

GOLDEN US 6 AND HERITAGE ROAD INTERCHANGE DESIGN KICK-OFF

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VALUE THEME A ACCESSIBLE AND WALKABLE

We value being a community that is walkable, bikeable, and accessible to all.

- Overpass/underpass for bikers? Looked like this is planned for a bridge nearby.
- Make bike and pedestrian facilities high contrast.
- Reduce speeding of car.
- Accommodate fearless and family bicycle users.
- Encourage through traffic to use the main highway and supplemental roads (eg. 470, Colfax).
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- Separate vehicular and bicycle traffic on Heritage between Eagle Ridge Rd and 6th Ave trail for as far east as practical - bike lanes, wider walkways, don't share turn lanes as bike lanes.
- So many cars go west on Heritage from 6th Ave North. What about 10 years from now?
- Design so bike and peds not compete with cars.
- Make ped and bike crossing at lowest traffic volume on- and off-ramps.
- Something similar to 19th Street. Meeting area for pedestrian/cyclists while feet traffic runs underneath. Slower traffic on bridge to make it safe.
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VALUE THEME B ACTIVE OUTDOORS/ENVIRONMENT

We value being an active, healthy community that appreciates the outdoors and our connection to the natural environment.

- Co-exist with wildlife corridors.
- Vegetation.
- Native plants.
- Designed to aggressively minimize traffic noise.
- softscape.
- Spring flowers!! Color!!
- Some shade?
- Minimize large elevation differences to cross.
- Have lots of trees to keep noise down and add shade and keep views of mountains for those making local turns on and off and keep thru traffic below grade.
- Enable pedestrians to view the scenery.
- More trees along Highway.
- Porous pavers or other ways to help spread out water rather than running off.
- Maximize Green Spaces and Tree Canopy.

VALUE THEME C SAFE, CLEAN, QUIET NEIGHBORHOODS

We value safe, quiet, clean, well-maintained neighborhoods.

- Funding for maintenance.
- Clean and simple landscaping on commercial side.
- Don't make it feel like a bridge over a highway. Like 19th street, make it a park with a highway under it.
- reduce auto pollution.
- low incline so we don't hear truck brakes.
- Lower HWYs to minimize road noise.
- Reduce noise.
- Bike and pedestrian facilities that are easy to maintain.
- Lower HWYs to minimize road noise.
- Spreads humps on the speed (noise) down.
- How has the 19th interchange changed noise in the neighborhood west of 6th?
- Highway under to keep noise down.
- Light pollution from auto noise abatement.
- Safety is number one. Visibility is an important element of safety. (Don't put so much vegetation that it makes it a safety risk.)
- With current 19th exchange with design and below grade for through traffic it helps make those exiting into neighborhoods feel part of city.
- Keep traffic flowing to minimize pollution of start/stop.

VALUE THEME D LOCAL BUSINESSES AND DOWNTOWN

We value supporting our local businesses, and keeping a vibrant downtown for future generations.

- Signage like Gateway to Golden.
- easy and convenient to get to heritage businesses.
- make easy access to side streets.
- Keep 19th as welcome to golden gateway.
- wayfinding.
- Clear trail signage (eg. to 6th Ave Trail or Slacks St).
- make local businesses more accessible to light rail and jeffco building.
- make it easy for residents off heritage to get downtown (on bikes).
- maybe a gateway experience for the trails system.
- this could be a gateway to jeffco government offices.
- Totally agree with noise reduction at 19th. But the vehicle through sectors below grade.
- I like the one billboard that says FARMERS MARKET this Saturday. Very attractive.
- Park in Jeffco center on weekends and holidays to downtown.
- Golden ridge Rd has become quite busy. Make sure we have and turning conflicts are minimized.
- the bike path through the 6th/19th area is a big improvement and could be improved if this model is followed. Thanks for the response about noise.
- Weekend shuttle between Jeffco Station and downtown would be great. Like fixed route FlexRide.
- improve signal at Warner Dr. Another Roundabout?
- Better Signage to Gov't Center?
- Golden Ridge/Warner roundabout - could reduce pavement space from 2-3 lanes worth at each approach for easier crossing with well-design paths.
- A lot of Heritage cyclists turn left to access the NB US 6 rec trail and conflict with vehicles. Reduce or remove this conflict.
- Access. access. access.
- like, B cycle, bike rental places.
- nice-to-have water station like 19th.
- The existing roundabout on Heritage were a nightmare during construction, but most obviously in design. You're not using the same civil engineers are you?

VALUE THEME E CONVENIENCE / AMENITIES

We value retaining convenience to services and amenities, and our proximity to Denver and mountains.

- improve signal at Warner Dr. Another roundabout?
- Make crossing Heritage (especially at Warner) easier.
- It is not easy to get to Downtown Golden from that Heritage intersection.
- bike stations.
- access to the Splash and Golf Course could be improved.
- How do you get to Splash LCL?
- this area is a key connection to light rail, trail connections. Apex open space, businesses.
- water point for bikers and hikers.
- bird / lyft scooter stations.
- signage for the paths so walkers/hikers know where to go.
- Community garden?
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VALUE THEME F HISTORY / EDUCATION

We value our appreciation of history and the arts, and support for quality education.

