

**Minutes of the
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
October 3, 2013
8:30 a.m.
City Council Chambers, 1 City Hall Place**

1. *Call Meeting to Order*

Chairman: Scott Hobson

Time of Call: 8:40 am

TAC Members Present: Scott Hobson, Jerry Pacheco, Brenda Broyles, Pepper Whittlef, Jeff Woeber, Joan Armstrong, Dan Centa, Wendy Pettit, and Michael Snow.

CAC Members Present: Kristen Castor, Megan Murillo, Eppie Griego, Michael Cuppy, and Don Bruestle.

Others Present: Sarah Snowberger – Secretary to the TAC

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

No introductions or public comments were made.

3. *Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held October 3, 2013*

Motion to Approve: Megan Murillo

Second: Don Bruestle

Unanimous

4. *CDOT Region II TIP/STIP Consent Notifications*

CDOT Region II gave notification of one policy amendment to the PACOG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) in the MPO/TPR area.

Project Name: **I-25 Through Pueblo**

STIP Number: SPB3865

Project Location and Description: I-25 Corridor through Pueblo – An Interstate Access Report is required by FHWA for new or modified access points to the interstate system.

Fiscal Year(s) and Fund Source(s): **2014 FASTER Safety Funds**

Federal Program Funds: \$

State Matching Funds: **\$150,000**

Local Matching Funds: \$

Other Project Funds: \$

TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$150,000

Mr. Scott Hobson and Ms. Wendy Pettit reported that the I-25 EIS does not address all information needed in order to complete the Interstate Access Report required in order to proceed with I-25 changes.

Motion to Approve: Michael Cuppy

Second: Eppie Griego

Unanimous

5. **CDOT Region II TIP/STIP Administrative Notification**

CDOT Region II gave notification of one administrative amendment to the PACOG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) in the MPO/TPR area.

Project Name: **McCulloch Main Trail – Extension to Wal-Mart**

STIP Number: SR25079.043

Project Location and Description: Purchase of right-of-way and construction of trail from the south side of US 50 to the north side of US 50

Fiscal Year(s) and Fund Source(s): **Roll Forward FY 2013 Transportation Enhancement Funds to FY 2014**

Federal Program Funds: **\$91,200**

State Matching Funds: **\$**

Local Matching Funds: **\$22,800**

Other Project Funds: **\$**

TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$114,000

Mr. Hobson reported that the original TIP was approved in December 2012 for FY 2013 and funding needed to roll forward into FY 2014.

6. **MPO Staff Report**

✓ **CDOT Staff Recommendation for RAMP Funding**

Mr. Hobson reported CDOT's recommendations were made to the State TAC in September and Transportation Commission approval will be made in October to secure funding. Pueblo has three qualifying RAMP Projects, I-25 ILEX to 1st street for \$33,200,000; US 50 from Wills to McCullouch and Purcell to Wills for \$11,200,000, and US 50 32nd Lane/Cottonwood Lane for \$1,500,000 for a total of \$45,900,000. Other RAMP Projects are Asset Management Projects that include the I-25/ILEX Interchange project, bridge rehabilitation, resurfacing, and preventative maintenance for a total of \$62,713,142 in Asset Management Projects. If the recommendation is approved Pueblo will receive a total of \$108,613,142 in RAMP Funding.

✓ **CDOT TIGER V Grant Application Update**

Mr. Hobson reported there were no Pueblo Projects selected for TIGER V funding.

✓ **Discuss Statewide Flooding – Expedited TIP Process**

Mr. Hobson reported the MPO was contacted by CDOT requesting administrative approval of an expedited TIP process for areas affected by statewide flooding; PACOG Co-Executive Directors approved the request.

✓ **Amtrak *Southwest Chief* Passenger Service**

Mr. Hobson reported that Amtrak's continued operation of the *Southwest Chief* line in Colorado is in jeopardy due to maintenance costs on the shared Burlington Northern rail lines. A resolution for recommendation must be presented to PACOG to support the passenger rail that runs from Chicago to Los Angeles. Motion was made to support rail service which included support for a modified route to include a stop in Pueblo as an expanded service and local economic driver.

Motion made by: Kristen Castor

Second: Megan Murillo

Unanimous

✓ **Final EIS Review – I-25 Public Hearing Notice**

Mr. Hobson notified the TAC of the I-25 Public Hearing regarding the Final Environmental Impact Study. Mr. Hobson discussed the Notice of Record of

Decision for I-25 EIS, he stated 20 properties will get to vote for a sound wall option along I-25. City staff is in favor of a sound wall and will vote accordingly.

7. *Items from TAC members or scheduling of future agenda items.*

- ✓ The City-County Health Department will be presenting on the Food Systems Assessment Project at the November TAC meeting.
- ✓ Individual meetings regarding the UPWP are being scheduled.

8. *Adjournment*

Chairman Scott Hobson adjourned the meeting at 9:24 a.m.