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Corridor Project Seeks Public Input

Presentation of Plans for Eighth St., Garfield Ave., Fourteenth St., East Front St. and West Front St.

Early this year, a Community Workshop was held to kickoff an improvement project for five key Traverse City corridors to help the City understand what it can do to help these streets flourish. Since then, City staff has been working closely with a team of consultants and a Project Steering Committee to prepare plans for improving these important corridors. Each corridor has been studied to identify and plan for a range of issues and opportunities for improvement including: traffic, circulation, biking and pedestrian orientation/safety, land use and development potential among others topics.

The draft plans for the five corridors - Garfield Ave., Eighth Street, Fourteenth Street, East Front St. and West Front St. - will be presented on Wednesday, October 17th from 6-8 p.m. at the Traverse Area District Library on Woodmere Ave. Public comment on the draft plans is welcome and needed to guide their final development.

Elizabeth Whelan is a Boardman Neighborhood resident and member of the Corridor Steering Committee. "The overall goal of the project is to find out what we can do to make these streets better - for residents, for businesses and for all those who use them to get around, whether by car, bike or foot. The Community Workshop generated many good ideas, but we really need people to look over and weigh in on these draft plans."

The draft plans are the result of an 8 month study that included:

- An analysis of existing conditions on the corridors,
- 3 workshops gathering public input,
- A web-based community issues mapping and visual preference survey,
- A demographic and economic analysis.

The plans, once complete, will guide the City in making decisions concerning transportation, housing and physical improvements to the streets. More information can be found on the City's web site www.ci.traverse-city.mi.us or by contacting City Planning at 231.922.4778.

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