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Minutes of the
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
July 14, 2020
9:00 a.m.

The meeting will be on **Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. online at**
<https://pueblo.zoom.us/j/96488066522?pwd=NHVqN3FISk1TZUloc1EyK0Q0U2RaUT09>
Meeting Number 964 8806 6522 Password 355222

There are no accommodations for those wishing to attend in Person Due to COVID-19

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

Individuals Requiring Special Accommodations Should Notify the City MPO's Office (719) 553-2242 by Noon on the Friday Preceding the Meeting.

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman: John Adams

Time of Call: 9:02 a.m.

MPO Members Present: John Adams, Hannah Haurert, Eva Cosyleon

TAC Members Present: Wendy Pettit, Ben Valdez, Aaron Willis, Shawn Winters, Dan Centa

CAC Members Present: Heather Norton, Kevin Sparks, Joe Garcia, Cheryl Spinuzzi

Others Present: Lachelle Davis, Melanie Turner, Joy Morauski, Ron Go-Aco, Eric Richardson, Glenn Krause, D.Berhart, Shelly Dunham, Ron Allan, Geoff Guthrie, Bart Mikitowicz, Molly Bly

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

Introductions were made for Mary Lupa (Wilson and Company Consultant), Mike Cuppy (North Star), Maureen Paz De Araujo (Wilson and Company Consultant).

3. June 9, 2020 Minutes*

Motion to Approve: Ben Valdez

Second: Cheryl Spinuzzi

Unanimous:

4. Administrative Modifications/TIP Amendment to the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program to include the following projects (2020 to 2021 Roll Forward Projects)*

Action Requested: Informational

John Adams said that these projects will roll forward into 2021.

5. Featured Mode of Transportation:

Pueblo Transit – Benjamin Valdez, Director of Pueblo Transit

Action Requested: Informational

Ben Valdez said that Pueblo Transit is operating at about 45%-50% capacity with entrance to the bus from the rear (limited amount of people), no fares, and a mask is required. There are currently 11 out of the 12 buses running. MV Transit is down about 60%-65% and helps with the back log of Transit. There is going to be a lot of detours once the overlay projects start.

6. Statewide 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update – Aaron Willis (CDOT HQ)

Action Requested: Informational

Aaron Willis said the comment period is 60 day (over 50% complete) public review and comment period. There has been about 35 public comments (Transit related). July 30, 2020 is the last day and then go to STAC (State Transportation Advisory Committee) then to Transportation Commission in August. There will be additional stakeholder presentation outreach. Cheryl Spinuzzi asked how this will link to public transportation to maneuver the City (basically 1st/last mile). The Statewide Transit Plan is under the LRTP. John Adams said we are working on a local Transportation Plan. Cheryl asked if it would be a railroad car, Aaron said that they are not sure and working on it.

7. Local CDOT Projects Lachelle Davis, R2 Local Agency Program Manager

Action Requested: Informational

Lachelle Davis mentioned that there are 19 active projects:

16810 City Center and Santa Fe Streetscape – Funds added and in process.

19287 – Pueblo Wayfinding signs – project just award

20192 – Arkansas Trail Upgrade Phase 4 – added more funding

21312 – Boone Bridge replacement – going to construction

21358/21380 – North and South Creek Rd Project - complete

21360 – Overton Rd (flood recover)- complete

21983 – River Trail Study – in design

21984 – Pueblo West TAP Trail #2 - complete

21985 – Pueblo River Levee Trail Extension Study – finished design and ready for construction

21130? – Pueblo West TAP 3 Project – Purcell & Hwy 50W underpass - in design

23555 - Capistrano Turn Lane @ Spaulding – in construction

Spaulding roundabout – to construction

22356 – Plateville Blvd Turn lane pushed to 2021 (ready to go)

22616 – Mel Harmon Bridge Rehab – in design

22971 – Northern Ave Phase 3 – design phase shortly

23654 – Pueblo West Joe Martinez Trail Phase 2 – just awarded

Prairie Ave Improvement – MMO funds – just awarded

Prairie Ave Trail – MMO funds – just awarded



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Dan Centa asked the consultant for the roundabout – Beltramo and came out at \$518k and the turn lane on Capistrano - Aubrey Asphalt and was over on project (35% over on probable cost). The roundabout is at Capistrano and Spaulding.

Eva Cosyleon asked about the location of River Trail extension Study location, Lachelle did not know (found out later this is the Levee Project)

8. CDOT NEW Funding Opportunities – Aaron Willis, CDOT HQ

Molly Bly said the first new funding is Revitalizing Main Streets (multimodal) – over \$4m – grants up to \$50k – from Senate Bill 1. Molly suggested just doing one application and maybe later down the road to do a second application. There is a minimum 10% match – cash or in-kind (design can count from State or Local). Projects prior with CDOT cannot be reimbursed. Funded Projects must be able to start within 30 days of an executed contract. Melanie Turned asked about what they consider a Main Street and ADA curb ramps, Molly said that anything downtown and that you can still apply but none have been approved. The second grant is Community Telework Challenge. This grant is up to \$5k and ends December 1st. This is to help with TDM strategies and might consider hardware (traffic counters). The third grant does not apply to Region 2 and called Safer Main Streets. Ron Go-Aco asked if there can be two separate applications from City and County, Molly said that working together would benefit both. Melanie Turner wanted to know when it would be awarded, Molly said the committee reviews every Tuesday, it should be within a week.

Melanie Turner asked later in the meeting if the projects would go to the MPO and John Adams said it would go to CDOT.

Questions can be sent to dot_candocdot@state.co.us and the website is <https://www.codot.gov/programs/community-challenge>.

9. CDOT Region 2 and HQ Updates - Wendy Pettit and Aaron Willis

Action Requested: Informational

Wendy Pettit said that Sale and Gas tax has taken a hit during COVID, she said that CDOT will not have allocation of 267 funding, this includes I-25 from 13th St and 29th St. There will probably be money in about 18 months. She said that Hwy 50 W and Purcell is still moving forward.

10. Highway and Federal Transit Updates (If Needed)

Action Requested: Informational

There were no discussions.

11. Next TAC – August 11, 2020 Location – TBD -- Virtual ?

Action Requested: Informational

John Adams said that we will keep doing virtual until social distance is more lax.

**12. Items from TAC Members or scheduling of future Agenda Items
(Roundtable Discussion)**

I-25 & Hwy 50B

13. Adjournment

Chairman John Adams adjourned the meeting at 10:17 a.m.