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To: Cortland & Susan Walker
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1300 S. Heidi Place
Meridian, Idaho 83642

Subject: MCUP-10-005, MDES-10-028 & MALT-10-003
1251 W. Crest Wood Dr.
Certificate of zoning compliance, design review and alternative compliance application to bring an existing duplex into compliance.

In response to your request for comment, the Ada County Highway District (ACHD) staff has reviewed the submitted application and site plan for the item referenced above. It has been determined that ACHD has no site specific conditions of approval for this application at this time due to the fact that this is not a change in use.

The applicant shall be required to meet all of the ACHD Standard Conditions of Approval as well as all ACHD Policies and requirements that may apply as noted below.

Please review the Applicant's Responsibilities and Development Process Checklist below.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (208) 387-6171.

Sincerely,

Kristy Heller
Planner I
Right-of-Way and Development Services
CC: Project file,
City of Meridian,

Applicant's Responsibilities

- Prior to final approval the applicant will be required to submit construction plans to the ACHD Development Review Section for review and approval and to ensure compliance with the conditions identified above and/or for traffic impact fee assessment. This is a separate review process that requires direct plans submittal to the Development Review staff at the Highway District. The Plan Submittal Checklist can be found on the ACHD website at <http://www.achdidaho.org/Forms>.
- A traffic impact fee will be assessed by ACHD after plans have been submitted and approved, and will be due prior to the issuance of a building permit.

For questions regarding the submittal of your construction plans and impact fee assessment please contact Kraig Wartman at 208-387-6170.

- Prior to the construction or installation of any roadway improvements (curb, gutter, sidewalk, pavement widening, driveways, culverts, etc), a permit must be obtained from ACHD.

Standard Conditions of Approval

1. Any existing irrigation facilities shall be relocated outside of the ACHD right-of-way.
2. Private sewer or water systems are prohibited from being located within the ACHD right-of-way.
3. In accordance with District policy, 7203.6, the applicant may be required to update any existing non-compliant pedestrian improvements abutting the site to meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. The applicant's engineer should provide documentation of ADA compliance to District Development Review staff for review.
4. Replace any existing damaged curb, gutter and sidewalk and any that may be damaged during the construction of the proposed development. Contact Construction Services at 387-6280 (with file number) for details.
5. A license agreement and compliance with the District's Tree Planter policy is required for all landscaping proposed within ACHD right-of-way or easement areas.
6. All utility relocation costs associated with improving street frontages abutting the site shall be borne by the developer.
7. It is the responsibility of the applicant to verify all existing utilities within the right-of-way. The applicant at no cost to ACHD shall repair existing utilities damaged by the applicant. The applicant shall be required to call DIGLINE (1-811-342-1585) at least two full business days prior to breaking ground within ACHD right-of-way. The applicant shall contact ACHD Traffic Operations 387-6190 in the event any ACHD conduits (spare or filled) are compromised during any phase of construction.
8. Utility street cuts in pavement less than five years old are not allowed unless approved in writing by the District. Contact the District's Utility Coordinator at 387-6258 (with file numbers) for details.
9. All design and construction shall be in accordance with the ACHD Policy Manual, ISPWC Standards and approved supplements, Construction Services procedures and all applicable ACHD Standards unless specifically waived herein. An engineer registered in the State of Idaho shall prepare and certify all improvement plans.
10. Construction, use and property development shall be in conformance with all applicable requirements of ACHD prior to District approval for occupancy.
11. No change in the terms and conditions of this approval shall be valid unless they are in writing and signed by the applicant or the applicant's authorized representative and an authorized representative of ACHD. The burden shall be upon the applicant to obtain written confirmation of any change from ACHD.
12. If the site plan or use should change in the future, ACHD Planning Review will review the site plan and may require additional improvements to the transportation system at that time. Any change in the planned use of the property which is the subject of this application, shall require the applicant to comply with ACHD Policy and Standard Conditions of Approval in place at that time unless a waiver/variance of the requirements or other legal relief is granted by the ACHD Commission.

