CDBG funds for general administration of the program, the majority of which be expended by September 2022. The 2022 program year will incur typical staff time from previous years to cover a portion of staff salary, training, advertising, and HUD reporting requirements.

Funds Requested: \$25,000 Funds Leveraged: \$0

Recommended Funding: \$25,000

## **SERVICES PROJECTS – Cannot Exceed 15% of Allocation (\$60,600)**

## 2: Housing Resources of Western Colorado (HRWC) – Housing Counseling and Support

The mission of HRWC is to advance equitable housing and create healthy communities by educating and empowering people and creating, improving and maintain homes. Primary programs are property management, weatherization, self-help homeownership, housing rehabilitation, housing counseling and education and community building and engagement. CDBG funds are requested for general administration of the Housing Counseling and Education program including salaries and administrative costs of the counseling. HRWC has received multiple grants in the past for emergency housing repairs but has not requested funds for this purpose.

Funds Requested: \$10,000 Funds Leveraged: \$89,448

CDBG Recommended Funding: \$5,717

General Fund Recommended Funding: \$4,283

**FUNDING CONCERNS: None** 

## 3: Housing Resources of Western Colorado (HRWC) – Housing Counseling and Support

The mission of HRWC is to advance equitable housing and create healthy communities by educating and empowering people and creating, improving and maintain homes. Primary programs are property management, weatherization, self-help homeownership, housing rehabilitation, housing counseling and education and community building and engagement. CDBG funds are requested to contine to maintain housing stability for families in the community when faced with the possibility of eviction or foreclosure. Funds would be used to provide emergency payments. HRWC received a CDBG CV-3 grant for this purpose but two-thirds of that grant has expended.

Funds Requested: \$10,000 Funds Leveraged: \$89,448

Recommended Funding: \$10,000

**FUNDING CONCERNS: None** 

## 4: Karis, Inc. – The House Residential Staff

Karis provides housing and service to homeless youth ages 13-24. Karis operates The House, Zoe House, Bonnie's House and Laurel House. CDBG funds are requested for a residential staff at The House. In the past, Karis has used volunteers to fill shifts. However, there has been a shortage of volunteers due to the pandemic. Residential staff will cover daytime hours that cannot be filled volunteers and provided services such as counseling, preparing meals, games and activities. Karis, Inc. has received multiple grants in the past with the most recent being a 2021 grant of \$40,000 to remodel The House which has not been expended.

Funds Requested: \$15,000 Funds Leveraged: \$0 Recommended Funding: \$0

**FUNDING CONCERNS:** This type of salary is not an eligible CDBG activity.

5: Habitat for Humanity – Purchase Truck to Transport Donations to Home Store The mission of Habitat for Humanity is to construct simple, affordable, and decent housing in partnership with families, volunteers, and the community for those in need. Habitat builds 4 new affordable, single-family homes per year. Revenue from the habitat ReStore covers all operation costs and provides income for the building of additional homes. CDBG funds are requested to purchase a new truck to be used to pick up donations and delivered to the Habitat ReStore. Habitat for Humanity has not received a recent CDBG grant.

Funds Requested: \$25,000 Funds Leveraged: \$0 Recommended Funding: \$0

**FUNDING CONCERNS:** No direct benefit to low- and moderate-income persons; therefore, not an eligible CDBG activity.

**6: Counseling and Education Center (CEC) - Low Income Counseling Services** CEC provides counseling to individuals in crisis or those dealing with difficult emotional issues and ensures access to professional counseling, regardless of income or ability to pay. CDBG funds would provide 175 more sessions of counseling for at least 10 more clients seeking care. CEC has received multiple grants for the same purpose with the most recent being 2021 funds (\$10,000), 70% of which have been expended.

Funds Requested: \$10,000 Funds Leveraged: \$220,830 Recommended Funding: \$10,000

7: Eureka! McConnell Science Museum – Purchase Vehicle to Transport students to the Museum and Enrichment Experiences

Eureka!'s hands-on science programs provide local students over 150,000 STEAM learning hours each year. The programs serve nearly 4,000 students and seek to provide equitable access to educational enrichment and increase opportunities for low-income and underserved youth to participate in hands-on science and outdoor learning experiences. CDBG funds will be used to purchase a transit van, which will increase Eureka!'s ability to serve more low-income and underserved youth that otherwise lack access to transportation necessary for the to participate. Eureka! received a CDBG CV-1 grant to subsidize increased enrollments for low- and moderate-income students during the pandemic. All funds have been expended.

Funds Requested: \$20,000

Funds Leveraged: \$0 Recommended Funding: \$7,800

**FUNDING CONCERNS:** The vehicle would serve other students outside the City limits or not of low- and moderate-income households so CDBG cannot fund the request entirely.

## 8: St. Mary's Hospital Foundation – Purchase Food for Meals on Wheels Program

Meals on Wheels serves hot and nutritious lunchtime meals for Mesa County seniors age 60 and older. The program fosters health, independence and wellbeing. Each weekday it produces 500-600 meals from its downtown Grand Junction kitchen. CDBG funds would be used to offset the cost of food for an estimated 10% growth in the program. Meals on Wheels has received CDBG funds in the past but none recently and all previous grants have been expended and closed out.

