

North Main Revitalization Initiative

Enhancing North Main - Energizing Sheridan!

Layher Block Party (1335 Ridgeway)—June 13th, 2008

1) What are North Main's biggest assets? (How it was and how it is?)

- We still look better than Casper or Billings.
- Quiet neighborhoods
- People are social
- Great neighbors!
- Nice street
- Wildlife
- Fishing pond - dock
- Cul de sac street (Ridgeway)
- Proximity to Mavrakis pond
- Recycling and proximity to green waste bin
- #1 Western town

2) What is needed to generally improve North Main? (Challenges and Opportunities)

- Hillside slipping - 1325 Ridgeway
- Pathway plans - ground behind the house - utilize as path?
- McCoy on this side (west) of creek - 6' easement on 8th Street, 50' on his - does he still have to do the snow? On the other side 8'.
- Spruce up skate park for the kids - nicer, bigger. Security cameras have helped. Kids don't know where to skate on 8th Street on their way to another area.
- Billings skate park is excellent. Concrete and permanent, with supervision.

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- Kids want to be where things are happening.
- Concerns of security and cleanliness.
- More trees; extend look of downtown to the north.
- North end is industrial, how do you make the buildings look better. Need a standard - trees, cover to buildings, lights, curb, sidewalks.
- Artwork at north end of town - especially important for tourists.
- Statues downtown are great.
- Need to bring more professionals to north end of town - doctors, engineers, etc.
- Put in water world or spray park.
- Need something open until 10 p.m. on north end of town.
- Don't want this area changed to the way it was for someone somewhere else.
- Need trees, greenery shrubs - North Main is drab.
- Entryway signs - "Welcome to Sheridan" - need additional signs and existing signs need to be bigger/more attractive.
- Downtown looks congruent but North Main does not have a congruent look and feel.
- Industrial development shouldn't be in the main corridor of the city.
- Need a grocery store on the north end of town.
- Larger stores - Target, Lowe's - to pull traffic to north end.
- Need more variety and number of restaurants - Red Robin, Applebee's, Olive Garden.
- Need to consider stoplights on Main at 8th and 11th streets.
- Need street lighting on Ridgeway and on the hill coming up 8th Street.

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- Corner of 8th and Ridgeway - blind left turn onto 8th Street.
- Complete pathway - 8th Street, 11th Street
- Dumpster at skate park is filthy - looks terrible.
- Skate park is not central enough, needs to be more centrally located so more kids can access.
- Make North Main congruent in look with downtown - don't do whole separate theme.

3) How do we engage people?

- More block parties! Like this format - brings people together.