

**Meeting Minutes of the
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION (TAC)
December 2, 2021
9:00 a.m.**

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AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman: John Adams

Time of Call: 9:09 a.m.

MPO Members Present: Hannah Haunert, Eva Cosyleon

TAC Members Present: Wendy Pettit, Aaron Willis, Melanie Turner, Greg Pedroza, Ben Valdez, Scott Hodson

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

Others Present: Lachelle Davis, Don Bruestle, Joy Morauski, Andrew Hayes, Geoff Guthrie, Tanis Manseau, Ajin Hu, Shawn Winters, Andrew Hayes, Jelena Karapetrovic, Julie George, Theresa Takushi

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

Julie George is the Local Government Liaison, and Theresa Takushi is the Greenhouse Gas Climate Action Specialist.

3. Approval of Minutes*

November 9, 2021 Minutes

Motion to Approve: Cheryl Spinuzzi

Second: Scott Hobson

Unanimous:

This will need to be approved again because the date was for October 9, 2021 Meeting.

4. TIP Amendments for I-25 at Exit 108*

CDOT Region II request(s) for PACOG MPO/TPR TIP amendment(s)

FY 2022-2023 Transportation Improvement Program

TIP/STIP Policy amendment(s) in the MPO and TPR area(s) - TAC or Board action required.

Project Name: US 50 from I-25 at MP 108

STIP Number: SR2516.156

Project Location and Description: Comprehensive look at the issues in the interchange and design and construct improvements

Federal Program Funds: **\$372,555**

State Matching Funds: **\$ 77,445**

Local Matching Funds: **\$**

TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$450,000

Due to increased traffic in the I-25 MP 108 area a comprehensive look is needed to give CDOT and Pueblo direction on the improvements needed at the interchange. CDOT region 2 is asking to add \$450,000 of RPP funds to program to begin this process in FY 2022.

Motion to Approve: Don Bruestle

Second: Cheryl Spinuzzi

Unanimous:

5. FY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program

Administrative notification of Roll Forward Project Funding or TIP/STIP Policy amendment(s) in the MPO and TPR area(s) –no TAC or Board action required.

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

Administrative Action:

Project Name: **Signal Project Pueblo Blvd and St Clair***

STIP Number: SR27002.073

Project Location and Description: **Replacement of damaged Signal poles**

Fund Source(s): **FY 2022 FASTER funding**

Federal Program Funds: **\$**

State Matching Funds: **\$84,000**

Local Matching Funds: **\$**

Other Project Funds: **\$**

TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$ 84,000

Project Name: **Signal Project Pueblo Blvd and St Clair***

STIP Number: SR27002.073

Project Location and Description: **Replacement of damaged Signal poles**

Fund Source(s): **FY 2023 FASTER funding**

Federal Program Funds: **\$**

State Matching Funds: **\$116,000**

Local Matching Funds: **\$**

Other Project Funds: **\$**

TOTAL PROJECT FUND AMENDMENT: \$ 116,000

Adding additional funds:

The administrative TIP amendment request above is to program FASTER funds in the Pueblo Signal project for the signal pole replacement due to recent damage to the signal poles at Pueblo Blvd and St. Clair.

Action Requested: Informational

6. 10-Year Process of Projects for Highways and Transit*

Action Requested: Discussion

The projects FY23-26 will be moved forward, there will be another 10-year list. SB 267 and SB 260 are federal infrastructure funds that will be distributing equally throughout the regions.

There will be around \$380m divide by the 5 CDOT regions, the outyears are FY27-FY30.

Region 2 will get 18.97%, which is a bit more than expected. There are enterprise dollars for bridges. Scott Hobson suggested adding Hwy 45 Pueblo Blvd and 24th St improvements. I-25 Exit 108 is in the 5–10-year list for \$11m.

7. MMOF Possible Projects Upcoming Call for Projects

Action Requested: Discussion

MMOF is carried by SB 260, we are wanting a list of projects. Union and Main St is on the list. Hudson Ave multimodal project is also on there. The Local match is not a requirement but is encouraged. MMOF is for ADA or sidewalk, it is not for vehicles. John Adams is looking at a list soon, but it will be an ongoing list. Melanie Turner asked if these funds could be used as a match, Wendy Pettit said that it can't be a match for federal grant. Melanie said it would be for a bridge over Dry Creek on 8th St, Wendy said those projects are Federal Funded. Greg Pedroza asked if this would work for a walking path out at the Airport. Wendy said that she would think so, she also mentioned doing it in phases. Melanie asked if Safe Routes to Schools Match would be eligible, Wendy and John said yes, the whole project could be. The new MMOF is Federal Funds. Heather Norton suggested looking at sidewalks on the northside.

8. Green House Gas (GHG) Rulemaking

Action Requested: Informational

Theresa Takushi is with CDOT GHG. There is another workshop on December 15th and consider rule adoption on December 16th (effective February 14, 2022). The GHG reduction targets are 25% by 2025, 50% by 2030, and 90% by 2050 from 2005 levels. House Bill 1261 was passed in 2019 and this is the Climate Action Plan to Reduce Pollution. SB 21-260 is directing CDOT to develop this rule further in our 10-year plan. The main goal is to reduce pollution and greenhouse gas emissions, this leads to better air quality. This rule is focused on regionally significant projects. Additional Transit, Ped/Bike access, and emission reduction on construction projects. If we can not meet the levels, then the MPO will receive federal CMAQ or STBH Funds. The new provision is consideration of Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), and updated preamble to the rule proposes that traffic control and capacity expansion projects cannot be used as mitigation for pollution impacts on projects. There were a lot of public comments, over 103 oral comments, and over 121 written (2,000 pages). The final Rule will include many other wording changes and clarifying edits.

9. Other Local Agencies Updates

Action Requested: Discussion

Julie George said that Congress did pass the Infrastructure Bill, there will be in a form of grants. It will probably take a year to get every together.

10. Federal Highway and Federal Transit Updates (If needed)

Action Requested: Informational

There were no updates.

11. Next TAC – January 11, 2022 – Zoom only?

Action Requested: Discussion

12. Items from TAC Members or scheduling of future Agenda Items

Roundtable Discussion

MMOF

1-10 Years

Don Bruestle asked Ben Valdez about bus service in Industrial Area. Ben said that they have a plan but is waiting for the study.

13. Adjournment

John Adams adjourned the meeting at 10:23 a.m.