Funds Requested: \$15,000 Funds Leveraged: \$400,000 Recommended Funding: \$15,000

**FUNDING CONCERNS: None** 

## 9: Riverside Educational Center (REC) – Bookcliff Middle School After School Program Transportation

Riverside Educational Center provides structured tutoring and educational enrichment activities in the after-school hours and beyond for Mesa County students in grades 1-12, in order to improve academic achievement and foster positive social and emotional development. REC provides transportation home for students enrolled in REC programming at Bookcliff Middle School. CDBG funds would be used to purchase a 14-passenger bus for this purpose. REC received a 2021 grant for the same purpose for Chipeta Elementary School which has been expended and the project closed out.

Funds Requested: \$17,060

Funds Leveraged: \$0

Recommended Funding: \$7,800

**FUNDING CONCERNS:** 50% of the students served reside in the City limits; therefore, as requested by REC, CDBG can only fund 50% of the cost.

## 10: Mesa County Partners – Purchase Vehicle for Western Colorado Conservation Corps (WCCC)

Mesa County Partners provides on-to-one mentoring that recruits, trains, and supervises adult volunteers who are matched with high-risk youth. Partners also supervises juvenile offenders in performing court-ordered community service as well as the operates the Western Colorado Conservation Corps (WCC). CDBG funds are requested to purchase a vehicle to transport WCCC members to area projects. Partners received a 2021 grant for the same purpose which has been expended and the project closed out.

Funds Requested: \$40,000 Funds Leveraged: \$0

Recommended Funding: \$0

**FUNDING CONCERNS: None** 

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS

## 11: Housing Resources of Western Colorado (HRWC) – Critical Home Repair Program

HRWC provides low-moderate income residents with 24-hour Critical Home Repair Program. CDBG funds would be used to provide labor and materials/equipment for repairs/improvements including pest infestations, roof repair, HVAC repair, correcting carbon monoxide issues, frozen pipes and electrical problems. Expenditures are typically \$300 to \$500 per household so the program would expect to fund 20 households with the CDBG funds. HRWC has received many grants in the past, most recently a 2021 grant for \$10,000 for this purpose which has not yet been expended.

Funds Requested: \$10,000 Funds Leveraged: \$ 0

Recommended Funding: \$10,000

**FUNDING CONCERNS: None** 

## 12: Housing Resources of Western Colorado (HRWC) – Emergency Repair for Mobile Homes

The Single-Family Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program removes deficiencies or health and safety hazards, corrects substandard conditions, corrects violations of local housing codes, improves accessibility, and improves energy efficiency for owner occupied housing. HRWC's program through Department of Housing has a gap in the overall funding due to HOME funding restrictions that do not allow mobile homes on rented lots. City of Grand Junction CDBG funds do allow this housing type. Emergency repair grants are for manufactured housing on rented lots and shall not exceed \$10,000 per applicant or 50% of its value with the cap being \$10,000. A home repair will improve the community blighted housing stock reducing the client's' chance of

becoming homeless from a substandard unit. HRWC has received many grants in the past, most recently a 2021 grant for \$25,000 for this purpose, 30% of which has been expended.

Funds Requested: \$25,000

Funds Leveraged: \$3,000

Recommended Funding: \$25,000

**FUNDING CONCERNS: None** 

## 13: STRiVE – Group Homes and Wood Shop Rehabilitation

STRiVE provides a variety of support for Mesa County residents with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families. Services include group homes, vacation and day programs, supported living and family support and infant/toddler early intervention. CDBG funds would be used to replace air conditioning units in two group homes that house a total of 16 individuals and a new heater at the Wood Shop which employs STRiVE clients. Locations are 2746 Olson Avenue, 680 29-1/2 Road and 2850 Chipeta Avenue which are all in the City limits. STRiVE has received numerous grants in the past, most recently a 2021 grant of \$7,942 for repair of an accessible multipassenger van which has been expended and the project closed out.

Funds Requested: \$76, 222

Funds Leveraged: \$0

Recommended Funding: \$76,222

**FUNDING CONCERNS:** None

## 14: Hilltop Community Resources – Bacon Campus Community Resource Building Roof

Hilltop has been serving individuals and families in Western Colorado since 1950 with an array of programs and services that cover the lifespan from pre-natal health care access to assisted living. The Bacon Campus has been home to housing and services for brain-injured persons with 130 residents. CDBG funds would be used for roofing repairs on the Community Resource building on the campus that includes the dining hall, kitchen, staff and nursing offices, meeting room and life skills training area. Hilltop has received numerous CDBG grants in the past but none recently. All other grants have been expended and projects closed out.

Funds Requested: \$39,871

Funds Leveraged: \$0

Recommended Funding: \$39,871

**FUNDING CONCERNS: None** 

## 15: City of Grand Junction on Behalf of Centro Colorado – Riverside Building and Site Remodel

Centro's programs focus on providing quality, comprehensive education services to families, including the Head Start program that prepares at-risk children for success in school and life. Centro is currently serving 226 children from 178 families. Centro is leasing the former Head Start building in Riverside from the City. Therefore, CDBG funds used for renovation must be granted to the City rather than Centro and the City

must approve of proposed changes to the buildings and the site. Proposed renovations include adding stucco to the exterior and replacing an ADA ramp at the older building, establishing xeric landscaping on the site, and upgrading the playground.

