

Board update

Feb. 16, 2022

Action items



Election of Board officers

Background: The nominating committee considered all individuals who submitted their names to serve as Board officers and recommended the following:

- **Chair:** Kevin Flynn, Denver
- **Vice chair:** Steve Conklin, Edgewater
- **Secretary:** Wynne Shaw, Lone Tree
- **Treasurer:** Jeff Baker, Arapahoe County

Result: The Board unanimously appointed the nominated individuals to serve as Board officers.



Appointments to the Performance and Engagement and Finance and Budget committees

Background: The nominating committee considered all individuals who submitted their names to serve and

recommended the following to serve new two-year terms:

Finance and Budget Committee

- Lisa Smith, Arvada
- Jessica Sandgren, Thornton
- Nicholas Williams, Denver
- Tracy Kraft-Tharp, Jefferson County
- Claire Levy, Boulder County
- Neal Shah, Superior
- Paul Haseman, Golden

Performance and Engagement Committee

- George Teal, Douglas County
- Steve O'Dorisio, Adams County
- Jeslin Shahrezaei, Lakewood
- Bud Starker, Wheat Ridge
- William Lindstedt, Broomfield
- John Diak, Parker
- Stephanie Walton, Lafayette

Result: The Board unanimously appointed the nominated individuals to serve on the Board committees.



Appointments to the Front Range Passenger Rail District Board

Background: The nominating committee considered all individuals who submitted their names to serve on the Front Range Passenger Rail

District Board and recommended the following:

- Julie Duran Mullica, Northglenn
- Joan Peck, Longmont
- Chris Nevitt, Denver
- Deborah Mulvey, Castle Pines

DRCOG's appointment of directors is subject to senate confirmation.

Result: The Board unanimously appointed the nominated individuals to serve on the Front Range Passenger Rail District Board.



Amending the fiscal years 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program

Presenter: Josh Schwenk, Assistant Planner, Transportation Planning and Operations

Background: The Unified Planning Work Program describes the transportation planning activities to be conducted in the Denver region.

The proposed amendment includes the addition of tasks required under the recently passed federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and addressing updated federal planning emphasis areas recently released by the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Result: The Board amended the Unified Planning Work Program for fiscal years 2022-2023.



Discussion on state legislative issues

Presenter: Rich Mauro, Director of Legislative Affairs

Background: The 2022 Colorado General Assembly convened on Jan.

12. DRCOG staff have compiled bills of interest with staff comments and recommended positions (relative to the Board-adopted [Policy Statement on State Legislative Issues](#)) for Board consideration. Throughout the legislative session, Mauro offers opportunities to the Board to provide feedback on established and new positions the Board may take.

Result: Mauro provided updates on bills the Board provided positions on in January:

HB22-1035 | Modernization of the Older Coloradans' Act

Board position: Support with amendments
Current status: [Under consideration](#)

HB22-1026 | Alternative Transportation Options Tax Credit

Board position: Support with amendments
Current status: [Under consideration](#)

HB22-1028 | Statewide Regulation of Controlled Intersections

Board position: Support with amendments
Current status: [Under consideration](#)

SB22-016 | Modifying Department of Transportation Governance

Board position: Monitor
Current status: [Lost](#)

Following presentations and discussions among each legislative issue, the Board voted to support SB22-079, "Dementia Training Requirements Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Department of Health Care Policy and Financing Rules." The Board also voted to monitor HB22-1138, "Reduce Employee Single-Occupancy Vehicle Trips."

[The legislative matrix can be found here.](#)



Informational briefing

**[An update on the
Reimagine RTD project](#)**

Presenter: Bill Van Meter, Assistant General Manager, RTD

Summary: Reimagine RTD is an effort to evaluate and forecast the changing transportation needs of the Denver region. The purpose of the effort is to provide Regional Transportation District staff with findings to help them better understand and respond to the needs of their customers, stakeholders and the public, especially as the region emerges from the COVID-19 pandemic.



*A briefing on the Regional
Vision Zero educational
marketing campaign*

Presenter: Linda Hill, Hill Aevium

Summary: The Board adopted the Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero plan in June 2020. In 2021, the Board selected Hill Aevium as a marketing agency to create and implement an awareness campaign.

Hill presented an overview of the award-winning “Slow Speeding” campaign, including research, creative elements, media strategy and public relations.

