

Minutes of December 1, 2011 Joint Meeting  
Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC)

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TAC Members present: Scott Hobson, Alf Randall, Rick Morgan, Jeff Woeber, Pepper Whittlef, Wendy Pettit and Lisa Streisfeld.

CAC Members present: Don Bruestle, Charles Davis, Bill Davis, and Eppie Griego.

Others Present: PPRTA – Ron MacDonald, Sato - Scott Ramming, CDOT – Joe Garcia, and Rose Marie Ibanez –Secretary to the TAC.

Scott Hobson called the regular joint meeting of the TAC to order on Thursday, October 6, 2011 at 8:32 a.m. in the Temporary City Council Chambers, 301 West B Street.

- (1) Introductions and Public Comments (non-agenda items only).
- (2) Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of October 6, 2011.

Motion to approve: Bill Davis  
Second: Eppie Griego  
Unanimous

- (3) **Standing Agenda Item: CDOT Region 2 request(s) for amendment(s) to the PACOG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) in the MPO/TPR area. Additional details about the amendments appear in attached CDOT letters and spreadsheets. Presented by Wendy Pettit, Region II Planner.**

**CDOT Region II request(s) for PACOG MPO/TPR TIP amendment(s)FY 2012-2017 Transportation Improvement Program Requires TAC and PACOG Board action to approve/disapprove/modify**

Project Name: **US 50 east of Pueblo: Safety Project Design**

STIP Number: SSE3341(All of the funds were programmed in this STIP number but allocated on lane miles between Pueblo and the SE TPR)

Project Location and Description: Design of Safety Projects on US 50 east of Pueblo

Fiscal Year(s) and Fund Source(s): **FY 2010 Safety Earmark funds CO 038**

Federal Program Funds: **\$ 192,800**

State Matching Funds: **\$ 48,200**

Local Matching Funds: **\$**

Other Project Funds: **\$**

**TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$ 241,000**

These funds need to be moved to the current fiscal year to be added into the design project. They were not encumbered in the project before the expiration of the 2008-2013 STIP and PACOG TIP. They need to be moved in the STIP and the PACOG TIP to fiscal year 2012 for utilization. Please see the attached table for further information.

Motion to approve: Don Bruestle  
Second: Bill Davis  
Unanimous

- (4) **Standing Agenda Item: CDOT Region 2 notification of administrative amendments to the PACOG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) in the MPO/TPR area.**

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Administrative notification of Roll Forward Project Funding or TIP/STIP Policy amendment(s) in the MPO and TPR area(s)

No TAC or Board action required

Project Name: 11<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge  
STIP Number: SR27001.006  
Project Location and Description: **Bridge Pueblo PUE11th-0.2-ADE**  
Fiscal Year(s) and Fund Source(s): **2012 Bridge off system**  
Federal Program Funds: **\$974,800**  
State Matching Funds: **\$**  
Local Matching Funds: **\$243,700**  
Other Project Funds: **\$**  
**TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$1,218,500**

Additional Bridge off system funds and local match to back fill short fall in construction cost.

Wendy Pettit reported this fund amendment is half of the project amount and there will be a request in the future for the rest of the funds. The *environmental assessment* is now being completed. The bridge replacement will be built further up from current bridge. The current bridge is part of the *railroad* and will stay for pedestrian use.

(5) MPO Staff Report – Scott Hobson and Pepper Whittlef

\*Note: Item 2. was moved before item 1. (RTA presentation) with a break between these items.

1. Pepper Whittlef scheduled the development of an RTA for Colorado Springs by Ron MacDonald.

Mr. MacDonald's overview of the Pikes Peak RTA detailed how a coalition of community organizations and the Chambers of Commerce came together in 2004 to promote a *local* solution to state and federal funding shortfalls with the levy of a 1-cent sales tax. Elected officials from City of Colorado Springs, El Paso County, Manitou Springs, Green Falls and Ramah oversee the decision making process for the PPRTA. A 17 member *Citizens Advisory* makes recommendations on contracts over \$25,000. He listed the projects that have been accomplished since 2005. He said they do not use federal and state funds which are restricted to projects on federal and state highways and there is no NEPA required. The only additional staff is part time. The percent shares are: 55% for specific capital projects, 35% for maintenance projects and 10% for metro transit improvements. The voters approved the collection of 1-cent sales tax collection of revenues for duration of ten years. You can visit the web-site at [www.pprta.com](http://www.pprta.com)

2. The draft environmental Impact Statement and Section 4(f) Evaluation for I-25 Improvements thru Pueblo is available on CD at the MPO Office 223 N. Santa Fe Avenue and at the Planning Department 211 E. D Street.

Mr. Hobson passed around the notice on Public Hearing I-25 to be held December 8<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm to 8:30pm. Citizens are invited to provide verbal or written comments at the open house or at the PACOG website has a link to [www.i25Pueblo.com](http://www.i25Pueblo.com).

(6) No Items were presented from TAC members or scheduled as future agenda items.

(7) Adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

**THE US 50 W PEL TAT WILL MEET THIS MONTH AFTER THE TAC ADJOURNS**