

Minutes of October 4, 2007 Joint Meeting
Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC)

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TAC Members present: Todd Ahlenius, Don Vest, Alf Randall, Scott Gorman, Tim Frank, Brenda Broyles, Scott Hobson and CDOT–Wendy Pettit.

CAC Members present: Chuck Pelto, Laurie Clark, Brian Lucas and Bill Davis.

Others present: CDOT–Irene Merrifield and Rose Marie Ibanez–UTPD support/minutes.

Mr. Ahlenius called the regular joint meeting of the TAC to order on Thursday, October 4, 2007 at 8:36am in the Pueblo City Council Chambers.

(1) Approval of the minutes of the September 6, 2007 TAC meeting.

Motion to approve: Mr. Davis
Second: Mr. Pelto
Unanimous

(2) CDOT Region 2 requests a policy amendment to the PACOG MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) in Pueblo County. This amendment entails the reallocation of the SB 1 funding the US 50 / SH 47 Interchange (Details can be found in the attached support material). Ms. Pettit said this policy amendment would roll forward \$686,000 that was held for repair to correct the pipe deficiencies found at the final inspection by the City of Pueblo.

Motion to approve: Mr. Davis
Second: Mr. Pelto
Unanimous

(3) Distribution and discussion of the 2006 Pueblo area traffic crash information (UPWP task2.3). Mr. Ahlenius distributed the updated traffic crash information from the city and reported that he does not have the State Patrol data. This information, along with the road surface conditions from CDOT, is all part of the Roadway Section.

(4) Additional Chapters and supplemental information for the 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan: Right-of-Way Corridor Preservation Plan, Public Participation Consistency with State and Federal Planning Requirements, Regional Vision and Transportation Issues. Mr. Ahlenius presented draft copies and requested any feedback to be returned by the November TAC Agenda deadline. In discussion: Mr. Ahlenius said that the Roadway Plan has set a placeholder for the Overton Road corridor and an I-25 parallel facility that would accommodate the expected growth in the proposed Pueblo/Springs Ranch annexation. Mr. Hobson reported that the City of Pueblo is amending their statutory requirements in Pueblo's Comprehensive Plan (2002) and is scheduled for presentation in October to the Planning and Zoning Commission; then to City Council to be adopted as designed in the city charter. He said the amendments in the Comp Plan would be shown in the new three-mile annexation plan to be adopted by City Council by the end of the year (with the recommendation by Planning and Zoning Commission). Pueblo County is moving forward with a parallel that is approved by the Pueblo County Planning Commission. Mr. Ahlenius said that PACOG adopted the Pueblo Comprehensive Plan (2002) depicting Future Land Uses. He said this has been a learning experience that presently both the City of Pueblo and Pueblo County are looking at substantial modifications due to the proposed changes in the addition of the North Pueblo Special Development Study Area encompassing the area from the City of Pueblo North to El Paso County, East of I-25 and West of State Land Board property. Mr. Hobson reported that the city has not yet received a petition for annexation of any development within this special development area, but expects that a filing by the end of the year. Ms. Clark made a formal request that any new annexation information coming in on proposed annexation be apprised to the committee. Mr. Ahlenius outlined the schedule for the final LRTP 2035 Plan: Release the draft at the November TAC meeting, followed by a 30-day public review (series of November quadrant meetings); and the final submitted to the PACOG board for approval at the mid-December meeting.

(5) Updates on the State Transportation Finance Panel, Rocky Mountain Rail Authority, and SAFETEA-LU reauthorization committee. Presented by Bill Moore as information only (Re-scheduled due to Mr. Moore's meeting conflict with Financial Advisory Committee).

(6) Open discussion, items from committee members, and future agenda items. Mr. Randall reported that the 1st phase of the Defense Access Road project is underway from Paul Harvey to H47 (rough in for new William White Blvd), and the 2nd phase will begin next week east of the Target Distribution Center (United Ave). He said he would send Mr. Ahlenius a PDF of the Lime Road project relocation to Stem Beach that is also underway. The cement plant is scheduled to open by the end of the year contingent on completing Lime Road. He reported that the Avondale Enhancement project was completed yesterday and ready for the Avondale Parade this weekend. Mr. Hobson reported that the enhancement projects were approved: Santa Fe at the Cambria Suites and Hector Garcia, and holding the 1st Street interchange to I-25. Ms. Pettit asked that the Santa Fe streetscape be reviewed eliminating pedestrian bumps in the next phase, and Mr. Hobson he would confer with Bill Zwick.

(7) Adjourned at 9:23am