

## ATTACHMENT A

### MEETING SUMMARY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE Monday, December 9, 2019

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#### MEMBERS (OR VOTING ALTERNATES) PRESENT:

Jeff Dankenbring	Arapahoe County – City of Centennial
Sarah Grant	Broomfield, City and County
Scott McCarey (Alternate)	Boulder County
Kent Moorman	Adams County-City of Thornton
David Gaspers	Denver, City and County
Janice Finch	Denver, City and County
Ron Papsdorf	Denver Regional Council of Governments
John Cotten (Chair)	Douglas County-City of Lone Tree
Art Griffith	Douglas County-Town of Castle Rock
Maria D'Andrea (Alternate)	City of Englewood
Tim Hester	Aviation
Andrea LaRew	Business
Carson Priest	TDM/Nonmotorized
Rick Pilgrim	Environmental
Aaron Bustow (Ex Officio)	Federal Highway Administration
Sylvia Labrucherie	Senior Interests
Heather Paddock	CDOT Region 4
David Krutsinger	CDOT Region 1
Hank Braaksma	Non-RTD Transit
Stephen Strominger	Non-MPO
Debra Baskett	Jefferson County-City of Westminster
Steve Durian	Jefferson County
Amanda Brimmer (Alternate)	Regional Air Quality Council
Bill Sirois (Alternate)	Regional Transportation District
Kevin Ash	Weld County-Town of Frederick

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

Mac Callison (Alternate)	Arapahoe County-City of Aurora
Kristin Kenyon (Ex Officio)	Federal Transit Administration
Ryan Billings (Alternate)	Denver, City and County
Eugene Howard (Alternate)	Denver, City and County
Aaron Bustow (Ex Officio)	Federal Highway Administration
Mike Whiteaker (Alternate)	Jefferson County – City of Lakewood
Jim Eussen (Alternate)	CDOT Region 4
Dawn Sluder (Alternate)	Non-RTD Transit
Chris Hudson (Alternate)	Douglas County-City of Parker

Public: Lisa Nguyen, Tom Blickensderfer, DEN; Carol Buchanan, DRMAC; Danny Herrmann, JoAnn Mattson, Jan Rowe, Jordan Rudel, Keith Schaffer, CDOT Region 1; Lauren Pulver, Douglas County; Tammy Maurer, Arapahoe County-City of Centennial; Eileen Yazzie, Denver, City and County, Stephen Pouliot, Michael Baker Intl.

DRCOG staff: Jacob Riger, Geoffrey Chiapella, Robert Spotts, Steve Cook, Beth Doliboa, Matthew Helfant, Melinda Stevens, Emily Lindsey

#### Call to Order

Chair John Cotten called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

#### Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Summary of October 28, 2019 meeting

The meeting summary was accepted.

**ACTION ITEMS**

2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendments

Ron Papsdorf, Division Director, explained to the committee the projects proposed to be amended. DRCOG's transportation planning process allows for Board-approved amendments to the current Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) on an as-needed basis. Typically, these amendments involve the addition or deletion of projects, or adjustments to existing projects and do not impact funding for other projects in the TIP.

TIP Amendments

- **New Project**                    **I-25 Valley Highway: Phases 3 and 4**  
Add \$60 million in State SB-1 funding for ROW purchases
- **New Project**                    **Region 1 Urban Roadway Arterial Safety Pool**  
Add \$25 million in State SB-267 funding for regional safety improvements
- **2007-096**                        **Region 1 Surface Treatment Pool**  
Add seven new pool projects using available funding
- **2018-014**                        **I-25 Capacity Improvements: Castle Rock to El Paso County Line**  
Add \$26 million in State SB-267 funding to remove materials to finish roadway completion

Steve Durian MOVED to recommend to the Regional Transportation Committee the attached amendments to the 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Discussion on staff recommended approval of proposed actions regarding FY2019 project delays

Ron Papsdorf presented the delayed projects to the committee. The FY 2016-2021 Policy on TIP Preparation document identifies expectations for project initiation and policy for addressing delays for projects/phases with DRCOG allocated federal funding. DRCOG staff reviewed the implementation status of DRCOG-selected projects/phases and discussed with the sponsors the reason(s) for the delays and action plans demonstrating the sponsor's commitment to timely initiation.

Art Griffith MOVED to recommend to the Regional Transportation Committee actions proposed by DRCOG staff regarding TIP project delays for Fiscal Year 2019. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Discussion on staff recommended approval of the proposed project from the Non-MPO MMOF Call for Projects to be included within the CDOT State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

Ron Papsdorf described the proposed project to the committee. In July 2018, the DRCOG Board acted to set-aside \$500,000 for a special call for projects for those areas in the non-MPO portion of DRCOG (Clear Creek County, Gilpin County, and eastern Adams and Arapahoe Counties, east of Kiowa Creek) with funding from the state Multimodal Options Fund (MMOF).

