

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Transportation Planning Region (TPR)



Meeting minutes of the Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC) July 8, 2025 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

CDOT HQ - 5615 Wills Blvd., Pueblo, CO 81008

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Agenda items marked with * indicate additional materials are included in the packet. Agenda items marked with ** indicate additional materials will be sent out later.

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1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairwoman: Cheryl Spinuzzi Time of Call: 1:31 p.m.

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

MPO Members Present:-Eva Cosyleon, Hannah Haunert, Dylan Goodman-

TTC Members Present: Amanda Hobson, Greg George, Ben Valdez,-Helen Dupree,-Chuck Roy, Shawn Winters,-Greg Pedroza, Jim Eccher (Colorado City Metro District Manager)

CAC Members Present:-Laura Leyba/Tura Cowan, Richard Arko/John Wark, Don Bruestle, Chuck Aksamit/Matt-Pujol, Cheryl Spinuzzi,-John Chrisman/John Buttram

CDOT Members Present: Lindsey Jaquez,-Lachelle Davis,-Geoff Guthrie,-Scott Skinner, Jennifer Sparks, Matt-Jagow, Rob Frei, Kathleen Collins, Aaron Willis, Shane Ferguson

FTA/FHWA Members Present: Aaron Bustow, Emma Belmont

Others Present: <u>Luann Martinez</u>, Wendy Pettit, <u>Danell Ward</u>, Macario Torrez, Joe Peoria, Sarah Skinner, <u>Chuck Lopez</u>, Sherry Reed, Saqib Gulzar, <u>Scott Hobson</u>, Jon Sera (Molar Engineering)

3. Approval of Minutes

June 10, 2025 Minutes*

Motion to Approve: Don Bruestle

Second: Greg George

Unanimous

It was confirmed that Chuck Roy is the Acting Director for Public Works.

Don Bruestle asked what happens next with the Areas of Persistent Poverty, Macario Torrez said that they are finishing their final report and once they are done, they will give them the final deliverable. Scott Hobson is retiring, his celebration will be Friday, July 25th from 4pm-7pm at 1 City Hall Place – 2nd Floor Prefunction Room.

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4. Public Participation Plan*

Motion to Approve: Don Bruestle

Second: Laura Leyba

Unanimous

Don Bruestle suggested to remind the public in the Pueblo Area Council of Governments (PACOG) meeting that questions are allowed during presentations.

5. Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) request(s) the following projects into the FY 2025 –2028 Pueblo Area Council of Governments Transportation Improvement Program (PACOG TIP) for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

Motion to Approve: Don Bruestle

Second: Laura Leyba a. TIP Amend 2024.031.01

Project Name: Lake Ave & Jones Roundabout

STIP Number: SR26644.109 Fund Source(s): HSIP

Fund Source	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
HSIP	\$ -	\$ (1,350,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,350,000.00)
Local	\$ -	\$ (150,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (150,000.00)
Total	\$ -	\$ (1,500,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,500,000.00)

Note: Removal From TIP, intersection improvements instead

b. TIP Amend 2024.032.01 Policy Amendment

Project Name: Grand Ave & 13th Street Roundabout

STIP Number: SR26644.111 Fund Source(s): HSIP

Fund Source	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
HSIP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,485,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,485,000.00)
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (165,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (165,000.00)
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,650,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,650,000.00)

Note: Removal From TIP, intersection improvements instead

c. TIP Amend 2024.061 Policy Amendment

Project Name: Prairie Ave and St. Clair Ave Intersection Improvements

STIP Number: N/A Fund Source(s): HSIP

Fund Source	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
HSIP	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 621,000.00	\$ 621,000.00
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 69,000.00	\$ 69,000.00
Total	\$ -	\$	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 690,000.00	\$ 690,000.00

Note: Intersection improvements instead

d. TIP Amend 2024.060 Policy Amendment

Project Name: Grand Ave & 13th Street Intersection Improvements

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STIP Number: N/A Fund Source(s): HSIP

Fund Source	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
HSIP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 756,000.00	\$ 756,000.00
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 84,000.00	\$ 84,000.00
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 840,000.00	\$ 840,000.00

Note: Intersection improvements instead of building a roundabout.

e. TIP Amend 2024.062 Policy Amendment

Project Name: Lake Ave and Jones Ave Intersection Improvements

STIP Number: N/A Fund Source(s): HSIP

Fund Source	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Tota	al
HSIP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 756,000.00	\$	756,000.00
Local	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 84,000.00	\$	84,000.00
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 840,000.00	\$	840,000.00

Note: Intersection improvements instead of building a roundabout.

