

**MEETING MINUTES of the
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
North Front Range Transportation and Air Quality Planning Council
Windsor Public Works Service Facility - Conference Room
922 N. 15th Street
Windsor, CO
August 21, 2019
1:03 – 2:51 p.m.**

TAC MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dave Klockeman, Chair – Loveland
Mitch Nelson, Vice Chair – Severance
Dawn Anderson – Weld County
Allison Baxter – Greeley
Amanda Brimmer – RAQC
Stephanie Brothers – Berthoud
Aaron Bustow – FHWA
Eric Fuhrman – Timnath
Omar Herrera – Windsor
Tim Kemp – Fort Collins
Randy Ready – Evans
Karen Schneiders – CDOT
Eric Tracy – Larimer County

NFRMPO STAFF:

Medora Bornhoft
AnnaRose Cunningham
Alex Gordon
Becky Karasko
Suzette Mallette

TAC MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jeff Schreier – Eaton
Rick Coffin – CDPHE-APCD
Kim Meyer – Johnstown
Pepper McClenahan – Milliken
Ranae Tunison – FTA
Town of LaSalle

IN ATTENDANCE:

Darren Davis – GET
Jan Rowe – CDOT
Brad Buckman – Fort Collins
Matt Becker – CDOT
Bruce Coltharp – Navjoy
Candice Folkers – COLT
Tamara Keefe – FHU
Katrina Kloberdanz – CDOT
Scott Logan – Greeley
Annabelle Phillips – Transfort
Michael Snow – CDOT
Matt Ruder – Loveland
Katie Guthrie – Loveland

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Klockeman called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF THE JULY 17, 2019 TAC MINUTES

Kemp moved to approve the July 17, 2019 TAC minutes. Nelson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Readoption of FY2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – Anderson moved to recommend Planning Council readopt the FY2020-2023 TIP. Baxter seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ACTION ITEM

2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) – Karasko stated the 2045 RTP was presented to Planning Council at their August 1 meeting and noted the feedback received. Klockeman commented there were still questions about the 2010 Land Use Allocation Model and stated it would be beneficial to have a follow up session to answer questions and refine the model. Nelson moved to recommend Planning Council adopt the 2045 RTP. Kemp seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

PRESENTATION

CDOT Video Sharing Alliance Project – Matt Becker, CDOT, and Bruce Coltharp, Navjoy, introduced the CDOT Video Sharing Alliance Project, a project to improve streaming traffic camera video sharing as CDOT prepares to sign a new contract for video sharing platforms. CDOT has faced challenges sharing video with entities requesting the data. In response CDOT is engaging the MPOs and Transportation Planning Regions (TPRs) to understand the needs of local stakeholders. CDOT will host various Stakeholder Workshops throughout the state, starting in September, for traffic engineers, IT staff, and transit agencies to provide information and allow all the agencies which are interested to participate in the project.

Klockeman noted there is a group of engineers that currently meet in the region and asked Kloberdanz to provide that contact information to Karasko to involve those individuals in the workshops. Klockeman asked whether being part of this program is voluntary and if there would be specifications for types of cameras cities would need to use in order to participate. Coltharp answered using the platform is voluntary but there may be specifications on cameras to interface with the platform and share the video. Mallette asked for clarification of what types of data requests CDOT receives. Becker noted any requests are for streaming, real-time video for news media, construction companies, or private businesses. Coltharp stated many more agencies may want the streaming video, but they are currently limited due to having to be physically connected via fiber to connect to CDOT's system. Karasko noted there are many people who are interested in this workshop and the NFRMPO's conference room would not be large enough to host the workshop. CDOT volunteered if they had the availability.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Call for Projects Planning Council Work Session Follow-Up – Karasko summarized the Call for Projects Work Session held during the August 1 Planning Council meeting, noting the two themes from the discussion: whether funding was being allocated equitably among communities, specifically large and small, and whether the selected projects addressed regional priorities. TAC members discussed opportunities for improving the Call for Projects process. The group discussed how the Call for Projects could focus more on regional projects and how it could better address the needs of small communities. Klockeman asked what the needs of the small communities are that need to be met. Anderson noted the need for all the small communities, including ones who are not at the current meeting, to be part of the discussion to answer this question. Fuhrman noted the maximum request limit for Timnath is too low to make federalizing a project worthwhile. Klockeman suggested awarding additional points to projects with regional traffic impacts. Mallette commented on the

possibility of collaborating to decide what regional projects need to be addressed as well as small communities combining projects to be able to use federal funds.

