

POLICY COORDINATING COMMITTEE

AUGUST 26, 2015

GREAT FALLS SIDEWALK INFILL PROJECT – LOCATION IDENTIFICATION

Recommended Action

Approve locations for installation of new sidewalks

SUMMARY

Overview

A project titled “Great Falls Sidewalk Infill” is included in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The project has a budget of \$483,000, but includes no identified locations. To move the project forward, the Great Falls MPO needs to identify the sidewalks to be constructed.

TAC Recommendation

The Great Falls Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) identifies sidewalk “gaps” on the major roadway network. Staff identified ten different segments for TAC’s consideration, and the City of Great Falls Engineering Division provided rough cost estimates.

Considering cost and need, TAC selected four locations for new sidewalks:

- 1 & 2. 14th/15th Streets North – from approximately 12th Avenue North to 8th Avenue North (+/-) including ADA compliant railroad crossings, driveways, and ramps where needed
2. 13th Street South (27th Avenue South to 29th Avenue South, with ADA ramps)
3. 10th Avenue South –38th Street eastward as far as the budget allows

TAC acknowledged the cost to meet sidewalk needs in Great Falls is greater than the budgeted funds, and TAC may recommend new projects in future TIP amendments.

Presented by

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following motion be made: **“I move PCC approve the following segments for sidewalks under the Great Falls Sidewalk Infill project:**

- 1) **14th Street between 8th Avenue North and 12th Avenue North**
- 2) **15th Street between 8th Avenue North and 12th Avenue North**
- 3) **13th Street between 27th Avenue South and 29th Avenue South**
- 4) **10th Avenue South from 38th Street eastward, as funds allow**

Alternatives

The PCC could take action to not recommend new sidewalk segments or recommend alternative segments.