

Minutes of February 4, 2010 Joint Meeting  
Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC)

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TAC Members present: Todd Ahlenius, Alf Randall, Jeff Woeber, Pepper Whittlef, Brenda Broyles, Larry Howe-Kerr, and CDOT– Wendy Pettit and Irene Merrifield.

CAC Members present: Chuck Pelto, Brian Lucas, Eppie Griego, Laurie Clark, Rob Leverington, Bill Davis and Debbie Rose.

Others present: Dee Rogers Brown and Rose Marie Ibanez–UTPD support/minutes.

Mr. Moore called the regular joint meeting of the TAC to order on Thursday, February 4, 2010 at 8:40am in the Pueblo City Council Chambers.

- (1) Introductions
- (2) Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of Dec 3, 2009. Presented by Rose Marie Ibanez, Secretary to the TAC.

Motion to approve: Ms. Rose  
Second: Mr. Griego  
Unanimous

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

Project Name: **I 25 Surface Treatment South end of Pueblo**

STIP Number: **SR25216.054**

Project Location and Description: **Resurfacing on I 25 from Mile post 90 (S or Stem Beach) to 100.2 (near US 50B interchange)**

Fiscal Year(s) and Fund Source(s): **2010 Surface treatment pool**

Federal Program Funds: **\$ 5,920,000**

State Matching Funds: **\$ 1,480,000**

Local Matching Funds: **\$**

Other Project Funds: **\$**

**TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$ 7,400,000**

Ms. Pettit reported that pothole repairs were made on I-25 (Pueblo) after the large October large snowstorm but with additional snows and refreezing of the road's under layer has created the need for this resurfacing treatment.

Motion to approve: Ms Rose  
Second: Mr. Pelto  
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. No TAC or Board action required, but additional details appear in**

**attached letters and spreadsheets. No Administrative Notifications for the February meeting.**

**(5) Presentation: Update on the progress, status, and reports related to the Fort Carson Military Impact and Regional Plans. Presented by Kate Hatten, Program Manager, Military Impact Planning, PPACG**

The Growth Plan Phase 2 outline covered: Project Timeframe, Key Issue Areas, Project Status, Data Sources, Modeling, Preliminary Findings, cont'd, Fort Carson Gate Locations. Next Steps are a January-March – partnership group for the CDMC review of draft reports, analysis and recommendations. In late March-April – community forums to review Phase 2 analysis and recommendations in three-county region. There will be ongoing implementation of key recommendations/action items. Continued work to obtain resources to meet growth needs and continued updates as conditions change. Continuing public participation/outreach is on the updated PPACG website, partnership groups, Growth Plan newsletter, and community forums. Questions? [khatten@ppacg.org](mailto:khatten@ppacg.org) or her number, 719-471-7080 x131. Visit the website at <http://www.ppacg.org> – click on Military Impact Planning

TAC comments were made that it seems like Fort Carson's growth would have little impact in Pueblo County as EL Paso County, because the military surveyed prefers to live near the base.

**(6) Update and discussion of potential Region 2 projects for specific funding programs (State FASTER Bridge Enterprise, FASTER Safety, ARRA II, Surface Treatment, and Regional Priorities/Transportation Commission Contingency Funds. The latest Region 2 DRAFT is attached. No action requested information only presented by Bill Moore, MPO Administrator**

FASTER Bridge Enterprise: is tied to the increased vehicle fees going to bridges such as the Ilex Bridge that is already programmed for improvement.

Main Street: Tim Harris CDOT, Regional Transportation Director drew attention to the spreadsheet (Draft Region 2 actual and potential program) at last Thursday's meeting. Mr. Moore said that there is more information on the PACOG website link.

**(7) Update and discussion of final adjustments to the FFY 2009 UPWP budget, the FFY 2010 UPWP budget, I-25 EIS, US 50 West Planning-Environmental Linkage Study, Dillon-Eden Interchange, federal legislation, state legislation, RMRA feasibility study and other ongoing projects, programs or policy formulations. No Action requested information only Presented by Bill Moore, MPO Administrator**

Mr. Moore reported that the FFY 2009 UPWP Budget had used the ending balance \$86,000 in January 2010 and is in good position to go on to the 2035 update using FFY2010 funds.

I-25 EIS has been going on for 10 years and is on track for a *record of decision* in 2013. On the US 50 PEL Study: The modeling is almost complete except for the final development of new Pueblo West TAZ data.

Dillon/Eden Interchange is on track: DOT missed the first TIGER Grant Funding deadline in January, but still has the February 15<sup>th</sup> deadline that is more in our favor because it gives the project engineers an extra month to have their plans ready.

RMRA: CDOT has paid RMRA. RMRA is up to date with the study contractors but approval of the study is still on hold because of scheduling problems from the delay. The next meeting is tomorrow and the new schedule will be approved.

**(8) Open discussion and scheduling of future agenda items.**

Front Range Travel Survey is gathering data from 12,000 households across the front range including 1,000 in the PACOG area that will be used to estimate how much travel is generated along the Front Range.

Mr. Ahlenius passed out a calendar bookmarker that promotes walk/bike events by Pueblo Active Environments that has requested to come to the next TAC meeting to discuss those events. Also the Bicycle Map is in the final version and ready to be sent to print in the near future with funding from LiveWell Colorado, and CDOT. The map will be an action items presented at the next TAC meeting so that it can be included in the amendment of the 2035 Plan. Mr. Howe-Kerr reported that the presentation of a biking video by PACE in Pueblo West last night was outstanding. He also told Mr. Moore that he would send him the final draft of the Pueblo West RTA legislation.

A request for a presentation to address the transportation impacts of `de Brucing at the next March meeting or in April by the CDOT Policy Office (probably Mickey Ferrell).

**(9)** Adjourned at 10:15am.