



**Regional Technical Advisory Committee
October 26, 2005
Community Planning Association**

*****Minutes*****

ATTENDEES: Mary Berent, City of Middleton, **Vice Chair**
Wendel Bigham, Meridian School District Transportation
Kevin Bittner, Valley Regional Transit
Ryan Culter, Canyon County Development Services
Karen Gallagher, City of Boise
Leonard Herr, Department of Environmental Quality
Don Kostelec, Ada County Highway District, **Chair**
Shawn Martin, Ada County Highway District
Steve Siddoway, City of Meridian
Nichoel Baird Spencer, City of Eagle
Dennis Stegenga, City of Star
Sue Sullivan, Idaho Transportation Department-District 3
Toni Tisdale, COMPASS (*Ex-Officio*)

ABSENT: Casey Bequeath, Canyon Highway District #4
Jim Buffington, Nampa Highway District #1
Dean Gunderson, Ada County
Gordon Law, City of Caldwell
Paul Raymond, City of Nampa
Pam Sheldon, Capital City Development Corporation
Sarah Stobaugh, Boise Independent School District
(Vacant), City of Garden City
(Vacant), City of Kuna

OTHERS

ATTENDING: Patricia Nilsson, COMPASS
Matt Petaja, Boise Air Terminal
Nicole Prehoda, COMPASS
Debbie Winchar, COMPASS

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Don Kostelec called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Since a quorum was not present, the Chair moved to the Information Items.

INFORMATION ITEMS

FY 2006-2010 Transportation Improvement Program Final Reports for Nampa Urbanized Area and Northern Ada County

Patricia Nilsson stated the COMPASS Board of Directors approved the final project lists for the FY 2006-2010 Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) for the Nampa Urbanized Area and Northern Ada County. Both programs have been submitted to the Federal Highway Administration.

Patricia commented the TIP is in an Access database format. Nicole Prehoda is working to produce the TIP data in various formats in order for members to get a better understanding of dollars that are actually programmed by year and the activities on projects in the respective geographic areas. If RTAC members have customized information needs, please notify staff.

Review public comments on the draft transportation plan under *Communities in Motion* and preliminary project prioritization criteria

Toni Tisdale stated over 309 people attended the October 5-6 Open Houses. The participants were apprised of the costs, transportation system availability, and how the land use would work for the Trend and Community Choices networks. An informal vote was taken as to their scenario preference and at a 6 to 1 ratio, 222 voted for Community Choices and 36 for Trend. All of the information presented at the Open Houses is available on the *Communities in Motion* (CIM) website.

Kittelson & Associates have provided a lengthy memorandum which gives the methodology of the project prioritization. The main focus is on efficiency and accessibility. The CIM-Plan Coordination Team will be meeting on October 28 at 9:30 a.m., at COMPASS in an attempt to wrap up project prioritization and RTAC members are welcome to attend.

Proposed Change in Meeting Dates

Toni Tisdale stated that because of the holidays, a tight schedule with CIM and the timing of key issues which would not allow time to bring information to RTAC before it is presented to the COMPASS Board; staff is proposing the following meeting date changes:

November 16, 2005
December 14, 2005
January 18, 2006
February 22, 2006 – *will stay as scheduled*
March 15, 2006 – *(Note: different than reported during the meeting)*
April 12, 2006.

These meetings will continue to meet at 9:00 a.m. at COMPASS.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Patricia Nilsson commented that the Idaho Transportation Department held a funding workshop on Monday, October 24. CDs of the information presented are available upon request.

Don Kostelec stated a letter has been distributed for the Committee's review regarding comments COMPASS has submitted to Ada County Development Services in regard to the Avimor Planned Community. The letter was endorsed by the COMPASS Board on October 17, 2005. Toni Tisdale commented that the Board had several concerns about the comments that staff and RTAC recommended. The Board amended the language. The amended version of the comments was provided as a handout.

With quorum now present, the Chair moved to the Action Items.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve September 28, 2005 Minutes

Nichoel Baird Spencer moved and Shawn Martin seconded to approve the September 28, 2005 minutes as written. There being no further discussion the motion was unanimously approved.

ACTION ITEMS

Recommend Amendments to RTAC Bylaws

After discussion, **Steve Siddoway moved and Sue Sullivan seconded to recommend the amendments to the RTAC Bylaws, including the amendment of Article II, 8.** "If a member has three (3) successive unexcused absences a 'notice of member inactivity' *may* be sent to the director of that represented agency...." **There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.**

A consensus was voiced by all RTAC members present to include a meeting attendance list in each monthly packet.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Overview of Boise Airport Master Plan

Matt Petaja gave a presentation on the Boise Airport Master Plan Update, which is in the early stages of development. He requested participation in the process from RTAC members.

Update on the North Meridian Plan

Steve Siddoway stated the City of Meridian has been working to update its comprehensive plan in the North Meridian area. Steve distributed and reviewed the North Meridian Area Traffic Update, Future Land Use Map, and Auto Circulation Map.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.