

**Minutes of the
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
May 9, 2019
8:30 a.m.**

Roll Call Room (2nd Floor) of the Pueblo Municipal Justice Center, 200 South Main Street

Agenda items marked with * indicate additional materials are included in the packet.

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AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman: John Adams

Time of Call: 8:32 a.m.

MPO Members Present: John Adams, Bart Mikitowicz, Hannah Haurert

TAC Members Present: Don Bruestle, Ian Turner, Wendy Pettit, Dave Benbow, Brad Curtis

CAC Members Present:

Others Present: Aaron Willis, Kevin Sparks, Sal Piscitelli, Glenn Krause

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

Introductions were made for Aaron Willis (CDOT Headquarters Office), Dave Benbow (Pueblo County Public Works), and Glenn Krause (CDOT).

Region 2 is wanting a letter of support to permanently open Gate 19 (off of I-25 by Fountain and Santa Fe Ave) for military use. CDOT will apply for the TIGER Grant to fund it. Brad Curtis suggested Exit 108 to be included.

Kevin Sparks said that there are 30 ACI Grade 1 (Concrete) students that have graduated and are ready to start construction.

3. Approval of Minutes of the regular meeting held on April 11, 2019.

Motion to Approve: Brad Curtis

Second: Sal Piscitelli

Unanimous

4. CDOT Region 2 Updates (Informational)

Wendy Pettit said the STAC meeting kick off of the 2045 Long-Range Plan is early because of the Holiday. County hearings for May has been canceled and will be rescheduled for July or August. TIP adopting will still be delayed. Final documents need to be approved by September. Everything drafted by August for public hearing. A good draft by July. Aaron Willis said there are going to be 3 rounds of meetings for the Statewide Plan for public

engagement. She also said that projects aren't moving in Pueblo and we need to execute contracts. John Adams said that they are probably on Sam Vigil's desk. We don't have to worry about STIP/TIP roll forwards this month.

5. 2019 Transportation Bonding Question on Hold* (Informational)

Senate Bill 1801 in 2018 will be pushed back a year to add it to the ballot. There are 267 Funds of \$50m SB 1801) and \$100m out of general fund. The state will get \$61m, the County will get \$22m, and the City will get \$18m. Hwy 50 West (Purcell interchange) is included in those funds. There are no funds to do I-25.

6. Transportation Planning Reset (Discussion)

There was a kickoff for the Long Range Plan for the CDOT's new Executive Director wants to take a look at the Transportation Planning Process for the State, the primary is the Transportation Improve Program that include 4 years and 6 years of projects. This time next year CDOT should have a draft.

7. Bustang Park-and-Ride (Discussion)

Bart Mikitowicz handed out a packet for the alternatives, he looked at the Nelson-Nygaard report back in 2016. The study included to hold 100-200 cars, have EV charging, and shelters. Lisa Streisfeld is the head of it. The Governor wants zero emissions. Bart's list included several locations north and south and in-between. A few members of TAC ruled out several locations just because of the flood plain.

Kevin Sparks asked if anyone has looked at the Transit center being adequate, Bart said that he heard there was going to be a north and south HUB. Bustang will be coming into downtown. John Adams did say that Pepper said (when she was Interim Transit Director) that Transit would be able to make a stop over in the Kohls area. The only problem with that area is that it would need to be rezoned for a parking lot. Our next step would be internal review and to narrow it down to one location.

The new Transit Admin and Maintenance have narrowed it down to one location and will meet with the property owner's.

8. Rural Transportation Authority (RTA) (Discussion)

John Adams had a meeting with the Mayor, and he is receptive to looking into one. John will be talking to Commission Hart next Wednesday. The MPO is putting together a scope of work for FY 20-21, this is in the UWP (Unified Work Program). There was some work done on an RTA, but a lot more needs to be done. Don Bruestle asked about the City/County Comprehension Plan, John said there will be an RFP/RFQ to do a total update of the plan. Long Range Transportation Plan will incorporate the RTA if it stays in.

Dave Benbow said that Transportation Director would be interested in an RTA.

9. Update of Pedestrian/Bike Plan (Discussion)

Bart Mikitowicz said that there is an article in the Pulp if anyone wants to read about the development of the plan. He is focusing on the Pueblo County Trails (southeast - Salt Creek/Avondale). He is creating an attraction layer for the County. Aaron Willis asked when he will finish, Bart said that he has a rough draft that will be out for public comment at the end of May. Final adoption would be in October.

10. Items from TAC Members or scheduling of future agenda items (*Roundtable Discussion*)

RTA

Bustang Park'n'Ride

Scope of Work

Truck Parking Workshop – Freight safety/parking

Amenities for Bus Stops

North Front Range Rail Commission

Hwy 50 East expansion

Transit Relocation Study

11. Adjournment

Chairman John Adams adjourned the meeting at 9:41 a.m.