Funds Requested: \$79,650 Funds Leveraged: \$19,850 **Recommended Funding: \$0** 

**FUNDING CONCERNS:** Need more detailed information on renovations with estimates, including any hazardous material remediation and a landscape Plan for the new design which were not provided with the application. Suggest Centro continue to work with the City and re-apply for funding assistance.

## 16: Grand Valley Catholic Outreach (GVCO) – Soup Kitchen Parking Lot Resurface

GVCO operates 12 core programs to meet the needs of those in distress including financial aid to prevent homelessness, transitional or permanent housing, the Outreach Day Center and the Soup Kitchen. The latter is used for administration and counseling offices, a clothing bank, emergency food bank the soup kitchen offering lunch time meal 6 days/week. CDBG funds are requested to resurface the parking lot at the Soup Kitchen. GVCO has received several grants in the past, most recently a 2021 grant in the amount of \$50,000 for preconstruction costs for the Mother Teresa project, 10% of which have been expended.

Funds Requested: \$50,000 Funds Leveraged: \$1,150 **Recommended Funding: \$0** 

**FUNDING CONCERNS: None** 

## 17: HomewardBound of the Grand Valley - Pathways Security System

HomewardBound provides emergency shelter for up to 270 individuals per night, with each guest having access to a clean bed, meals, showers/toiletries, clothing and a safe place to stay during the day. CDBG funds are requested to improve the security system at the Pathways Family Shelter. HomewardBound has received multiple grants in the past with the most recent being a 2021 grant of \$40,000 for the same purpose at the Community Homeless Shelter which has not been expended.

Funds Requested: \$49,864 Funds Leveraged: \$0

Recommended Funding: \$49,864

**FUNDING CONCERNS:** None

## 18: Hilltop Community Resources – Resource Center Fencing

Hilltop has been serving individuals and families in Western Colorado since 1950 with an array of programs and services that cover the lifespan from pre-natal health care access to assisted living. CDBG funds would be used to provide fencing around an

area that has a concrete slab to basketball and grass to improve safety for the youth and families that use the area while participating in Hilltop program activities. Hilltop has received numerous CDBG grants in the past but none recently. All other grants have been expended and projects closed out.

Funds Requested: \$19,676 Funds Leveraged: \$10,000

Recommended Funding: \$19,676

**FUNDING CONCERNS: None** 

## 19: City of Grand Junction – Safe Neighborhood Route 27 Road South of Highway 50

Expand the SRTS improvements along 27 Road to complete a connected corridor south of US Highway 50. North section was previously approved. Construct 620 feet of curb, gutter and sidewalk and 2 accessible ramps.

Funds Requested: \$140,000 Funds Leveraged: \$16,233

CDBG Recommended Funding: \$99,501 Capital Funds Recommended Funding: \$40,499

**FUNDING CONCERNS:** The City would need to budget for \$40,499 capital improvements plan to complete this project.

**20:** City of Grand Junction – Safe Routes to School Rocket Park Crosswalk Provide a safe, accessible crossing of Orchard Avenue to provide access to Rocket Park, GVT stops and nearby schools. Construct 120 feet of curb, gutter and sidewalk, 2 accessible ramps and 1 crosswalk.

Funds Requested: \$40,000 Funds Leveraged: \$0

Recommended Funding: \$40,000

**FUNDING CONCERNS:** None

## 21: City of Grand Junction – 12<sup>th</sup> Street Near Wellington Avenue Pedestrian Crossing

Important to GVT Route 1 access. Install 2 accessible ramps, 1 crosswalk and a yellow-flashing signal. Mid-block crosswalk to heavily used walking/ADA route to medical services, commercial services.

Funds Requested: \$80,000 Funds Leveraged: \$0 Recommended Funding: \$0

**FUNDING CONCERNS:** Lower priority project.

## CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION URBAN TRAILS COMMITTEE BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES LIST

## Summary

One of the UTC's main responsibilities is to review the City's active transportation network on an ongoing basis and recommend enhancements for the purpose of increasing the extent and connectivity of well-maintained sidewalks, bike lanes, and pathways within the urbanized area that emphasize safety, connectivity, and efficiency for multimodal users of all ages and abilities.

#### **Process**

Projects are added, removed, and re-ranked through two processes. On an annual basis, the UTC adds, removes, and re-ranks items in a comprehensive review of the Priorities List. This ranking is conducted using a standardized rating system. Each UTC committee member rates each project on the list 1 - 5, with 5 being the highest value, in the following categories: Safety, Connectivity, Usage, Social Equity, and Current Condition (see below for definitions). Once the projects have been rated, a total score will be developed for each project. The project list is then ranked according to the total scores, from highest to lowest. At present, all five categories are equally weighted. Further adjustments and ranking may be made with the agreement of the Urban Trails Committee. Once the ranking is complete, the UTC's annual Active Transportation Priority List is published and shared with City Departments and the public.

When a project is added to the list, it will be given a unique identifying number (last two digits of the year, decimal point, followed by the numeric order of when the project was added). For example, "2020.4" would be the 4th project added to the list in 2020. Over time, this number could provide a point of reference for how long projects have remained on the list. Once a project has been funded it will be removed from the priority list and moved to the funded list. Once completed, the project will be moved to the completed list.

Connectivity [CNT] creates and completes connections in the network
Safety [SFT] decreases likelihood of accidents and injuries
Usage [USG] likely to increase usership and engage new user groups
Social Equity [EQY] enhances multimodal options for marginalized groups
Current Condition [CND] substantially improves the physical condition of infrastructure

*Cost Estimate*: This general estimate of costs is prepared by the Public Works Department. \**ATC*: This indicates that the project implements the existing Active Transportation Corridors Plan.