It was discussed that there was a grant to construct these roundabouts but after further study it was determined that there isn't enough right-of-way for them. The City of Pueblo will be doing intersection improvements instead.

6. Draft Fiscal Year 2026 UPWP*

Action Requested: Informational

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is all the work the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) does throughout the year; this includes special projects. This is reimbursed from the Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG). Send comments/questions by July 29th.

7. Vice-Chair Nomination and Selection

Action Required: Approve/Disapprove

Helen Dupree accepted her nomination.

8. Northern Ave Trail** - Chuck Roy

Action Requested: Informational

Chuck Roy presented on Northern Phase Trail, he went over the history (phases) and where we are today. There was a discussion on the actual price, but the bid comes out tomorrow.

9. Multimodal Transportation and Mitigation Options Fund (MMOF) Additional funds

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) request(s) the following projects into the FY 2025 –2028 Pueblo Area Council of Governments Transportation Improvement Program (PACOG TIP)

Action Requested: Informational

TIP Amend 2024.053.01

Project Name: Pueblo Transit Youth Ride Free

STIP Number: SST7077.079 Fund Source(s): MMOF

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Fund Source	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
MMOF	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,523.00	\$ 72,869.00	\$ 108,392.00
Total	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ 35,523.00	\$ 72,869.00	\$ 108,392.00

Note: Youth Ride Free funding for years 2028 and 2029.

Eva Cosyleon gave background and updated on the MMOF projects. All projects are still whole.

10. Multimodal Transportation and Mitigation Options Fund (MMOF) Reallocation

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) request(s) the following projects into the FY 2025 -2028 Pueblo Area Council of Governments Transportation Improvement Program (PACOG TIP)*

Action Requested: See attachment

11. Roll Forwards - MPO and CDOT

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) request(s) the following projects into the FY 2025 –2028 Pueblo Area Council of Governments Transportation Improvement Program (PACOG TIP)*

Action Requested: See attachment

This is taking the money that has been programmed but not budgeted and moving it to the next year.

12. Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) request(s) the following projects into the FY 2025 –2028 Pueblo Area Council of Governments Transportation Improvement Program (PACOG TIP)

Action Requested: Informational

a. TIP Amend

Project Name: CO45 & Mirror Ave Safety Improvements STIP

Number: SR26644.108

Project Location and Description: Design for a future signal and intersection improvements at Pueblo

Blvd. and Mirror Avenue in Pueblo, CO

Fund Source(s): FY26 Hazard Elimination Program (HAZ)

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Fund	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total			
Source										
Federal	0	\$9,450	0	0	0	0	\$9,450			
State	0	\$1,050	0	0	0	0	\$ 1,050			
Total	0	\$10,500	0	0	0	0	\$10,500			

Notes: Programs \$10,500 FY26 additional Hazard Elimination funds for this project.

b. TIP Amend

Project Name: US50B/50C PACOG Corridor Safety Assessment STIP

Number: SR26644.116

Project Location and Description: Conduct a Road Safety Audit Study along US50B and US50C in

Pueblo.

Fund Source(s): FY26 Hazard Elimination Program (HAZ)

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Fund	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total
Source							
Federal	0	\$ 5,387	0	0	0	0	\$ 5,387
State	0	\$ 598	0	0	0	0	\$ 598
Total	0	\$ 5,985	0	0	0	0	\$ 5,985

Notes: Programs an additional \$5,985 of FY26 Hazard Elimination funds for this project; updating the total project cost to \$264,735.