Development Process Checklist

Items Completed to Date:

- Submit a development application to a City or to Ada County
- The City or the County will transmit the development application to ACHD
- The ACHD **Planning Review Section** will receive the development application to review
- The **Planning Review Section** will do one of the following:
 - Send a “**No Review**” letter to the applicant stating that there are no site specific conditions of approval at this time.
 - Write a **Staff Level** report analyzing the impacts of the development on the transportation system and evaluating the proposal for its conformance to District Policy.
 - Write a **Commission Level** report analyzing the impacts of the development on the transportation system and evaluating the proposal for its conformance to District Policy.

Items to be completed by Applicant:

- For **ALL** development applications, including those receiving a “**No Review**” letter:
 - The applicant should submit one set of engineered plans directly to ACHD for review by the **Development Review Section** for plan review and assessment of impact fees. (Note: if there are no site improvements required by ACHD, then architectural plans may be submitted for purposes of impact fee assessment.)
 - The applicant is required to get a permit from Construction Services (ACHD) for ANY work in the right-of-way, including, but not limited to, driveway approaches, street improvements and utility cuts.
- Pay Impact Fees prior to issuance of building permit. Impact fees cannot be paid prior to plan review approval.

DID YOU REMEMBER:

Construction (Non-Subdivisions)

- Driveway or Property Approach(s)**
 - Submit a “Driveway Approach Request” form to ACHD Construction (for approval by Development Services & Traffic Services). There is a one week turnaround for this approval.
- Working in the ACHD Right-of-Way**
 - Four business days prior to starting work have a bonded contractor submit a “Temporary Highway Use Permit Application” to ACHD Construction – Permits along with:
 - a) Traffic Control Plan
 - b) An Erosion & Sediment Control Narrative & Plat, done by a Certified Plan Designer, if trench is >50’ or you are placing >600 sf of concrete or asphalt.

Construction (Subdivisions)

- Sediment & Erosion Submittal**
 - At least one week prior to setting up a Pre-Construction Meeting an Erosion & Sediment Control Narrative & Plan, done by a Certified Plan Designer, must be turned into ACHD Construction to be reviewed and approved by the ACHD Stormwater Section.
- Idaho Power Company**
 - Vic Steelman at Idaho Power must have his IPCO approved set of subdivision utility plans prior to Pre-Con being scheduled.
- Final Approval from Development Services is required** prior to scheduling a Pre-Con.

Request for Appeal of Staff Decision

1. **Appeal of Staff Decision:** The Commission shall hear and decide appeals by an applicant of the final decision made by the ROWDS Manager when it is alleged that the ROWDS Manager did not properly apply this section 7101.6, did not consider all of the relevant facts presented, made an error of fact or law, abused discretion or acted arbitrarily and capriciously in the interpretation or enforcement of the ACHD Policy Manual.
 - a. **Filing Fee:** The Commission may, from time to time, set reasonable fees to be charged the applicant for the processing of appeals, to cover administrative costs.
 - b. **Initiation:** An appeal is initiated by the filing of a written notice of appeal with the Secretary of Highway Systems, which must be filed within ten (10) working days from the date of the decision that is the subject of the appeal. The notice of appeal shall refer to the decision being appealed, identify the appellant by name, address and telephone number and state the grounds for the appeal. The grounds shall include a written summary of the provisions of the policy relevant to the appeal and/or the facts and law relied upon and shall include a written argument in support of the appeal. The Commission shall not consider a notice of appeal that does not comply with the provisions of this subsection.
 - c. **Time to Reply:** The ROWDS Manager shall have ten (10) working days from the date of the filing of the notice of appeal to reply to the notice of the appeal, and may during such time meet with the appellant to discuss the matter, and may also consider and/or modify the decision that is being appealed. A copy of the reply and any modifications to the decision being appealed will be provided to the appellant prior to the Commission hearing on the appeal.
 - d. **Notice of Hearing:** Unless otherwise agreed to by the appellant, the hearing of the appeal will be noticed and scheduled on the Commission agenda at a regular meeting to be held within thirty (30) days following the delivery to the appellant of the ROWDS Manager's reply to the notice of appeal. A copy of the decision being appealed, the notice of appeal and the reply shall be delivered to the Commission at least one (1) week prior to the hearing.
 - e. **Action by Commission:** Following the hearing, the Commission shall either affirm or reverse, in whole or part, or otherwise modify, amend or supplement the decision being appealed, as such action is adequately supported by the law and evidence presented at the hearing.