



Rogue Valley Transportation District

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Date: 11/12/2019
To: City of Ashland
CC: Jennifer Boardman
From: Paige West
RE: Grand Terrace

The proposed Grand Terrace development provides a unique opportunity to accommodate a bus stop with the steep hill heading south on Hwy 99. However, RVTD believes it can site a bus stop just to the north of the railroad trestle adjacent to the southbound lane if the following accommodations can be met.

There are safety considerations for how the bus will accelerate in the travel lane itself. In our internal staff report we found we can reach 20 mph in the travel lane once we reach the trestle. To site a stop at this location we believe a bus merge lane adjacent to the travel lane will be necessary for approximately 60 feet but perhaps longer to gain enough speed to safely enter the travel lane at 25 or 30 mph prior to the trestle. There are portions of the steep hill that may require removal, but, with a merging lane, a bus stop is possible and RVTD is willing to facilitate bus service to the property. RVTD would prefer to further examine this location with assistance from City and ODOT engineers to see if this is can be accommodated. The bus stop itself would be approximately 150-200 feet north of the trestle. RVTD also requests that in addition to the planned sidewalk a concrete pad for a shelter of 10 feet wide by 8 feet deep is provided.

Additional considerations are the provision of a pedestrian ramp nearby but connected to the sidewalk leading to the bus stop to meet ADA compliance and a staircase to or nearby the bus stop for ambulatory passengers to reach the transit stop.

Thank you,

Paige West
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City of Ashland Planning Exhibit

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