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13. Bustang ridership numbers* - Scott Skinner or Geoff Guthrie

Action Requested: Informational

Scott Skinner presented on Colorado's Bustang – Outrider ridership numbers. The ones to and from Pueblo are doing really good. They have talked about moving some stops around and adding amenities. The Transit Connection Study is going to be out in August.

14. Transportation Technical Committee (TTC) Updates

- a. Aviation Pueblo Airport Greg Pedroza *They are working on logistics for the airshow on September* 27-28th.
- b. City of Pueblo
 - o Public Works Chuck Roy
 - O Transportation Dept. Helen Dupree Helen Dupree said that Monument paving in underway; striping and signing will be done at the schools before August. They are also working on their roadway classification standards; the 2024 Crash Data has been geocoded. Transportation Summit (TS) is tomorrow from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. TS consists of the Safety Action Plan and 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan
 - Pueblo Transit Ben Valdez or Macario Torrez Ben Valdez said that they are working with Public Works and their consultant for the RAISE Grant on where the bus stops and their dimensions.
- c. Colorado City/Rye Jame Eccher
- d. Pueblo County
 - Public Works Greg George Greg George said that they did dust treatment (132.9 miles), chip and slurry (10 miles), and overlay (9.4 miles). Medal of Honor is about 70% complete. They will be developing a rural bus loop system from the RAISE Grant (westside).
 - o Parks and Recreation Amanda Hobson or Abe Armendariz
- e. Pueblo West Shawn Winters or Sherry Reed The Joe Martinez Trail is complete, there are still two minor punch list items that will be finished in the next few weeks. Purcell Trail design is done, waiting for CDOT concurrence. Civic Center Trail Phase 1 waiting for CDOT concurrence.
- f. Senior Resource Development Agency (SRDA) George Chintala
- g. Others
 - CSU-P Dr. Saqib Gulzar Southern Colorado Transportation Conference is October 6th at CSU-P. Registration is free and includes a buffet lunch.
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Action Requested: Informational

15. CDOT R2 and HQ Updates

Action Requested: Informational

Hwy 50B interchange is progressing. Region 2 is spending 111% out of forecasted expenditures for the first half of the year. CDOT is still working on their 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan. CDOT HQ's are scheduled to have the draft regional transportation plans and the 2050 statewide transportation plan out for public release in early August. The survey on transportation issues has closed. The Rural Planning Grant went out and the new Transportation Commissioner is Cook and vice-chair is Bowman.

16. Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Updates

- a. ADA Commission Laura Leyba Don Bruestle said that they are going to meet with the Colorado State Fair to discuss the access for the disabled community. They are going to meet this Thursday at 1pm, they will be doing a separate walk audit and encouraged everyone to join.
- b. Member At-Large Don Bruestle
- c. Pueblo Active Community Environments (PACE) Chuck Aksamit Chuck Aksamit said that Bike

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month just wrapped up and they'll be raffling off some prizes.

- d. Planning and Zoning (P&Z)
 - Pueblo County Richard Arko
 - City of Pueblo Cheryl Spinuzzi said just a few re-zonings. Jellystone said they might be out a few years and will share roadways with Jackson Ranch.
- e. Pueblo Plex John Chrisman said that their focus is to redevelop the PCAP parcel which is about 7,000 acres. This includes the plant itself. They will be doing another public meeting on August 11th.

Action Requested: Informational

17. MPO updates

Action Requested: Informational

a. Transportation Summit* – July 9th - 3:30 p.m. – <u>Sangre de Cristo Arts Center</u>

18. FTA & FHWA updates

Action Requested: Informational

19. Next TAC meeting – August 12, 2025, from 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. – Location: CDOT HQ - <u>5615 Wills</u> Blvd., Pueblo, CO 81008

Deadline for presentations is August 4th at 5 p.m.

Action Requested: Informational

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

Roundtable Discussion

Medal of Honor Blvd. and Trail (September) Bustang (TCS) UPWP FFY 2026 approval Parking update – Helen Dupree I-25 & Hwy 45 feasibility study

21. Adjournment was at 3:39 p.m.

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