



*REGIONAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE*  
*MARCH 28, 2007*  
*COMMUNITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION*

**\*\*MINUTES\*\***

**ATTENDEES:**

Lisa Bachman, City of Kuna  
 Mary Berent, City of Middleton, *Chair*  
 Kevin Bittner, Valley Regional Transit  
 Jon Cecil, Capital City Development Corporation  
 Phil Choate, Idaho Transportation Department-District 3  
 Chris Danley, Ada County Highway District (*for Don Kostelec*)  
 Mike DuBois, Department of Environmental Quality  
 Matt Ellsworth, City of Meridian, *Vice-Chair*  
 Karen Gallagher, City of Boise  
 Dean Gunderson, Ada County  
 Rob Howarth, Central District Health Department (*Ex-Officio*)  
 Shawn Martin, Ada County Highway District  
 Brent Orton, City of Caldwell  
 Jenah Thornborrow, City of Garden City  
 Toni Tisdale, COMPASS (*Ex-Officio*)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jim Buffington, Nampa Highway District #1  
 Ester Ceja, Public Participation Committee  
 Marje Ellmaker, Mayor, City of Notus  
 Michael Fuss, City of Nampa  
 Nathan Mitchell, Mayor, City of Star  
 Whitney Rearick, Boise State University  
 Tim Richard, Canyon Highway District #4  
 Nichoel Baird Spencer, City of Eagle  
 Sarah Stobaugh, Boise Independent School District  
 Vacant, Canyon County Development Services

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

John Cunningham, COMPASS  
 Ryan Head, COMPASS  
 Don Matson, COMPASS  
 Carl Miller, COMPASS  
 Meghan Slupe, Doherty & Associates  
 Charles Trainor, COMPASS  
 Mark Wasdahl, Idaho Transportation Department  
 Debbie Winchar, COMPASS

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## *CALL TO ORDER*

Chair Berent called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

## *AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES*

Chair Berent stated that since a quorum was not present, discussion would begin with the Information Items.

## *OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS*

Chair Berent asked for open discussion or announcements. None were presented.

## *Information/Discussion Items*

### *A. Status of Functional Classification/Street Typologies Study*

Charles Trainor presented a brief update of the Functional Classification/Street Typologies Study. A well attended Street Classification and Design Workshop took place on March 21, 2007, at the Canyon County Courthouse.

Charles Trainor stated that an Ada County Highway District (ACHD) Transportation - Land Use Integration Plan (TLIP) Meeting - Workshop #3 will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2007, 1:30 p.m., at the Red Lion Hotel - Downtown 1800 Fairview, in the White Pine Conference Room.

### *B. Access Management Toolbox Update*

John Cunningham presented an update on the progress of the Access Management Toolbox. Comments on the draft Treasure Valley Access Management Toolbox are solicited from RTAC.

Carl Miller stated the draft is complete for the most part but there are a number of informational and/or graphical gaps (i.e., model ordinance language).

#### Discussion:

- Create an overall scheme describing the different tools that will be used for threshold implementation.

John Cunningham commented that this could be a future enhancement step, to apply local thresholds, which would make the tools more useful.

- Page 26, Continuous Two-Way Center Left-Turn Lane description - Quick fix: make a distinction between streets to move cars and streets for local business access but no major transportation corridors.
- Define arterials (i.e., arterial or highway, or business arterial).

John Cunningham asked that additional comments be forwarded to him or Meghan Slupe at Doherty & Associates.

*Quorum now present, Chair Berent moved to the Consent Agenda.*

CONSENT AGENDA

A. *Approve February 28, 2007 Meeting Minutes*

*Jon Cecil moved and Karen Gallagher seconded to approve the February 28, 2007 minutes as written. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.*

*Action Items*

A. *Recommend Ranking of Projects Requested for the FY 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Programs*

Toni Tisdale presented for discussion and recommendation, the ranking of requested projects for the FY 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Programs.

*DISCUSSION*

Dean Gunderson stated for the record that entities responsible for highway improvements should find mechanisms to fund those improvements (i.e., ITD funding improvements on state routes).

Toni Tisdale stated that as requested by the Committee, RTAC will make a three-fold recommendation: an addition to the Studies ranking criteria; Minor Capital Projects prioritization scoring; and, Corridor Development/Construction.

*Studies Ranking Criteria:*

After discussion, *Dean Gunderson moved and Jon Cecil seconded to recommend the Studies ranking criteria as amended:* "Project creates a sub-area transportation master plan in order to **identify** future transportation needs for the area, which is consistent with the intent of *Communities in Motion* and master planning. (20 points)"

*DISCUSSION*

After further discussion, *the maker and second of the motion, amended the motion to recommend the new Studies ranking criteria to read:* "Project creates a sub-area transportation master plan in order to **identify** transportation needs **and improvements**, which is consistent with the intent of *Communities in Motion*. (20 points)" *Motion passes with one nay vote.*

*Minor Capital Projects*

*Dean Gunderson moved and Jon Cecil seconded to recommend the Minor Capital prioritization scoring for surface transportation projects as presented by staff.*

*DISCUSSION*

Karen Gallagher stated for the record, her concern regarding the number of points given to the safety category.

After discussion, *the motion passes with one nay vote.*

### Corridor Development/Construction

*Dean Gunderson moved and Jenah Thornborrow seconded to recommend the draft Corridor Prioritization for FY 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Programs as presented by staff with the provision that the COMPASS Board consider removing any listed corridor project that would propose improvements on I-84.*

#### *DISCUSSION*

Karen Gallagher stated for the record that it is important to list all the state, local, and federal projects together.

*After discussion, Dean Gunderson made a substitute motion and Brent Orton seconded to recommend the draft Corridor Prioritization for FY 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Programs as presented by staff with the addition of a field identifying the prorated expenditures or costs broken out by local, state, and federal funding. Motion fails.*

#### *DISCUSSION*

*After further discussion, Brent Orton moved and Karen Gallagher seconded a motion to recommend the draft Corridor Prioritization for FY 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Programs with staff identifying I-84 projects versus all other projects and making a pie chart thereof. There being no further discussion, the motion passes with one nay vote.*

Charles Trainor stated that whether part of the motion or not, it should be noted that this is an informational document. Toni Tisdale replied it would be noted within the text of the document.

#### *Other*

*Next Meeting:* Wednesday, April 25, 2007, 9:00 a.m. at COMPASS.

#### *Adjournment*

*There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.*