

**Minutes of the
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION**

September 3, 2015

8:30 a.m.

H.R. Conference Room, 301 W. "B" Street

Agenda Items Marked with * indicate additional materials included in packet

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman: Scott Hobson

Time of Call: 8:52 a.m.

MPO Members Present: Scott Hobson, Reyna Quintana

TAC Members Present: Dan Centa, Don Bruestle, Pepper Whittlef, Michael Snow, Eppie Griego

CAC Members Present: Kristen Castor, Salvatore Piscitelli

Others Present:

2. Introductions and Public Comments (non-agenda items only).

No introductions

Scott noticed that were several County Planning Commission members in attendance however there were no City Planning Commission members. He mentioned that we need to send a memo to get City Planning Commission members to attend.

3. Approval of Minutes of the regular meeting held on August 6, 2015 and July 9, 2015

There was a typo on page 2 of the August minutes which referred to Intersection 258 as 285. There was also a correction to the July minutes on page 2 paragraph 5 which read "Dan Centa asked how we all of sudden" Corrected to "all of a sudden". Minutes were approved with these changes.

Motion to Approve: Don Bruestle

Second: Kristen Castor

Unanimous

4. CDOT Region II TIP/STIP Regular Agenda Item(s)

There were no Policy Notifications for November.

5. CDOT Region II TIP/STIP Administrative Agenda Items *

CDOT Region II had notification of four (4) administrative amendments of Roll Forward Project Funding to the PACOG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) in the MPO/TPR area.

Project Name: **State Highway 96 Signal Project**
STIP Number: SR26644.058
Project Location and Description: Signal Replacement
Federal Program Funds: **\$ 675,000**
State Matching Funds: **\$ 75,000**
Local Matching Funds: **\$**
Other Project Funds: **\$**
TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$ 750,000

This project is being moved from fiscal year 2016 to fiscal year 2019 to be included in SH 96 paving project.

Project Name: **State Highway 45 at Hollywood Signal Project**
STIP Number: SR26644.059
Project Location and Description: Signal Replacement
Federal Program Funds: **\$ 405,000**
State Matching Funds: **\$ 45,000**
Local Matching Funds: **\$**
Other Project Funds: **\$**
TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$ 450,000

This project is being moved from fiscal year 2017 to fiscal year 2018 to be included in SH 45 paving project.

Project Name: **State Highway 45 at LeHigh Signal Project**
STIP Number: SR26644.060
Project Location and Description: Signal Replacement
Federal Program Funds: **\$ 405,000**
State Matching Funds: **\$ 45,000**
Local Matching Funds: **\$**
Other Project Funds: **\$**
TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$ 450,000

This project is being moved from fiscal year 2017 to fiscal year 2018 to be included in SH 45 paving project.

Project Name: **FTA 5310 Capital Awards for Calendar Year 2015**
STIP Number: SST2727
Project Location and Description: Bus Replacement
Federal Program Funds: **\$ 308,000**
State Matching Funds: **\$**
Local Matching Funds: **\$ 77,000**
Other Project Funds: **\$**
TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$ 385,000

Awarded in January 2015

6. Proposed RTA Projects – Role of TAC/CAC *

The incorrect memo was in the packet, Scott will forward the correct memo to all TAC members. The memo stated that we want to identify projects to include in an RTA but we don't want to create the list until after the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan is complete. Scott stated that we need to utilize the TAC committee in choosing these projects rather than just going to the PACOG Committee.

A discussion regarding an RTA was started when Don Brustle asked if we could hold public meetings to get more input on creating an RTA. Michael Snow asked if there was a spearhead committee to form the RTA and warned that because the MPO staff was funded through federal grants those individuals cannot do any lobbying or political effort behind an RTA. There has to be a committee or even a single person to request creation of an RTA to the MPO. It was determined that PACOG had already made this request and what is needed now is a list of potential projects to present to those interested in possibly spearheading an RTA. Scott mentioned that the list of projects in the 2040 LRTP that are not federally, state or developer funded could make up the list of projects for an RTA.

7. 2040 LRTP Update *

Nine out of the twelve chapters are in final draft form. Once all chapters are complete we will make them available to the TAC before they become open to the public. When a final document is completed it will go to PACOG and have a 30 day comment period. Reyna mentioned that in chapter 2 section 2.3.2 the amount of curb ramps installed per year needs to be changed to an average. She stated she will talk to the consultants about this change. Scott set a date of Thursday, September 17 to have comments on the chapters currently provided back to the MPO staff. An email will be sent out one week prior to remind TAC members to get their comments in.

8. West Pueblo Connector – RFP – 11th to Downtown *

Scott stated that the focus of this study is the road alignment from West 18th Street over the railroad yard and connecting to West 8th Street. A prebid for this study is set for September 16th with proposals due September 30th. This project has been moved forward to be included in the new UPWP.

9. Staff Report

- **Pueblo Transit Operation Study**

Reyna informed the TAC that she is waiting for Pat Manzanares at Transit to complete her portion of the Transit RFP. The study will be looking at the Transit system as a whole and how it can better serve the customers. Scott stated that it would also look at a potential express route from Pueblo West to the Transit Center.

- **Pueblo County Safe Routes to Schools Planning**

Scott stated that the county staff which was scheduled to present to this item was unable to attend the meeting. This item will be moved to next month's agenda.

10. Adjournment

Chairman Scott Hobson adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.