

## **Pedestrian Committee**

### **Meeting on August 7, 2025**

### **Discussion Summary\***

**\*Note:** A quorum of Pedestrian Committee members was not met. The summary below, therefore, does not reflect an official meeting of the Pedestrian Committee.

#### **Attendance**

- Members in attendance: Robin Bonner (Vice Chair), Sean Peirce, Janet Stein, Jenine Turner-Trauring
- Members not in attendance: Debby Galef, Alexandra Hallowell, John Leo, Kevin Leckey, Michael McGowan, Xander Mitchell, Bernhard Nickel, Jeannine Powers, Maryann Quinn, Logan Read
- City staff: Nick Schmidt (DOT)

#### **Discussion during Grand Junction Connector site walk**

- Potential path alignments along Simoni Rink or through Gold Star Mothers Park:
  - Rufo Road on the west side of the rink is often busy with hockey pick-up/drop-off
  - The path on the east side of the rink is often busy with softball/baseball activity
  - The path through the park on the south side of the ballfield would require careful planning and design
- In the longer term, use of the Grand Junction rail right-of-way on the west and north side of Twin Cities Plaza is ideal for a regional path
- Path alignment preference:
  - Attendees were less concerned about a pedestrian path alignment through or near Gold Star Mothers Park, as they will circulate wherever they'd like and there are many options
  - Attendees preferred a bike path alignment along the east side of Simoni Rink
- Path transitions to/from existing Gore Street shared-use path are challenging. It's unclear how bicyclists should enter/exit without clear markings and signs or safe ways to cross traffic