

½ Mile Segment Location: _Colonialtown Community Garden (Spokane and Lake Highland, Mills__

Date: _____7/10/11_____

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1. Pedestrian Facilities (High): presence of a suitable walking surface, such as a sidewalk or path.

1 No permanent facilities; pedestrians walk in roadway or on dirt path

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4 Sidewalks on 1 side of the road and sidewalk stops in front of school



5 Continuous sidewalk on both sides of road, or completely away from roads

2. Pedestrian Conflicts (High): potential for conflict with motor vehicle traffic due to driveway and loading dock crossings, speed and volume of traffic, large intersections, low pedestrian visibility.

1 High conflict potential

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4 Around garden is generally a residential area with slower traffic (see photo 1)

5 Low conflict potential

3. Crosswalks (High): presence and visibility of crosswalks on roads intersecting the segment. Traffic signals meet pedestrian needs with separate 'walk' lights that provide sufficient crossing time.

1 Crosswalks not present despite major intersections

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3 Located at some big intersections



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5 No intersections, or crosswalks clearly marked

4. Maintenance (Medium): cracking, buckling, overgrown vegetation, standing water, etc. on or near walking path. Does not include temporary deficiencies likely to soon be resolved (e.g. tall grass).

1 Major or frequent problems

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4 Overall pretty good shape (see photo3)

5 No problems

5. Buffer (Medium): space separating path from adjacent roadway.

1 No buffer from roadway

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4 > 4 feet from roadway (see photo 3)

5 Not adjacent to roadway

6. Aesthetics (Medium): includes proximity of construction zones, fences, buildings, noise pollution, quality of landscaping, and pedestrian-oriented features, such as benches and water fountains.

1 Uninviting

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5 Pleasant



7. Shade (Medium): amount of shade, accounting for different times of day.

1 No shade

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3 Bigger and more shade trees would improve area (see photo 6)

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5 Full shade

Sum of High importance (1-3): $\underline{10} \times 40 = \underline{400}$

Sum of Medium importance (4-7): $\underline{17} \times 20 = \underline{340}$

Total Score: $\underline{740} / 100 = 74$

Observations

1. What is the most dangerous location along this segment?

Nearby Fern Creek Road presents busy traffic which occasionally cuts through the neighborhood.

2. What is the most unpleasant and pleasant element of this segment?

The area is nice, actually Fern Creek Elementary is architecturally not a fit with neighborhood feel. Busy traffic can make the area feel a little cramped.

The Colonialtown Community Garden is a very pleasant feature with a nice playground and aquatics facility nearby.

3. What improvements would make this segment more appropriate for pedestrian use?

Installing sidewalks on both sides of the street plus additional shade trees on existing sidewalk would improve pedestrian experience. Currently shade trees are on opposite side of the street from existing sidewalks.