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City of Delta Junction Council Members,

As an involved, lifelong community member I have a few positive suggestions. I feel the community would be appreciative if the City is able to provide these improvements.

Nistler Road Crosswalk = KIDS SAFETY

As a parent with children attending DES I've noticed the increased traffic on Nistler Road. As I sit waiting for my turn to pull out onto Nistler, after dropping my kids off, I often worry about the students crossing the street between the high school/middle school/elementary. I watch kids waiting in the ditch for their turn to cross on the busy street every day. The crosswalk is by the hockey rink which seems only convenient for kids going to the rink. My elementary kids go on field trips, but how many students cross the road throughout the school year? Kids attending Ski Club. Kids using the Liewer Trail. A crosswalk closer to the elementary school would be safer and more practical. I truly think our community deserves better. A flashy crosswalk seems like an easy solution to this potential safety issue. Highly visible paint? Street signs with flashers between 8am and 5pm? It would be a small cost to incur for the safety of our children. Estimated cost \$5000-9000.



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Welcome to DELTA???

As a local business owner, I know how important it is for our visitors to feel wowed when they arrive to our beautiful little Alaskan town. Our welcome signs have seen better days. And it has been an issue for years. As a former member of the Delta Junction Chamber of Commerce, I understand that the Welcome to Delta signs were the Chamber's shared responsibility with the City of Delta. In 2018 Craig Cugini, a Fort Greely representative, and Chamber members spent many hours working up a proposal to have new signs made. A decision was never made and the project was not completed. The Chamber dissolved, so the signs truly fall on the City of Delta Junction. A sign mockup was designed that can easily be altered if needed. Can we get this to move forward; order modern metal/steel signs, ones that will last for years with minimal maintenance? Can we splurge for some lighting?

Our community is unique, not only because our small town Alaskan vibes, but also because of our neighboring community, Fort Greely. Think about our governor or the President of the United States driving past our falling-over, weathered Welcome to Delta sign. Old signs could be repurposed at the visitor if feasible.

Please consider taking ownership and investing in some decent signs. Attached are photos of what our signs look like now and one suggestion.



Let's spruce up those signs, welcome our visitors, and show them that we are proud of where we live.

Estimated cost \$12,000-22,000

Community Bathroom Needs

The Sullivan Roadhouse Museum and Farmers Market area get a lot of traveling visitors May-Sept, as well as many locals year round. It would be a great addition to our community to feature a restroom facility onsite, centralized right in the middle of town. Maybe something similar to what was built at the City Park. The local businesses that have restrooms are overwhelmed with upkeep. I have seen people go behind businesses because there is no convenient 24/7 location. The majority of travelers aren't aware of the City Park option because it is off the main highway. It would make a comfortable stop and eliminate nasty waste and litter. I am sure that the Sullivan Roadhouse volunteers and Farmer's Market members would appreciate this also. Could Covid related funds be used? It is a health challenge.



Thanks for your time and consideration. Feel free to reach out to me.

Kindly,
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