



# Garden City Livable Streets Plan

## November 2012 Workshop

### Why a Livable Streets Plan?

Garden City is experiencing a re-birth due to its proximity to the river, its convenient location near downtown Boise, and the many recreational and cultural amenities within a short walking, bicycling or driving distance from its neighborhoods. ACHD and Garden City are interested in coordinating policies and projects to help promote effective and efficient growth as the city evolves. To that end, the Livable Streets Plan will identify strategies to:

- ⇒ Create neighborhoods and streets that are compatible;
- ⇒ Improve safety and access for all transportation modes.
- ⇒ Optimize access to existing or planned destinations by increasing mobility options;
- ⇒ Foster a vibrant and thriving city through roadway and land use design; and
- ⇒ Generate an implementation plan to assign roles, develop partnerships, and ensure accountability.



Above: Street design cross-section from ACHD's Livable Streets Design Guide.

### What are the outcomes of the Plan?

The Livable Streets Plan will create strategies for ACHD, Garden City and its partners to pursue, including:

- ⇒ New Garden City-specific Livable Streets guidance to align with ACHD's Livable Streets Design Guide (left);
- ⇒ Short-term improvements for bicyclists, pedestrians and greenbelt users to promote mobility;
- ⇒ Implementation tools for policies, projects and practices such as stormwater management and urban design; and
- ⇒ Funding strategies and partnership opportunities.

### What's next?

Today's meeting is one of two public meetings scheduled to identify implementation strategies for Garden City. The next meeting will occur in Spring 2013. Based on input from today's workshop, we will formulate a distinct set of implementation actions to be used by ACHD and Garden City to update policies, identify and build projects, and work with various partners to implement other facets of the plan. Garden City will use some recommendations from this plan to update its Comprehensive Plan in 2013.



A primary goal of the Plan is to identify implementation strategies to connect places within and near Garden City through an interconnected transportation systems that is convenient for all users and all modes. This will only be accomplished with land use strategies and design that also support transportation options.

