

**Minutes of the
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
September 13, 2018
8:30 a.m.**

Community Room of the Municipal Justice Center, 200 South Main Street
Agenda Items Marked with * indicate additional materials included in packet

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman: John Adams

Time of Call: 8:36 a.m.

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

TAC Members Present: Don Bruestle, Wendy Pettit, Pepper Whittlef, Lily Lizarraga, Shawn Winters, Ian Turner

CAC Members Present: Kristen Castor

Others Present: Maureen Paz de Araujo, Julia Spiker

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

Introductions were made for Maureen Paz de Araujo – Wilson & Company, Travel Demand Plan for CDOT.

3. Approval of Minutes of the regular meeting held on August 9, 2018

There was an error in the date, it will be changed to the correct date.

Motion to Approve: Pepper Whittlef

Second: Ian Turner

Unanimous

4. TIP/STIP Administration Modifications Agenda Item(s)*

CDOT Region 2 requests for PACOG MPO/TPR TIP amendment(s)

Motion to Approve: Kristen Castor

Second: Don Bruestle

Project Name: **- US 50 Purcell Interchange and Westbound Widening from MP 309.0 to 312.0 c McCulloch to Wills**

STIP Number: SPB3726

Project Location and Description: **US 50 McCulloch to Wills Blvd**

Federal Program Funds: \$

State SB1 Funds: \$ **1,600,000**

Local Matching Funds: \$

Other Project Funds: \$

TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$1,600,000

The current design project on US 50 is approximately 4.0 miles of a roadway starting west of the intersection of Purcell Blvd and will end west of the intersection of Pueblo Blvd. The design of this project will provide plans to widen the roadway to three lanes in the west bound direction and provide a grade separated intersection at Purcell. These funds are being added to a newly created design project for a new phase of US 50 west bound.

Project Name: **- Pueblo Bustang Park and Ride**

STIP Number: to be determined

Project Location and Description: **Design Project**

Federal Program Funds: \$
State SB228 Funds: \$ **500,000**
Local Matching Funds: \$
Other Project Funds: \$

TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$500,000

The Division of Transit and Rail has allocated with the approval of the Transportation Commission SB228 funding to begin a project to design and purchase right-of-way for the Bustang park and ride project.

This project will be on the northside of Pueblo. Pepper Whittlef asked when CDOT would present the request to operate the parking lot to the City. Wendy Pettit does not know. Pepper thinks that we should give them direction before starting the design phase. Kristen Castor had a concern about the publicity in Pueblo, people do not know about Bustang. Bart Mikitowicz said that he will follow up with what happened. Don Bruestle said he would like to see a visual of the current routes.

Project Name: Senior Resource Development Agency (SRDA) **Operating**

Funding Source: FTA 5311

Project Location and Description: Operating assistance for Transportation Services for seniors County wide.

Federal Program Funds: \$ 58,419
State Matching Funds: \$ -0-
Local Matching Funds: \$ 58,419
Other Project Funds: \$ -0-
TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$116,838

Adjusted amounts to award amounts

Project Name: Senior Resource Development Agency (SRDA) **Administration**

Funding Source: FTA 5311

Project Location and Description: Administration Expense

Federal Program Funds: \$ 18,861
State Matching Funds: \$ -0-
Local Matching Funds: \$ 4,715
Other Project Funds: \$ -0-
TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$23,576

Adjusted amounts to award amounts

Project Name: Senior Resource Development Agency (SRDA) **Operating**

Funding Source: FTA 5310

Project Location and Description: Operating assistance for Transportation Services for seniors and handicapped persons County wide.

Federal Program Funds: \$ 82,000
State Matching Funds: \$ -0-
Local Matching Funds: \$ 82,000
Other Project Funds: \$ -0-
TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$164,000

Adjusted amounts to award amounts.

5. **2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment***
City of Pueblo request for PACOG MPO/TPR TIP amendment
Motion to Approve: Don Bruestle
Second: Kristen Castor

Project Name: **Mel Harmon Drive Bridge Rehabilitation**

STIP Number: TBA

Project Location and Description: **Mel Harmon Drive Bridge Rehabilitation**

Fund Source(s):

Federal Program Funds Bridge Off-System: **\$ 418,701**

State Program Funds: **\$ -0-**

Local Matching Funds: **\$ 104,675**

TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$ 523,376

There was no comments from the public. Kristen Castor asked how much the bridge has been used. Pepper Whittlef said that it provides second access to the frontage road and for fire safety.

6. *Ballot Issues 110 "Let's Go Colorado" and 109 "Fix Our Damn Roads" **
(Informational and Discussion)

Ballot Issue 153 is now Ballot 110 and Ballot 167 is now Ballot 109.

In the packet, there is a one-page breakdown of the difference of the two. There will be a great impact from both ballots. Ballot 110 would increase the sales tax to .62 cents. This ballot would help a lot with I-25. Ballot 109 is just rearranging the funds around for the Pueblo West and adding additional funds to Hwy 50 E to the Kansas Line. The Denver Post posted an article regarding these ballots. Kristen Castor asked if it will pass. John Adams said it is up to the voters. Wendy Pettit said that there was a 57% favor for Ballot 110. Ballot 110 gives 70% to the State, 20% to the City/County, and 15% to the Multimodal. This will bring \$767m total. John did explain that Denver/Boulder would support Ballot 110 but will not support statewide if it does not pass.