Art Griffith MOVED to recommend to the Regional Transportation Committee the project selected for funding from the Non-MPO MMOF Call for Projects. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Discussion on DRCOG becoming the direct recipient for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 (Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities) Program funding

Matthew Helfant, Senior Transportation Planner, explained to the committee what the program is and what types of projects it funds. The FTA 5310 program funds projects to increase the mobility of older adults and individuals with disabilities. Eligible projects include both capital investment and operating assistance for service that goes beyond minimum Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) complementary paratransit service requirements. There is an annual allocation of just under \$2 million for the Denver-Aurora Urbanized Area. DRCOG is proposing to become the direct recipient for these funds (CDOT is currently) to integrate and leverage FTA 5310 funds with Older Americans Act/Older Coloradans Act funds and 2020-2023 TIP Human Service Transportation funds that DRCOG already administers. David Krutsinger voiced CDOT's support for this change.

Art Griffith MOVED to recommend that the DRCOG Board and RTC approve DRCOG filing applications with the Federal Transit Association (FTA), for federal transportation assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53; Title 23, United States Code, or other federal statutes administered by the FTA and to request that the governor of Colorado appoint DRCOG as Designated Recipient for FTA section 5310 funding in the Denver-Aurora Urbanized Area. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Discussion on federally required performance-based planning safety targets

Beth Doliboa, Transportation Planner, presented the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act safety targets to the committee. The FAST Act requires state DOTs and MPOs to annually set targets and report on progress towards achieving those targets for several topics in support of a performance-based approach to transportation planning and programming. These topics include safety, infrastructure (pavement and bridge condition), system performance, and transit asset management. DRCOG has until February 2020 to set and report the 2020 safety targets to CDOT.

Hank Braaksma MOVED to recommend to the Regional Transportation Committee the proposed 2020 safety targets for the DRCOG Transportation Management Area as required by the FAST Act. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Discussion on appointing a TAC member and alternate to serve on the AMP Working Group

Emily Lindsey, Transportation Technology Strategist, solicited volunteers from the TAC to serve on the Advanced Mobility Partnership (AMP) Working Group. Since the completion of the Mobility Choice Blueprint Study and Report, staff from DRCOG, CDOT, RTD and the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce have been working to begin implementing recommendations and outcomes from the planning process. One of the key recommendations is to establish a "mobility technology advisory committee" to spearhead implementation and coordination efforts. The committee, known as the AMP, kicked off in December 2019.

Debra Baskett MOVED to appoint TAC member Carson Priest to serve as the TAC representative on the AMP Working Group. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Election of a TAC Chair and Vice Chair for the 2020/2021 term

Jacob Riger, Long Range Transportation Planning Manager, presented this topic to the committee. A nominating panel comprised of Rick Pilgrim, Bill Sirois, David Krutsinger, and John Cotten was

formed to solicit and propose nominations for TAC Chair and Vice Chair. Staff also requested expressions of interest from the entire TAC membership. Two expressions of interest came from current Vice Chair Kent Moorman to be nominated for either Chair or Vice Chair, and from Steve Durian to be nominated for either Chair or Vice Chair.

Bill Sirois MOVED to elect Kent Moorman to serve as Chair and Steve Durian as Vice Chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee for 2020/2021. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

### **INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING**

#### **Proposed 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan scenarios to test**

Jacob Riger presented the proposed scenarios to the committee. DRCOG staff introduced the scenario analysis process for the 2050 MVRTP and sought input on thematic concepts to test at the October TAC meeting. Staff has also been soliciting input from the DRCOG Board and county transportation forums, along with the results of the 2050 MVRTP phase I public engagement results. Based on all feedback received, staff proposed several scenarios to test that encompassed a range of multimodal transportation and land use concepts.

Each proposed scenario presented by Mr. Riger was discussed by members of the committee. Much of the discussion was explaining and clarifying the components of each scenario. Major topics and questions raised by committee members while discussing scenarios were:

- Transit emphasis scenario: a member suggested including the cost of eliminating all fares in this scenario (about \$140 million annually) as part of the overall cost associated with this scenario.
- Technology & connected/autonomous vehicles emphasis scenarios: a member suggested trying to examine the potential competition with transit in terms of a “price per seat mile” metric.
- Overall: a member suggested that once these scenarios are run, it may be helpful to combine scenario concepts that seem to “fit” together in order to also gauge those results.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

#### **Member Comment/Other Matters**

- Chair John Cotten recognized two members of the TAC who are retiring: Janice Finch and Sylvia Labrucherie. Chair Cotten and the committee congratulated them and thanked them for their service.

#### **Next Meeting – January 27, 2020**

There were no comments from members. The meeting adjourned at 3:21 p.m.