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MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Public Works
From: Bernard Lenz – Utility Manager
Date: 09-10-2018
Subject: Jackson Street Sidewalk Ramps on WDOT Project

The WDOT to date has focused on a single sidewalk ramp design (see attached detail) for the Hwy 33 reconstruction that is not compatible with corner storm sewer inlets, common along Jackson St/ Hwy 33. To accommodate their preferred ramp design, the WDOT is requesting the City to choose between offset crosswalks by up to 10 feet or the placement of flat storm inlets that do not have the curb face trash rack.

Neither option is acceptable to the City Staff. The concern with off-set crosswalks is safety of the public. The concern with flat drains is flooding and high maintenance needs.

The Assistant City Engineer and Utility Manager are asking the board to reject the WDOT typical detail and authorize funding for specific corner by corner design work of alternate approaches.

Funding would be split between Bike/Ped CIP funding sources and Strom Water Utility operating budget.

Thank You