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DrivingChange Sheridan Bond Improvements Program Kicks Off With Public Meeting and Contractor Selection

May 4, 2016 – Sheridan, CO – **DrivingChange**, the voter-approved Sheridan Bond Improvements Program, has set a public meeting Wednesday, May 11 to kick-off the beginning of construction set to start in May. The purpose of *DrivingChange* is to enhance the community through a series of reconstruction projects addressing street, bridge, drainage and stormwater issues.

This public meeting will provide an overview of the program, introduce the project team and allow time for residents and business owners to ask questions about the various projects, estimated timelines and potential impacts.

“Above all we want the community to know they are an important part of the *DrivingChange* program, and to be informed about what is going to happen, and when,” said Sheridan City Manager Devin Granbery, “We want the public to understand how these projects benefit our community in the long-term.”

The public meeting is scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, May 11 at the Sheridan Municipal Building’s City Council Chambers, 4101 S. Federal Boulevard. A formal presentation begins at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Kraemer North America was recently selected as the contractor for the construction phase of the first two projects. Kraemer North America takes pride in building strong relationships in the communities where they work. They are committed to providing quality projects on schedule and budget.

“All the proposals and interviews were very thorough and exceeded the City of Sheridan expectations,” said Granbery. “In the end, it came down to the team that demonstrated commitment, experience with comparable work and value.”

Now that Kraemer is on board, construction begins in May at Zone 1A: West Princeton Place, South Clay Street and South Irving Street. Zone 1B will follow closely in early June, which includes the area known as the “Bottoms” between Zuni Street and the Platte River north of US Hwy 285.

DrivingChange is critical for the community with 75 percent of Sheridan’s streets having been noted as being in fair or poor condition, with crumbling sidewalks, drainage issues causing water damage, and areas with high accident rates and traffic congestion. Each year these issues weren’t addressed, the cost for repairs increased by more than \$1 million. Construction cost for all the bond improvements projects combined is estimated at \$31 million and will take approximately four years to complete with an estimated monthly tax impact of \$9.92 per \$100,000 of a home’s actual market value.

For updated project information, please visit: www.co-sheridan.civicplus.com, email: drivingchange@ci.sheridan.co.us or phone: 303-438-3322.