Multimodal Options Fund – Karasko stated \$5.59M is available from the Multimodal Options Fund (MMOF) for the NFRMPO region. Michael Snow, CDOT, discussed the intent of the funds, project requirements, eligible project types, and match relief opportunities. The state funds have been budgeted for FY2019-2020, and there is no deadline for using the funds. Snow specified the funds are eligible to be used for both capital and operating expenses and may be spread out over several years if that is how the awardee decides to use the funds. Phillips asked for clarification on how CDOT will oversee the funds, if it will be similar to how FASTER funds or other state funding are overseen. Snow and Schneiders stated all fiscal rules will still apply unless they are combined with federal funds in which case federal rules will trump the state rules. The group discussed the options for how the funds could be distributed throughout the region and over different travel modes. Baxter pointed out the Non-Motorized Plan has a list of projects that should be taken into consideration. Mallette commented the One Call/One Click project the Larimer County Mobility Committee has been working on would also be an option to use the funds. Discussion will continue at the October 16, 2019 TAC meeting.

OUTSIDE PARTNERS REPORTS (verbal)

NoCo Bike & Ped Collaborative – Written report was provided.

Regional Air Quality Council – Brimmer reported the Air Quality Control Commission (AQCC) passed the Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) rule the previous week with an 8-1 vote. The rule will go into effect in 2023.

EPA published the proposal to reclassify the Denver Metro-North Front Range 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area from Moderate to Serious for the 2008 Ozone Standard. The State Implementation Plan (SIP) is due August 2020 and is anticipated to be submitted about six months late. The new motor vehicle emissions budgets for 2020 are anticipated to be set by the state in fall 2020. Current ozone values are still exceeding the 2008 standard for the three-year average.

As part of Senate Bill 181, the Air Pollution Control Division (APCD) is making revisions to Regulations 3 and 7, which focus on reducing emissions and additional reporting requirements for the oil and gas industry. The RAQC executive order should be signed on August 21 by the governor with appointments happening soon after. Brimmer will be presenting at the September 5, 2019 Planning Council meeting on what the Serious designation means for the region.

Regional Transit Agencies – Schneiders reported Bustang is providing service from Fort Collins to Broncos games, adding the Snowstang for trips to ski areas, and an eight-week pilot project from Denver to Estes Park. Gordon noted another North Line trip has been added Monday through Friday, leaving Fort Collins 7:00 a.m. and returning at 3:45 p.m.

Davis reported GET is continuing to work on fare reciprocity with Loveland and Fort Collins. Additionally, they have received six new buses, which will help with training for the Poudre Express.

Phillips reported in addition to the fare reciprocity, Transfort is also working on a Shared Resources agreement with COLT and GET. The City of Fort Collins is moving forward with the ADA bus stop upgrade project.

Folkers reported COLT started their youth ride free program on July 1, added one hour of service in the evenings which provides additional connections to FLEX, and extended peak service in the morning helping commuters get to school and work. Ridership in July was up 23 percent over the previous year.

Senior Transportation Items – Gordon reported the grant was extended through the end of October, meaning the rides will end at the end of August. As of the end of July, about 250 rides had been provided. Gordon estimates approximately 400 rides will be provided by the end of the program. The Senior Transportation Coalition is planning a Bustang Travel Training in Spanish in partnership with La Familia in Fort Collins.

REPORTS

Bike/Ped Counters Updates – Written report was provided.

ROUNDTABLE

Gordon reported he will be updating the NFRMPO's inventory of ADA Transition Plans and asked for TAC members to provide updated information.

Herrera reported the Town of Windsor completed a new roundabout at 7th Street and is in the process of building a second one at WCR 13 and Liberty Street.

Anderson reported Weld County is working on its first zoning map as part of the most recent Comprehensive Plan update and added a transportation model update. These two tasks will be completed by a consultant and the Transportation Plan update will be completed in-house.

Kemp reported he has resigned from the City of Fort Collins and Brad Buckman will now be serving as the new TAC representative for the City.

Snow added to the discussion of the MMOF that transit projects have a minimum of \$25,000 and that horizontal construction is a minimum of \$150,000.

Schneiders reported Heather Paddock is the new Regional Transportation Director (RTD) for Region 4, Kathleen Bracke is the new Transportation Commissioner for Larimer, Weld, and Morgan counties, and Katrina Klobberdanz is the new Region 4 Traffic Engineer.

Karasko noted the TAC meeting for September will be cancelled and the next meeting will be back in the Windsor Recreation Center on October 16.

Brothers reported the Berthoud Parkway project will go to bid in the fall.

Ready reported Evans is wrapping up the 35th Avenue widening project and the 31st Street Access Control project will finish in September.

MEETING WRAP-UP

Final Public Comment – There was no final public comment.

Next Month's Agenda Topic Suggestions – Karasko stated the agenda will include further discussion on the MMOF.

Meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by: AnnaRose Cunningham, NFRMPO Staff

The next meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 16th, 2019 at the Windsor Recreation Center, Pine Room.