\*CS: This indicates that the project implements the Complete Streets Policy.

\*Jurisd.: This indicates that the project involves right(s)-of-way not controlled by the City of GJ.

### 1 Crosby Avenue

2016.9

Construct complete streets improvements along Crosby Avenue from Base Rock Street (25  $\frac{1}{2}$  Road) to the east side of the Main Street Pedestrian Bridge. This includes the addition of bike lanes along Crosby, as well as curb ramps connecting the new bike lanes to the pedestrian bridge.

Status: Construction in 2024.

#### North Avenue

2017.1

Install Complete Streets improvements to provide continuous bike and pedestrian facilities along and crossing North Avenue from 23<sup>rd</sup> Street to 30 Road.

Status: North Side from 28 ½ Rd to 29 Road and South Side from 29 Road to 29 ½ Rd budgeted for 2023. Submitted for Multi-Modal Options Fund (MMOF) through RTPO on 11/18/2022.

#### 3 Gunnison to Walmart Connection

2022.8

Plan for an off road or on road connection from Gunnison/Grand & 28th to 29 Road / Walmart, which will give access to land locked trailer homes and to the grocery store.

Status: Gunnison currently connects to Harris Road and provides access North Ave to Walmart. Further extension to Melody Lane will occur once 2872 I-70B redevelop. Need to add Gunnison Ave to Active Transportation Corridors Map.

## 4 Orchard Avenue – 1<sup>st</sup> Street to 30 Road

2016.2

Install complete streets improvements along Orchard Avenue from 29 ½ Road to 30 Road. Improve 1<sup>st</sup> Street through 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Improve 12<sup>th</sup> Street to 28<sup>th</sup> Street

Status: Mesa County currently under design of reconstruction of Orchard Ave from 29 ½ Road to 31 ½ Road.

## 5 27½ Road (Orchard Mesa)

2017.2

Complete Street improvements to provide continuous bike and pedestrian facilities on 27½ Road in Orchard Mesa from B½ Road to Unaweep Avenue. This project also includes similar improvements to 27¾ Road from Unaweep Avenue to Cheyenne Drive/Eagle Rim Park.

Status: 27 ½ Road has been included in the 10-year capital improvement program, however has not been prioritized for construction in the next five years.

#### 6 I-70B and 1st Street

2018.1

Provide improved bicycle and pedestrian facilities at and around the intersection of the I-70 Business Loop and 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Create a connection from the detached path that ends near the north end of Mulberry Street to the 1<sup>st</sup> Street corridor. Also improve the bicycle and pedestrian facilities along and crossing 1<sup>st</sup> Street between Grand Avenue and Pitkin Avenue.

Status: Completed as of Spring 2022. Remove from 2023 list.

## 7 28 ¾ Road – Nisely Elementary School to North Avenue

2022.5

Connect Nisely Elementary School south to North Ave with sidewalks and bike lanes. Sidewalks end about 2 blocks north of North and start again near the school. There is heavy ped traffic along this road. There are disconnected sidewalk gaps. (Possible SRTS project for future consideration in 2023?)

Status: Sidewalks were constructed on east side from Elm to Mesa in 2017, Mesa to Orchard (580 feet) and Elm to 514 28 ¾ Road (510 feet) are needed to complete the east side. Possible SRTS projects.

## 8 Cyclist Sensors at Key Intersections

2018.4

Install Sensors for Cyclists at the following signalized intersections: 5<sup>th</sup> Street at North Avenue; Orchard Avenue at 1<sup>st</sup> Street; Independent Avenue at 1<sup>st</sup> Street; 25½ Road at Patterson Road; 24½ Road at Highway 6 & 50; 15<sup>th</sup> Street at Patterson Road; Bookcliff Avenue at 12<sup>th</sup> Street; Bookcliff Avenue at 7<sup>th</sup> Street; Main Street at 1<sup>st</sup> Street (repair); 23<sup>rd</sup> Street at North Avenue; 10<sup>th</sup> Street at North Avenue (south side); Gunnison & 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & Elm, and Orchard Avenue at 29½ Road. Add signage to identify as bike-friendly.

Status: Ongoing. Recommend UTC to split these up into their individual sub-projects.

### 9 Horizon/Independent Ranchman's Ditch

2016.3

Provide connectivity from Horizon Drive hotels to a trail following the Horizon Drive Channel down to 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Patterson where trail will connect and follow Independent Ranchman's Ditch to Mesa Mall. This should be accomplished through a combination of off-street trails, canal trails, appropriate bicycle/pedestrian crossings and bike lanes. Much of this network will be built as the remaining undeveloped parcels in the area subdivide and develop. (Includes Juniper Ridge Trail, for which ROW is secured by the Juniper Ridge Plat).

Status: City currently working on design of portion from 24 ½ Road to 25 ½ Road. Construction budgeted for 2024.

## 10 Wayfinding Installation

2022.6

Complete installation of thermoplastic markings of bike routes, (Blue, Red, Pink, Purple). 4/8 were not marked in 2021.

