

# Keeping Up With COMPASS

August 2017

A newsletter for COMPASS members to keep abreast of COMPASS Board, committee, and workgroup actions.

## Executive Committee – July 11, 2017

More information: [www.compassidaho.org/people/execmeetings.htm](http://www.compassidaho.org/people/execmeetings.htm)

Next meeting date: August 8, 2017, COMPASS, Second Floor Large Conference Room

### July Action Items:

- Board Meeting Agenda. Established the August 28, 2017, COMPASS Board meeting agenda.
- FY2018 Workgroup Charters. Recommended COMPASS Board approval of the draft FY2018 workgroup charters. The COMPASS Board will receive this item for action at its August 28, 2017, meeting.
- Board Member Travel. Approved a travel request from Caldwell Mayor Garrett Nancolas to attend the 2017 National Association of Regional Councils' Board Retreat, October 24-25, 2017, in San Antonio, Texas.

### July Information/Discussion Item:

- FY2016 and FY2017 Workgroup Tasks. Received a status report on FY2016 and FY2017 workgroup tasks.

## Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) – July 26, 2017

More information: [www.compassidaho.org/people/rtacmeetings.htm](http://www.compassidaho.org/people/rtacmeetings.htm)

Next meeting date: August 23, 2017, COMPASS, First Floor Board Room

### July Action Items:

- Funding Application Ranking Process. Recommended COMPASS Board approval to revise the funding application ranking process. The revised process will keep the paired comparison method of rating projects, but remove the requirement to use the Audience Response System (ARS) to do so. The revised process will be brought to the COMPASS Board for action at its August 28, 2017, meeting.
- FY2017-2021 TIP. Recommended COMPASS Board approval of an amendment to the FY2017-2021 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to increase the amount of funding budgeted to replace an Idaho Transportation Department maintenance yard facility. The new facility, funded through state funds, will be located in the City of Nampa and will replace a facility that was located in the City of Meridian. COMPASS Board approval is required for this change because the cost increase exceeds 30% of the original cost. This item will be brought to the COMPASS Board for action via consent agenda in its August 28, 2017, meeting.
- STP-TMA Balancing. Approved an action to balance the Surface Transportation Program - Transportation Management Area (STP-TMA) program by releasing funds from projects where they are not needed and reprogramming those funds to meet other needs, based on priorities outlined in COMPASS policy.

### **July Information/Discussion Items:**

- CIM 2040 Growth Comparison. Reviewed regional growth trends and how they compare to growth forecasted in the *Communities in Motion 2040* Vision.
- CIM 2040 2.0. Reviewed COMPASS staff recommendations for a refined funding policy and a process to determine funded and unfunded projects and priorities for *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0* (CIM 2040 2.0), and discussed the concept of an online, interactive document for CIM 2040 2.0.

### **July Special Item:**

- Emergency Communication Capabilities. Received an overview of work being conducted to develop the “FirstNet” system – a wireless broadband communication system for public safety and first responders in Idaho.

## **Workgroups**

### **Public Participation Workgroup**

Meeting date: July 5, 2017

Highlights:

- Provided input in a draft brochure on access management.
- Reviewed the “Walk Bike Compass” online map and provided input into ways to promote it.
- Discussed branding ideas for the draft regional bike route system.
- Received an update on *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0*.
- Reviewed and provided input into the concept of a web-based format for *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0*.

More information: [www.compassidaho.org/people/workgroups.htm#ppw](http://www.compassidaho.org/people/workgroups.htm#ppw)

Next meeting date: TBD

### **Census Advisory Workgroup**

Meeting date: July 19, 2017

Highlights:

- Received an overview of Census 2020 preparation plans and of upcoming technical work.
- Discussed COMPASS’ Census 2020 communications strategy.
- Discussed plans for reaching hard-to-count populations.

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Next meeting date: Spring 2018

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