7. *Statewide Travel Demand Management – Maureen Paz de Araujo*
(Informational and Discussion)

Maureen handed out a packet for Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the CO Transportation Demand Management (TDM). Phase 1 consist of meeting with staff and updating inventory. Phase 2 is focused on strategies and property in CDOT'S investment.

- *Reduce a person's contribution to traffic congestion – reduce travel cost, save energy, and reduced air pollution emissions*
 - *Sharing, combining, or eliminating trips*
 - *Changing routes*
 - *Changing the mode of travel*
 - *Changing the time a trip is made*
 - ◆ *More transportation options vs building additional infrastructure*
- *Phase 1*
 - *Causes of Delay & Congestion*
 - ◆ *Estimated Annual Delay due to Congestions (Aggregated by MPO, 2014) (Millions of hours per year) PACOG – 2*
 - ◆ *Estimated Annual Cost of Delay due to Congestions, Aggregated by MPO, 2014 (\$ millions per year) PACOG - \$38*
 - *Inventory TDM Programs in the State*
 - ◆ *TDM Core Strategies*
 - *Transit, Intercity Transit, Vanpools, Carpools, Walking, Bicycling, Variable Work Hours, Telecommuting, Park-and-Ride Lots*
 - ◆ *TDM Support Strategies*
 - *Ride Share Matching, Guaranteed Ride Home, Parking Management, Incentives, Marketing and Education, Market Base Strategies, Intelligent Transportation System, TDM Friendly Design Consideration*

- ◆ *TDM for Specific Travel Markets*
 - *School and Universities, Special Events, Recreation and Tourism Destinations, Transportation Corridors and Construction Mitigation, Employer based Commute Programs, Airports, Incidents and Emergencies/Courtesy Patrol/Heavy Freight Transportation*
- ◆ *GoDenver App*
- *Determine the Participation in TDM Programs*
 - ◆ *Park-and-Ride Facility*
- *Estimate the Cost to Implement TDM Programs*
- *Estimate Reduce VMT (Vehicle Miles Traveled) Reduction & Reduce Vehicle Emissions for Programs*
 - ◆ *Walk, Bike, HOV2, HOV3, Bus, Telework, Vanpool*
- *Evaluate the Return on investment for Best Value Strategies*
- *Phase 2*
 - *Develop Geospatial Database/Analysis Tool*
 - *Identify high congestion areas that could benefit from TDM*
 - *Identify gaps in TDM programs and services*
 - *Match TDM strategies*
 - *Identify modal plan*
 - *High benefit cost ratio*
 - *Create a prioritization list*
 - *Meet and obtain feedback from internal/external stakeholders*
 - *Finalize Phase 2 Statewide TDM Plan*
 - *Use Statewide TDM Plan as background information for preparation of the 2045 Statewide Transportation Plan*

Bart Mikitowicz asked which Multimodal Data is being used for TDM, Maureen said that there is a lot of data from the Statewide Survey. Wendy Pettit said that everything has been combined and will eventually be updated. Kristen Castor had a concern about the interface to get people to Pueblo and around Pueblo. This is just an introductory program, for further questions, contact Lisa Streisfeld.

8. CDOT Region 2 Updates

(Informational and Discussion)

Wendy Pettit said that when you come in for our next TAC meeting, you will need to head to the back of the building.

9. Smart Mobility Plan

(Informational and Discussion)

Lily Lizarraga had a handout for the Smart Mobility Plan that will be included in the TDM. There will be a few workshops in the future and probably will be in Pueblo. Kristen Castor asked if the driverless cars and high-profile accidents will cause a delay for availability. Lily said that this is a different system called RoadX. Bart Mikitowicz asked if we would see immediate decrease of vehicular death if we would decrease speeds from 35 to 25. Wendy Pettit said that people will speed regardless of signs, but if we do have automatous cars, then the cars would slow down when pedestrians around and other variables.

10. Safe-Routes-To-School (SRTS) Announcement*

(Informational and Discussion)

Bart Mikitowicz said that he has full packets if anyone wants to email him. In the handout, there

are a few maps on what we can improve and apply for. Deadline is November 1st and the application is done online. It is \$400k per project but can be broken up within the 2 years. There is an 80% local match and can't use the money for ROW acquisition. John Adams asked about utility relocation. Bart will find out. The grant is only for Elementary to Middle School. There would be a 1-mile radius, anywhere in the City would qualify. Pepper Whittlef asked if it requires an education component, Bart said that he doesn't know and will let her know. Kristen Castor suggested talking to Dennis Maes.

**11. West Pueblo Connector
(Update and Discussion)**

John Adams said that it was decided last month that the project will be funded a little bit more on the project and is waiting on them to finish the documents to send out to public comments. Bart Mikitowicz asked if it will be an on or off system, Wendy said it would be off system.

12. Items from TAC Members or scheduling of future agenda items

Bustang – routes (with stops) & publicity

Public Transportation for Students accessing Libraries and other Schools/Jobs

13. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

October 11, 2018 Meeting Location – CDOT Region 2 Big Sandy Conference Room

Map will be supplied with October Packet

14. Adjournment

Chairman John Adams adjourned the meeting at 10:13 a.m.