Status: Awaiting scoping

## 11 Colorado Riverfront Trail Gap – 27½ Road to 29 Road

2016.6

Depending on timeframe and feasibility, it may be worth considering creating an alternate safe route on C½ Road and 29 Road to fill the gap of the missing Colorado Riverfront Trail section. This would include bike lanes and signage on C½ Road and a viaduct under 29 Road for the safe passage of pedestrians and bicycles on and off the Colorado Riverfront Trail.

Status: Colorado Park and Wildlife working on design. Estimated 2024 construction.

#### 12 G Road (between 24 Road and 26 Road)

2022.1

Install shoulder on southern side of G Road to accommodate eastbound bike lane. (Westbound shoulder already exists but needs widening and improvement)

Status: G Road will be constructed to a full urban collector between 23 ½ and 24 ½ Road in 2023. 24 ½ Road to the 26 Road been included in the City's capital improvement program however not in the next 5 years.

## N 5th Street adjacent to GJ High School from North Avenue to Orchard Avenue 2021.6

Traffic Calming and Striping with Multimodal Pavement Markings. (Would bulb outs be appropriate at Elm Ct and Tiger/Glenwood Ave crossings?)

Status: Being reviewed as part of design of 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Street Improvements between North Ave and Ute Ave. 5<sup>th</sup> Street between North Ave and Orchard is proposed for inclusion in Active Transportation Corridor map.

#### 14 30 Road - Patterson Road to F\(^1\)2 Road

2018.2

Construct bike lanes along 30 Road from F 1/2 Road to Patterson Road.

Status: TBA

## 15 Striping Improvements

2022.7

Add Striping to Grand Ave from 1st Street to 28 Road.

Status: Width not adequate for 5 lanes and bike lanes along Grand Ave between 1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Street. East of 7<sup>th</sup> Street, one side of on-street parking would have to be removed in order to create room for bike lanes each direction.

#### 16 [tie] Orchard Avenue and 28 Road Intersection

2020.5

Redesign and reconstruct intersection at Orchard Avenue and 28 Road to improve navigability for bicycles and pedestrians.

Status: Construction for 2025

## 16 [tie] "Black Bridge" Gunnison Crossing

2016.10

Construct a bridge at or near the historical location of the "Black Bridge" to provide direct bicycle and pedestrian access between the Redlands and Orchard Mesa. This would provide a connection from Highway 50 to Rosevale Road, facilitating connectivity between the two neighborhoods and between Tabeguache Trails and Colorado National Monument specifically. This is in alignment with the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan.

Status: Currently not in 10-year CIP. However, DOE/Incubator has also requested a bike/ped bridge.

## 17 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> Street

2016.14

Provide Complete Streets improvements on 23rd Street from Gunnison Avenue to Orchard Avenue and on 24th Street from Gunnison to Belford and 23rd from Belford to Orchard). Provide bike lanes between Gunnison Avenue and Orchard Avenue.

Status: Will require removal of parking lane. May not be warranted due to low volume, low speed road already. Additional signage as bike route suggested.

## 18 15<sup>th</sup> Street and North Avenue Interconnect

2021.32

Improve connectivity of 15th Street Bike path at terminus on North Ave - either to 10th street bike corridor, across through Lincoln Park, down 12th street, or evaluate other ways.

Status: TBA

#### 19 Orchard Mesa Irrigation District Canal Trails

2020.2

Construct bicycle/pedestrian trails on four sections where ditches have been or will be piped and buried, where Orchard Mesa Irrigation District has voiced support for these projects, such as B 1/2 road to Unaweep. Such trails would serve as assets to the Orchard Mesa multimodal network and may provide a positive model for trails along irrigation canals.

Status: Need to secure rights-of-way.

## 20 [tie] Highway 340 (Broadway) Bridges Over River and Railroad

2020.4

Carry out a lane diet on north side of the Highway 340 (Broadway) bridge (westbound lanes) and moving of concrete barrier resulting in a substantially wider bi-directional multiuse path. Also make chain-link fence more "friendly" and fix the gap beneath it.

Status: Bike path widening proposed for 2023 for the river bridge.

#### 20 [tie] D Road/9<sup>th</sup> Street

2016.12

Provide bike lanes on D Road between Riverside Parkway and 9th and on 9th between Las Colonias and Main St to facilitate connectivity from South of I-70 Business Loop to Downtown.

Status: Will be incorporated into future street maintenance project.

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## 21 Eastbound 340 Bridge over Colorado

2022.4

When Bridge is reconstructed, add a 10-foot minimum multimodal path across Colorado river to connect Monument Trail and Riverfront Trails.

Status: CDOT does not currently have this bridge identified for replacement.

#### 22 [tie] 25 Road between G Road and Patterson Road

2021.14

Install shoulder and bike lanes along 25 Road between G Road and Patterson Road.

Status: Partial improvements with the F  $\frac{1}{2}$  Parkway construction starting in 2024. Partial improvements include the stretch south of F  $\frac{1}{2}$  to Patterson which will be widened to full arterial complete with bike lanes and detached concrete paths.

#### 22 [tie] 12<sup>th</sup> Street from North Avenue to Gunnison Street

2021.33

Improve facilities between 12th & North to 12th & Gunnison. Southbound, traffic can be tapered from 2-lanes after North Ave to enable / create sharrows or bike lane to connect Maroon Route on 12th. to Bike lane from Gunnison and 12th. Northbound, evaluate options using wide sidewalk or Lincoln Park property to improve this connection.

