

DBNA SPRING/SUMMER UPDATE!

1. Board & General Meeting: 6:30 PM at the Synagogue 10 N Latah on May 16, 2006. Agenda includes most of these items and annual elections of officers and directors. Please attend, and if you want to help in any way, don't be shy!

2. Schools, Crescent Rim & Billboards: During the past year the DBNA has worked to keep our Neighborhood Schools open, worked for a reasonable Crescent Rim Project, and successfully fought to ban billboards from part of Vista Avenue. More challenges and issues remain but fortunately 2006 appears to be a little quieter and less controversial. We will discuss the following issues at our May 16 meeting and any others you wish to bring up. - John Gannon

3. Two Billion in Highway Projects in 2030 Compass Plan: The Compass Communities in Motion Plan includes this much in highway expansion and construction and recognizes a desire for more taxes for public transportation, such as a sales tax increase. Give your views and comment on May 16.

4. Peasley Street House: The developers of the Peasley Street substandard lot house have been invited to speak. DBNA appealed this proposal because of height and setback issues and parking concerns. See what they have to say May 16. Contact Russ Thompson

5. BEST NEW CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AND BEST RESTORATION: Several Directors have suggested we give an award to the best new project and the best restoration project. A house on Columbus, Grover Street homes, Roger Street homes, and a home on Roosevelt come to mind. Several restored homes on Owyhee look pretty good. Think about it and **bring your suggestions to the meeting!**

6. Neighborhood Plan: A DBNA committee along with many members and neighbors have come up with a new Neighborhood Plan reflecting the neighborhood desires for development. It will be presented again and copies available at the May 16 meeting. Contact: Kay Reed, Karan Lockhart, Karen Marker, Martha Borchers.

7. New Starbucks Coffee Location: Starbucks is looking at building a facility on the Northeast corner of Vista & Overland. This is across the street from D.L.Evans Bank. Contact: John Gannon

8. Ruby Street DEQ Tower - A 30 foot slender tower is proposed at the end of Ruby Street, adjacent to the Depot. Stephanie Camarillo has been working to clean up that area and to place the Tower in a better location. Contact Stephanie Camarillo 336-5075

9. Ada County Highway District (ACHD) Plan: ACHD is a separate local government with 5 Commissioners who, generally, are responsible for the streets and major roads in Ada

County. On April 27 they released Staffs proposed 20 year “Improvement Plan” which proposes spending over \$900 million local dollars on expanded and new roads in the County. **A 7 lane Overland Road** between Owyhee and Cole is no longer in the Plan. Most of the money is being spent in the Meridian area and Western Ada County to develop many 5 lane roads. It will be available at the May 16 meeting, and you can comment. Contact John Gannon

10. Roosevelt Pathway: Local governments are looking at a sidewalk/pathway on the Morris Hill Cemetery side of Roosevelt between Bethel and Emerald Street.

11. Columbus Street Skinny Houses: They are now on foundations, so that issue is resolved.

12. Crescent Rim Condos: Design Review has approved the design. A Traffic Committee has been formed with Jack Cortabitarte in charge, and it has conducted a survey of residents. Learn More May 16 or Contact Jack, Mary Hobson, Lydia Powers, Martha Borchers.

13. Trees & Idaho Power: Several tree cuttings on Owyhee and other streets have raised concerns from several residents. We will discuss May 16.

**Thank You For Your Support And Contact John Gannon (343-1608)
Or Kay Reed (336-7367) With Questions or Concerns**