



REGIONAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 27, 2008
COMMUNITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION

****MINUTES****

ATTENDEES:

Mary Berent, City of Middleton
 Clair Bowman, City of Nampa
 Jon Cecil, Capital City Development Corporation
 Phil Choate, Idaho Transportation Department-District 3
 Michael DuBois, Department of Environmental Quality
 Matt Ellsworth, City of Meridian, *Chair*
 Stephen Freiburger, Nampa Highway District #1 (*for Jim Buffington*)
 Sally Goodell, Ada County Highway District
 Dean Gunderson, Ada County Development Services
 Ryan McDaniel, City of Boise
 Gloria Parkvold, Valley Regional Transit
 Tim Richard, Canyon Highway District #4, *Vice Chair*
 Deanna Smith, Public Participation Committee
 Mary Shaw Taylor, City of Star
 Toni Tisdale, COMPASS (*Ex-Officio*)
 Jarom Wagoner, Canyon County Development Services

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Wendell Bigham, Joint School District #2
 Chris Danley, Ada County Highway District
 Jared Everett, Boise State University
 Steve Hasson, City of Kuna
 Anne Horn, Mayor, City of Notus
 Rob Howarth, Central District Health Department (*Ex-Officio*)
 Brent Orton, City of Caldwell
 Nichoel Baird Spencer, City of Eagle
 Sarah Stobaugh, Boise Independent School District
 Jenah Thornborrow, City of Garden City
 Margie Watson, Mayor, City of Parma

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ryan Christenson, Wilbur Smith Associates
 Sonna Lynn Fernandez, Idaho Transportation Department
 Don Matson, COMPASS
 Terri Schorzman, COMPASS
 David Thompson, Thompson Transportations
 Charles Trainor, COMPASS
 Debbie Winchar, COMPASS
 David Zaremba, Valley Regional Transit

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ellsworth called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES

Sally Goodell requested a discussion on the Major Amendment Changes. Toni Tisdale suggested the discussion take place under Item VII. - Other.

OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jon Cecil stated that the CCDC Board will be considering a resolution for the adoption of the *Communities in Motion* Implementation Guidebook, scheduled for March 10, 2008.

Terri Schorzman stated that COMPASS is initiating its 2008 Education Series. A brochure will be forwarded to committee members entitled, *Making Connections: Improving Mobility and Design in the Treasure Valley*. The topics for the 2008 series support the implementation of the regional long-range transportation plan, *Communities in Motion*. Information pertaining to workshop dates, topics, and guest speakers may be found on the COMPASS website:

http://www.compassidaho.org/comm/publicevents_connections.htm .

CONSENT AGENDA

A. *Approve January 23, 2008 Meeting Minutes*

Tim Richard moved and Jon Cecil seconded to approve the January 23, 2008 minutes as written. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

ACTION ITEMS

A. *Recommend Approval of the Priorities for the Surface Transportation Program – Enhancement Projects*

Toni Tisdale presented the recommended priorities for Enhancement projects for Ada and Canyon Counties.

Discussion

Ryan McDaniel moved and Clair Bowman seconded to strike the Original Rank and Score numbers, because of an administrative mathematical error, and use the Corrected Rank and Score numbers.

Discussion

Motion passes with 4 abstentions.

Clair Bowman moved and Jon Cecil seconded to forward the priority recommendations as presented to the COMPASS Board for adoption of the following categories: Historic-Canyon County, Scenic/Environmental-Ada County, Scenic/Environmental-Canyon County, and Pedestrian/Bicycle-Canyon County.

Discussion

Motion passes with 3 abstentions.

Discussion

A Garden City Ordinance was used in prioritizing the Enhancement Projects, the established criteria used to prioritize Projects does not include using Ordinances: therefore, the reviewers score provided in the Garden City column is invalid and should be dropped, so as not to penalize Garden City for the error made during review.

After discussion, *Ryan McDaniel moved and Stephen Freiburger seconded to accept the Alternative Version: Pedestrian/Bicycle-Ada County scoring with scorer of concern removed from the Garden City TE Project only because an unapproved criteria was used in the scoring of Garden City.*

Discussion

Motion passes with 3 nays and 3 abstentions.

Clair Bowman moved and Ryan McDaniel seconded that for next year, COMPASS drop the lowest and highest ranking scores before computing the averages.

Discussion

Clair Bowman moved and Ryan McDaniel seconded to table the current discussion and the motion associated with it, and bring it back at RTAC's March meeting as a discussion item with no motion on the table. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

B. Recommend Concurrence with ACHD's Recommendation for the Fairview Corridor

Charles Trainor presented for recommendation, the Long-Range Transportation Plan Amendment Policy.

Sally Goodell presented information regarding ACHD's approach to a Fairview Avenue Corridor study.

After discussion, *Stephen Freiburger moved and Ryan McDaniel seconded to recommend approval of ACHD's recommendation for the Fairview Corridor. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.*

C. Recommend Approval of an Amendment to the FY2008-2012 Northern Ada County and Nampa Urbanized Area Transportation Improvement Programs

Toni Tisdale presented a summary of the amendment changes.

Dean Gunderson moved and Tim Richard seconded to recommend approval of the Amendment to the FY2008-2012 Northern Ada County and Nampa Urbanized Area Transportation Improvement Programs.

After further discussion, *the motion was unanimously approved.*

D. Recommend Approval of the High Volume Intersection Study

Ryan Christenson of Wilbur Smith Associates and David Thompson of Thompson Transportation presented findings and requested the committee's recommendation for approval of the study, including recommendations of ten intersections and other guidelines for adjacent development.

Discussion

Dean Gunderson moved and Jon Cecil seconded to accept the High Volume Intersection Study but not make a recommendation to approve thus allowing time for the members of RTAC to provide feedback to the consultant for modifications to be made.

After further discussion, *the motion was unanimously approved.*

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Review the Project Prioritization Process

Charles Trainor recommended this item be tabled until next scheduled meeting.

B. Discuss Construction Coordination and Studies

Charles Trainor recommended this item be tabled until next scheduled meeting.

OTHER

Sally Goodell suggested deferring the discussion of the Major Amendment Changes.

A. Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 27, 2008, 9:00 a.m., at COMPASS.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

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