Status: Northbound sidewalk was improved on east side when Stocker Stadium was reconstructed in Spring 2022. Additional roadway width necessary to enable a bike lane south of North Ave.

## 22 [tie] South Camp Road

2016.8

Construct multimodal improvements along South Camp Road from Monument to S. Broadway. Complete missing sidewalk gaps and multimodal trail gaps.

Status: City completed widening for bikes lanes in 2018 between S. Broadway and E. Dakota. Mesa County will complete from E. Dakota to Monument Road in spring of 2023. Remaining 657 feet of sidewalk necessary on east side at the Liberty Baptist Church. This section not currently in capital improvement program.

## 23 F½ Road and Cortland Avenue

2020.13

Create an east-west corridor along F $\frac{1}{2}$  Road and Cortland Avenue for complete streets. F  $\frac{1}{2}$  from 28 Road to 33 Road and along Cortland Avenue from  $\frac{27}{2}$  Road to 28 Road.

Status: Cortland already as bike lanes between 27 ½ Road to 28 Road. East of 28 Road to 29 Road will be constructed when Matchett Park is developed. East of 29 Road is completed to 29 ½ Road. Street improvements required from 29 ½ to Broken Spoke. Broken Spoke to 30 Road is complete. 30 Road to Lewis Wash will be constructed to a collector section in 2024. East of Lewis Wash is Mesa County.

#### 24 3rd Street and Grand Avenue

2020.3

3rd Street and Grand Avenue protected median for North/South multimodal crossing. This may be reduced in priority if 4th Street and 5th Street become two-way streets with bike lanes.

Status: 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Street corridors will have separated bike lanes constructed in early 2023. Access across Grand will be at 4<sup>th</sup> (south bound) and 5<sup>th</sup> Street (north bound).

## 25 Riverfront Trail Connector – West Orchard Mesa Bridge

2020.17

Replace the damaged asphalt trail section on the Colorado Riverfront Trail Connector from the West Orchard Mesa Bicycle/Pedestrian Bridge to Eagle Rim Park.

Status: Funding has been approved to work on replacement of asphalt sections of trails over next 3 years

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#### 26 Connections across Tracks between 9th and 29th to RFT\*

2022.2

Between 9th street and 29 Road there are no ways to access the Riverfront Trail due to the train ROW. Evaluate facilities on 29 Rd for areas of improvement or identify opportunities for pedestrian/cyclist crossings across the train tracks to make access to the RFT easier for neighborhoods in the middle of this area.

Status: TBA

#### 26 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street

2016.11

Develop detached bicycle/pedestrian facilities on the west side of North 7th Street as an alternative to along the alley that borders Grand Junction High School and continue the CMU perimeter trail on east side of North 7th Street, with improved bicycle/pedestrian crossings.

Status: 26 1/2 Road from Horizon Drive to Summerhill Road is funded for 2025

## 27 Redlands Parkway Trail

2020.19

Replace the damaged asphalt trail section along Redlands Parkway from the roundabout at Highway 340 (Broadway) and Redlands Parkway to the Redlands Boat Ramp.

Status: Funding has been approved to work on replacement of asphalt sections of trails over next 3 years. This section is slated for 2023 construction.

## 28 West Independent Avenue

2020.12

Widen shoulders along the west end of Independent Avenue from Splish Splash to Chick-fil-A. Status: Will incorporate into future street maintenance project.

## 29 [tie] Leach Creek Trail

2021.15

Complete trail connections along Leach Creek, with emphasis on sections near 24 Road and G Road intersection.

Status: Undercrossing of G Road south of Canyon View Park completed in 2022. Section between City will receive bids in late December 2022 for construction in 2023

#### 29 [tie] Dos Rios Bicycle/Pedestrian Bridge

2020.11

Construct bicycle/pedestrian bridge over railroad tracks, from Grand Junction Union Station to the Riverfront at Dos Rios.

Status: Dos Rios currently under construction, this project will be proposed after more development has occurred.

## 29 [tie] St. Mary's Hospital and Community Hospital

2021.25

Conduct a walk and ride audit for both hospitals and make improvements where possible.

Status: TBA

## 30 [tie] Main Street – 1<sup>st</sup> Street to 8<sup>th</sup> Street

2018.3

Utilize sharrow markings and signage along Main Street from 1<sup>st</sup> Street to 8<sup>th</sup> Street to improve the on-street bicycle facilities and reduce bicycles using the sidewalks, which is prohibited on this section of Main.

Status: Completed November 2022.

#### **30** *[tie]* **26** Road (1<sup>st</sup> Street)

2020.17

Install bike lanes along 26 Road (1st Street) from Patterson Road to I Road.

Status: Bike lanes were installed to F 1/2 2018. 26 1/2 Road from Horizon to Summerhill Way is higher priority and funded

## 31 [tie] West Independent Avenue

2018.5

Construct complete street improvements along West Independent Avenue from 24 ¾ Road to Bogart Lane, including 24¾ Road to I-70 Business Loop, adding width to the paved road surface to allow for striping of on-street bike lanes.

This project is the same as #28 (2020.12 and should be consolidated).

## 31 [tie] South Camp Road Trail

2020.16

Replace damaged asphalt at the trail section of South Camp Road Trail from Rimrock Road to Wingate Elementary.