- like 19th, add some art to the interchange.
- traffic circles on heritage road seem to tight. Could have signage for heritage square area.
- This is very close to a couple of extremely significant historic sites.
- considering this as a key connection to schools on both sides.
- Golden has great art pieces around town. This would be a good spot as well.
- public art installation.
- Changing information on electronic signs.
- Wanted there talk of including a drive-in movie/event space around here?
- Use story maps to show the development of the design, engineering and results of the interchanges.
- More art structures like on 19th.
- Info about the history.
- Art exhibit with link to the City of Golden.
- Boards to illustrate the history of Golden.
- Make the heritage and other typical 'civil' elements artistic.
- recycling educational signs. Be gentle to the environment.
- this is a key connection to the middle and high school.
- Maybe it is because there is no shade, but walking across 93 on 19th doesn't seem to incentivize stopping on the 19th exchange park area.
- Buffalo Bill on his horse (smaller than DIA horse).
- Interactive panel for nearby kids and Tripp ranch.
- dinosaurs are part of history, are there any fossils in the area similar to the exhibits near the golf course?

VALUE THEME G FAMILY AND KID FRIENDLY

We value being a family-friendly, kid-friendly, and kid-supportive community.

- already said, but bike connectivity comfortable for kids.
- there are many gardens and paths at the Jeffco center, make these more accessible.
- Consider slower walking speeds of our older neighbors in design calculations.
- safe and comfortable enough that parents with kids supervising unattended.
- Need trash cans.
- 19th St park does not seem to get a lot of use. I like the big lid though!
- Survey Bell students for their input.
- what are the kids really wanting to get to?
- High school kids with the 'coming soon' sign.
- water/dog fountain.
- Definitely a +1 to a water fountain out of the back of the 19th street bridge is that.
- Maybe make it a 'walking' park instead of a sit and stay park. Create walking and bike friendly interactive art.
- Displays on both sides.
- Bill Middle school a dog park for us.

VALUE THEME H FRIENDLINESS / NEIGHBORS

We value maintaining friendliness and connections with neighbors and other residents.

- Wide walkways so ped traffic is not congested.
- Rose garden at jail.
- pedestrian level lighting.
- Friendliness means full separation of vehicles / pedestrians / bicyclists.
- The design can make it look human-friendly as opposed to industrial.
- highly support the value of creating something that creates connections in the community, as opposed to the barrier that traditional highways create.

VALUE THEME I SENSE OF COMMUNITY

We value keeping and enhancing our sense of community, pride, our diversity and tolerance of others, and our community character and community events. Golden values a community supported by a diversity of people, generations, activities, public spaces and amenities.

- Maybe some public art that celebrates who we are.
- Keep it well maintained, historical and signage to amenities.
- Now is a really wonderful time to look for ways to celebrate and integrate diversity.
- Good restaurants and "beer garden" in the neighborhood.
- Respect of different needs and values during design process.
- Recognizing the space will be utilized by pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers from the metro area and beyond and making it welcoming and intuitive for these individuals and families.

GENERAL COMMENTS / OTHER THEMES

I loved how LITTLE the 6th Ave traffic was disturbed when going under 19th St. Same for Heritage intersection?!

Agreed - little impact is very important.

Agree, the lack of traffic disruption was truly impressive! I hope the Heritage intersection will be similar.

Is there any chance that 93 would become larger than it's existing 4 lanes? I would want to discourage that!

Tie the brand to the Larist Loop, which include heritage road, yes? Larist Link, Larist Connection, Connecting the Larist.

Great ideas! Other possible branding options include: Golden Heritage Key, Heritage Legacy.

Did somebody reference a nautilus? Sounds like a brand in the making. :)

How did you hear about this meeting? "Other" Responses.

The sign on US 6.

How hear missing Street sign?

NextDoor.

Golden Informer.

For other source of information, Golden Today.com.

Consider Nextdoor (Golden as another communication tool).

A lot of traffic at this intersection will be dealing with Jefferson County try to encourage use of Golden.

Don't overdo on bridge - cost is important.

19th Street work was excellent...Just duplicate it.

Have you considered a flyover for Northbound 6th turning West onto Heritage?

Generally - what is the timeline for the project?

A: About an 18 mo. process.

How did you like this meeting format?

Your presentation tools were great.

love the sticky notes!

Good format.

this format is more inclusive for families! Thank you!

It means I can make dinner while listening :-)

I found the virtual format to be more accessible than the in-person meetings for busy families and schedules, and just as effective if not more so. Thank you.

I liked the format.

Great job - allows a lot of input in a short period of time and also allows input from many! Keep up the good work!

I agree :)

CREAT JOB EVERYONE! I love the opportunity to participate in helping keep Golden's character and everything else we love about living here!! This does not happen everywhere!

Also liked the interactive virtual format. It was hard to get to in-person public meetings - train normally got to Golden at -6, then had to get to car, drive, and park.

please do use the reg list for future communication.

Great idea for the email list! Don't diss the virtual experience, it has many benefits.

Really like the Zoom meeting. It's convenient, I can stay home and get dinner for my family while the meeting progresses.

Zoom and associated tools worked MUCH BETTER than I expected. A new standard to encourage greater community participation.

Love the 'menti' feedback/survey option. I hope other departments in Golden will use this also. Great questions starting out - asking how many residents and how long respondents have lived in Golden. Thank you!

Really enjoyed the background that Dan shared also, long time in the making!

Good Job. Like the virtual format. Thank you.

Thanks to everyone for participating. Very helpful to the design team.

Thank you everyone for your thoughtful comments and ideas. They are all very helpful as we move into design.