

Memorandum

REPORT TO: Inter-Neighborhood Council

FROM: Inter-Neighborhood Council Representatives

SUBJECT: Neighborhood Written Updates & Follow-Up Questions (10 minutes)

MEETING DATE: May 14, 2026

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Citizen Advisory Board/Commission

RECOMMENDATION: None

STRATEGIC PLAN: 7.3 Best Practices, Creativity & Foresight: Utilize best practices, innovative approaches, and constantly anticipate new directions and changes relevant to the governance of the City. Be also adaptable and flexible with an outward focus on the customer and an external understanding of the issues as others may see them.

BACKGROUND:

Bozeman Creek Neighborhood Association
The neighborhood had their annual meeting on April 27. There were two items of concerns from the neighbors in the Bozeman Creek Neighborhood, but Deputy Mayor Fischer will be addressing them with the proper departments. One is the watering of the plants at the entrance to the Gallagator Trail on Garfield and the other is placement of the mobile speed limit apparatus in the neighborhood to inform drivers of the 25 mile per hour speed limit.

Figgins Addition Neighborhood Association

1. A mountain lion was spotted along the trail that follows the marsh/wetland behind Figgins. FWP came to try to find the mountain lion but could not locate it. Signs were put up warning people to be aware.
2. A traffic calming device request was been approved by the City Streets department. I met with Danae and Taylor in April to discuss the planter, flowers and painting of the traffic calming project at the intersection of Arnold and Langhor. Four families who live near the intersection have volunteered to take the lead in decorating, painting and planting. Danae and Taylor also spent time with me looking at options to slow traffic near the crosswalk on the west side of Morning Star Elementary. They recommended a sign be placed in the crosswalk, more trees to be planted on the boulevard strips and perhaps season parking (summer) on both sides of the street to try and slow cars down heading east on Arnold.
3. Neighbors are starting to plan the annual neighborhood potluck.

New Hyalite View Neighborhood Association

Annual Meeting coming up on Monday, May 18 at the Library - we are looking forward to an update on the playground.

See: <https://www.bozeman.net/departments/parks-and-recreation/parks/planning-and-development/cedarview-park-master-plan#ad-image-0>

We also have on the agenda:

1. Officers election
2. Communication system info and approval
3. Addi Jadin - Parks and Rec update
4. Expansion of our neighborhood discussion
5. City Commission member or staff Q&A
6. General discussion

South Central Association of Neighbors

The seven-person SCAN Steering Committee met on 4/27 at Jim Webster's house with Teri Inscoe absent. The meeting went 90 minutes from 4:30 to 6pm.

I (Jim Webster) gave a debrief on what had happened thus far with the Study Commission. The zoom call referred to in the other write-up, took place immediately following this meeting. We discussed best communication practices and nothing really emerged although steering committee member Jim Klabunde and his son were going to work further on some aspects of it. Tammy Minge, who will attend for SCAN at the May 14th INC meeting, shared some of her experiences on a subcommittee for SCAN that was specific to the NCOD several years ago when SCAN was functioning with a different group at the helm. Mary Lou Osman spoke of her experience as the SCAN member that attended the Lakota Group's recent Focus on the NCOD Group meeting.

Overall, it was a pretty good meeting, but the question remains, "As the city is footing the bill for the Lakota Group's work, how much pushback will they give the city on NCOD Guidelines??" Tammy spoke re issues like parking and how it fits into NCOD neighborhoods and remodeling vs. full-scale demolition. Also brought up was the Bendon-Adams report from June 2019 and how will the Lakota report differ from it? (**SEE ATTACHED** for the Bendon-Adams report and send it to be included in this packet, as it is excellent! I will encourage all INC reps to send out to neighborhood residents whether in the NCOD or not, as it informs the reader base of some of the issues out there. This report was put together I was told, at a cost of \$50,000 to the city in 2019 and I share this simply as information.

The Lakota Group's work is costing the city, \$30,000: again, just information.

University Neighborhood Association

The UNA will be holding their Spring Meeting on May 26th at the American

Indian Hall. Speakers include Nick Ross to give an update on street renovations, Alison Sweeney to give an update on the Landmark Program, Deanna Campbell to give an update on the Bozeman Study Commission, Greg Garrigues to give an update on the NCOD Focus Group progress, and Felix Spinelli to give an update on the Story Mansion.

There is also a President's Reception for the neighborhoods surrounding MSU on May 26th. The UNA will have quite a few neighbors attending. We have also submitted questions and asks to Matt Caires, Dean of Students, and he will be sending them off to President Tessman and his cabinet. The UNA is thrilled with this incredible show of goodwill on the part of MSU to collaborate with their neighbors.

Valley Unit Neighborhood Association - see attached

Valley West/Take Lake Neighborhood Association

Valley West/The Lakes Neighborhood is growing slowly. The email list is now up to 40 names. Our homeowners association has given the neighborhood association some time to speak at its annual meeting at the end of June, which will hopefully encourage more participation.

The Earth Week clean up day was canceled due to snow but a neighbors cleaned up on their own when the weather was better. We still have the supplies and hope to reschedule a neighborhood wide effort before summer.

UNRESOLVED ISSUES: None

ALTERNATIVES: None

FISCAL EFFECTS: None

Attachments:

[April 2026 VUNA report.pdf](#)

[2019 NCOD Review by Bendon Adams.pdf](#)

Report compiled on: May 6, 2026