Status: Funding has been approved to work on replacement of asphalt sections of trails over next 3 years

## 32 Monument Road Trail – Phase II

2016.17

PARTIALLY COMPLETED 2020 - Detached concrete path from Tabeguache Trails (Lunch Loops) to the S. Camp Rd path and beyond to the Colorado National Monument.

Status: ROW secured, funded for 2023 construction. Currently under design with construction slated for late summer 2023.

## 33 10<sup>th</sup> Street from Downtown to CMU

2016.17

Provide a strong connection from CMU to Downtown using innovative techniques to emphasize the bike friendly corridor that might include improved intersection design, green colored pavement, signage, and lighting.

Status: Wayfinding signage was installed in 2020 as well as curb extensions at Grand Ave. First green crossing on 10th and Grand. Project ongoing.

**34** H Road 2020.8

Install bike lanes along H Road from the Grand Junction Airport roundabout to 26 Road.

Status: Bike lanes were installed as part of 2021 Overlays from 26 Road to 27 Road.

Remaining work to install from GJ Airport roundabout to 27 Rd when future street maintenance project is completed.

#### 35 [tie] Riverfront Trail Redlands Boat Ramp Asphalt Section

2020.18

Replace the damaged asphalt trail section of the Colorado Riverfront Trail from the Redlands Boat Ramp to Bananas Fun Park (2469 Riverside Parkway).

Status: Funding has been approved to work on replacement of asphalt sections of trails over next 3 years. Section from Bananas fun park west to Leach Creek Bridge was completed fall 2022.

#### 35 [tie] Audubon Trail Asphalt Section

2020.9

Replace the damaged asphalt trail section of the Audubon Trail from Redlands Marketplace to the Connected Lakes (James M. Robb) Colorado State Park entrance.

Status: This section is maintained by Mesa County who did extensive crack filling and patching in 2020. No additional improvements are currently proposed.

#### West Main Street (Main Street – west of 1st Street)

2016.16

Install various multi-modal upgrades along West Main Street from the Colorado Riverfront Trail to the east side of 1st Street. Improve access to the Colorado Riverfront Trail from Downtown utilizing wayfinding signage, improved crosswalks and intersection design, and a clearly marked bike lane if street width is sufficient. Utilize sharrow markings and signage on West Main Street

from the Colorado Riverfront Trail to the Main Street Pedestrian Bridge because bike lanes cannot fit within the existing street width.

Status: Wayfinding signage was installed in 2020. Will review sharrow installation in 2023.

### 37 Horizon Drive Improvements

2021.23

Construct buffered bike lane on Horizon Drive from N 12th to 27  $\frac{1}{2}$  Road. Improve separation along Horizon Drive from 27  $\frac{1}{2}$  Rd and northwards where feasible.

Status: Will review narrowing of drive lanes to 11 feet to provide buffer.

## 38 Broadway Trail

2020.15

Replace damaged asphalt trail section stemming from the Colorado Riverfront Trail from the Redlands Power Canal bridge up the hill to East Mayfield Drive.

Status: Most of this trail is within Mesa County's jurisdiction. Mesa County did significant maintenance / crack fill in 2019 that has helped.

## 39 Monument Road Trail – Curve Adjustment

2022.2

Reconstruct nonconforming curves on the Monument Connector Trail that create hazardous conditions after the last culvert heading uphill. Skid marks on the asphalt and observed cyclist behavior show that the alignment of the three S-curves with turning radiuses are not performing as intended.

Status: Current design was specifically suggested by COPMOBA to help keep downhill speeds in check.

## 40 Tour of the Moon National Scenic Byway

2020.7

Construct shoulders and install signage on all Tour of the Moon Byway rights-of-way under City of Grand Junction jurisdiction.

Status: Completed South Camp Road improvements in 2020 and S. Broadway east of Desert Hills Estates in 2018. Partial improvements, including uphill climbing lane and bike path extensions to be completed by spring 2023 near Tiara Rado. Project starts at Desert Hills Road and extends to Rado Drive.

#### 41 The Ridges Trail System

2020.20

Replace damaged asphalt trail sections along the entire trail system in The Ridges development and make a new trail connection from Duck Pond Park to Ridge Circle Drive.

Status: Some work was completed along Ridges Blvd in 2020. Funding has been approved to work on replacement of asphalt sections of trails over next 3 years.

## 42 Separated Bike Lane – Horizon Drive

2021.23

Install bollards, armadillos, or buffers on Horizon Drive, or another bike lane location where traffic is heavy and speed limit is 35 mph or greater.

Status: Will review request in 2023. Bollards are challenging due to need for snow removal and street cleaning.

#### 43 South Rim Drive Intersection

2020.14

Redesign and redevelop the intersection of Redlands Parkway and South Rim Drive to improve multimodal accessibility.

Status: Work is part of the 2022 Street Maintenance Overlay contract. Concrete is poured. Remaining work includes paving which will most likely be pushed to Spring 2023. Paving to include green markings, bike lanes, slight realignment of trail.

## 44 Riverside Bridge to Highway 340 (Broadway) Connection

2020.21

Create an improved connection from east end of Riverside bicycle/pedestrian bridge to the Highway 340 (Broadway) and Rice Street intersection. This could include construction of a bridge from the north end of the Riverside Bicycle-Pedestrian bridge (halfway down) connecting directly to the wide sidewalk on Highway 340 (Broadway).

