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BOARD RECEIVES PRESENTATION ON URBAN LAND INSTITUTE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PANEL

In 2016, the Denver Regional Council of Governments provided \$10,000 in matching funds to the Urban Land Institute to facilitate technical advisory panels in Englewood and Superior. The panels convene Urban Land Institute members for two days who volunteer their time and expertise to address a specific problem identified by a jurisdiction. Marilee Utter, president of Citiventure; Brad Power, director of the City of Englewood's community development department; and Jordan Block, urban designer/planner at RNL Design provided information about the projects. In Englewood, the panel addressed connecting transit-oriented development with the Broadway corridor, redeveloping commercial strips and responding to hospital leadership's request to explore attracting hotels with meeting space to the area. In Superior, the panel examined Superior Town Center from a market and design perspective, and evaluated the opportunity for development, including residential and office space while retaining anchor retailers.

BOARD APPROVES AMENDMENT TO THE 2016-2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The board adopted a resolution approving an amendment to the 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program related to Central Interstate 70 to add Senate Bill 09-228 transfers from the state general fund to the Colorado Department of Transportation; bonds/loans funding categories and reduce Colorado Bridge Enterprise funding. Overall funding remains unchanged. The Colorado Bridge Enterprise funding was reduced to more accurately reflect that bond/loan financing will be secured by the developer, rather than the Colorado Bridge Enterprise.

BOARD ADOPTS 2040 METRO VISION REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND ASSOCIATED AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY DOCUMENTS

Following wide-ranging discussion, the Board adopted a resolution approving the 2040 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan, and the associated carbon dioxide and particulate matter conformity determination, and the Denver southern subarea eight-hour ozone conformity determination.

BOARD ADOPTS THE 2018-2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND ASSOCIATED AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY DOCUMENTS

To better align with the timing of the Colorado Department of Transportation's Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, the Board adopted a four-year, short-term document that outlines how federal, state and local transportation funding is allocated to projects in the Denver metro area. The 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program includes projects selected by DRCOG, CDOT, and the Regional Transportation District, each with its own selection processes and funding sources. Per federal transportation planning requirements, all pollutant emission

tests were passed, as shown in associated carbon dioxide, particulate matter and Denver southern subarea eight-hour ozone air quality conformity determinations.

BOARD APPOINTS MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES TO THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

DRCOG's Board of Directors appointed members to the Regional Transportation Committee, which includes representatives of DRCOG, the RTD and CDOT.

DRCOG's executive director (Doug Rex, acting), Board chair (Bob Roth) and Board vice chair (Herb Atchison) are automatic designees. The board selected as members Ron Rakowsky and Heidi Williams, and as alternates Steve O'Dorisio, George Teal, Laura Christman, Colleen Whitlow and Joan Peck.

BOARD TAKES POSITIONS ON STATE LEGISLATION

Board members were updated on current state legislative issues and bills of regional concern or interest and gave direction to staff regarding DRCOG positions on specific bills. More information on the specific legislation and positions taken by the Board since the General Assembly convened is available in the "[2017 April Legislative Summary](#)."

BOARD AUTHORIZES DRCOG TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FOR COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF REGIONAL COUNCILS

In response to a vacancy in the role of a member organization to provide administrative oversight and support for the Colorado Association of Regional Organizations, the Board authorized DRCOG to fill the vacancy for a year on a fee-for-service basis. DRCOG has been a member of the association since its inception.