Status: Need more clarification on scope. Crosby Ave from Main Street to American Way currently under design with construction slated for late 2023 through 2024.

#### 45 Desert Hills/Escondido Connection

2022.3

Construct a multi-use path of approximately 1,200ft connecting Escondido Drive to Desert Hills Road as an alternative to South Broadway. This would require a small amount of additional easement or ROW to connect the existing undeveloped ROW segments.

Status: Not currently prioritized in capital improvement program.

#### **FUNDED PROJECTS**

## 24 Road/Redlands Parkway

2016.4

Safer navigation of pedestrians and bicycles over the I-70 Business Loop. This may involve a road diet and include a separated lane for bikes and pedestrians. Ideally this will include a larger scheme of linking The Riverfront Trail to bike lanes that go to Canyon View Park and a connection to the existing Leach Creek detached path.

Status: Funded

## F ½ Road to Thunder Mountain Elementary

2017.3

Construct complete streets improvements to provide continuous bike and pedestrian facilities along F  $\frac{1}{2}$  Road 30 Road to Thunder Mountain Elementary.

Status: Funded

#### 26 ½ Road Bridge

2020.0

Construct a bicycle and pedestrian bridge across I-70 at 26½ Road to improve access to Northwest neighborhoods.

Status: Funded

#### 26½ Road from Horizon to Summerhill

2021.0

Voter-approved referendum 2A includes bike and pedestrian bridge at I70

Status: Funded

H Road 2020.8

Install bike lanes along H Road from the Grand Junction Airport roundabout to 26 Road.

Status: Completed from 26 Road to 27 Road.

#### 24<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Road Multimodal Extension

2020.10

Construct a 375-foot multimodal trail connection from the northerly stub of 281/4 Road to connect to Hawthorne Avenue.

Status: Completed Spring 2022.

#### **COMPLETED PROJECTS**

### **Riverside Park Drive Pathway**

2016.15

Provide a separated path as a continuation of the Colorado Riverfront Trail through the Riverside neighborhood.

Status: Completed 2019

#### Horizon Drive BID Trail Network Plan

2019.0\*

The Horizon Drive Business Improvement District's Trail Network Plan was completed in 2019.

Status: Completed 2019

Monument Road Trail 2016.7

Construct a detached concrete path from D Road to Tabeguache Trails and beyond to the South Camp Road path and the Colorado National Monument. The segment of this trail from D Road to Tabeguache was constructed 2019-2020.

Status: Partially Completed 2020. Section from Lunch Loop Parking Lot to South Camp Road funded for 2023.

#### Redlands Parkway/South Broadway

2016.8

The segment of Redlands Parkway/South Broadway from Highway 340 (Broadway) to South Camp Road was completed when bike lanes were added concurrent with street maintenance in 2016. The roundabout at Highway 340 (Broadway) & Redlands Parkway was built in 2018.

Status: Partially Completed 2016

1<sup>st</sup> Street 2016.1

Construct complete street upgrades for 1<sup>st</sup> Street from Ouray Avenue to Orchard Avenue. Redevelop the four through-lanes into two through-lanes with a center turn-lane and bike lanes. Bike lane enhancements included maintaining the bike lanes across the North Avenue intersection and five-foot width lanes from North Avenue to Orchard Avenue.

Status: Completed 2017

#### Riverfront Trail Gap – 29 Road Bridge Crossing

2016.6

The gap in the Riverfront Trail between 27½ Road and 29 Road saw progress with the construction of the segment of trail crossing under the 29 Road River Bridge and connecting to both sides of 29 Road completed in 2018.

Status: Colorado Parks and Wildlife are currently under design on this segment. Two remaining right-of-way/easements necessary to construct this reach should be resolved by mid-2023. Construction slated for 2024.

## **Riverfront Trail - Flooded Blue Heron Section**

2020.0

Replace the Blue Heron Lake section of the Riverfront Trail that fell into Colorado River. Status: Completed 2020

#### Orchard Avenue [partial]

2016.1

Complete Streets improvements for the segment for Orchard Avenue from Normandy Drive to 29 Road were constructed 2019. Orchard from Normandy was completed to 29 Road was completed in 2020 providing sidewalks and bike lanes on both sides of Orchard for the last 3/8-mile section that was unimproved.

Status: Partially Completed 2019

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## B½ Road crossing of Highway 50

2016.5

Transform the existing elevated automobile crossing into a bridge for bicycle and pedestrian use to facilitate safer travel to either side of Highway 50. This will provide safer routes to schools, the County Fairgrounds, ballfields and BMX track. This would also include bike lanes on B ½ Road to facilitate E/W connectivity, as well as connections to the Riverfront.

Status: Completed 2017

South 7<sup>th</sup> Street 2019.1

Create a strong bicycle/pedestrian connection from Main Street to River Front Trail along 7th Street using innovative techniques, such as painted, buffered or separated bike lanes. Encourage use with wayfinding signage.

Status: Completed 2019

## **Wayfinding Signage**

2020.1

Develop and implement signage and striping for wayfinding throughout Grand Valley, in cooperation with Mesa County, Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife, Town of Palisade, and Fruita. The UTC recommends doing so in line with the UTC Wayfinding Program Draft.

Status: Substantially Completed 2020

#### **Westlake Park Access**

2020.6

Install a curb cut and trail ramp into Westlake Park to facilitate the Orchard Avenue crossing. Status: Completed in 2020.