

YVCOG TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
February 21, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Restucci, Chairman, called the February 21, 2017 meeting of the Transportation Policy Board to order at 1:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT
POLICY

It is the policy of the Transportation Policy Board to accept public comment on agenda items at the time the item is being discussed. Public comments regarding items not on the agenda will be heard at the end of the meeting.

ROLL CALL &
INTRODUCTIONS

Members present: Jim Restucci, John Hodkinson, Janice Gonzales (1:35), Mario Martinez, Mike Leita (1:47), Dan Olson, Maureen Adkison, Todd Trepanier, and Madelyn Carlson.

Members Absent: Jon Smith.

YVCOG staff present: Larry Mattson, Deb LaCombe, Brian Curtin, Mike Shuttleworth, Brian Galloway, and Tami Hayward.

Others present: Rhonda Hauff (YNHS); Sara Watkins (City of Yakima), Joan Davenport (City of Yakima), Lisa Homer (Homelessness Co-Chair), and Deb Sterling (Justice Housing of Yakima).

**Indicates notice of absence received prior to meeting.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hodkinson moved to approve the January 18, 2017 Minutes. Mr. Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Title VI Annual Report

Ms. LaCombe reviewed the Title VI Annual Report, which is an update to the actual Title VI plan, itself. The Title VI Annual Report is due to WSDOT by February 28th.

Mr. Olson moved to approve the Title VI Annual Report and forward to WSDOT. Ms. Adkison seconded. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

*Granger and Mabton
Transportation Elements*

Mr. Shuttleworth presented the Transportation Elements for the cities of Granger and Mabton for approval and certification. We are required to ensure the transportation elements are consistent with the regional plan. The elements have been reviewed by YVCOG staff and found to be consistent. *(Recording ends here.)*

Mr. Hodkinson moved to Certify the Transportation Element for the City of Granger, and for the City of Mabton, and to approve Chair to sign the Checklists. Mr. Leita seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Eco Resource Management System Inc. (ERMSI) – Transportation Modeling Contract

Mr. Mattson introduced the 2017-2018 transportation modeling services contract, with ERMSI (Robert Shull), for approval. This is a two-year contract and is not to exceed \$25,000 per year. This contract relates to our PTV and VISUM software.

Mr. Leita moved to approve the contract and authorize the Chair to sign. Mr. Hodkinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

February 2017 M/RTIP Amendment

Mr. Curtin introduced the February 2017 M/RTIP Amendment, requesting that the Policy Board adopt Resolutions 2017-03 and 2017-04, and authorizing the Chair to sign the TIP Amendment Checklist.

Three STIP amendment projects were submitted. City of Tieton – *Wisconsin Avenue Downtown Sidewalk Improvements*; Yakima County – *Yakima Valley Hwy and Van Belle Road Intersection Conflict Project*; and WSDOT-SC – *SR 223/S Track Road – Railroad Crossing Improvements*.

The public comment period was completed on February 8, 2017, and no comments were received. The TAC agreed on recommendation to the Policy Board at their February 9th meeting.

Mr. Olson moved to adopt Resolution 2017-03 for Determination of Air Quality, Resolution 2017-04 for Findings, and approval of the 2017-2020 M/RTIP February Amendment, authorizing the Chair to sign Resolutions and TIP Amendment Checklist. Mr. Hodkinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Director's Report

Mr. Mattson reported that he attended the NARC Conference in Washington DC last week. He received a lot of good information and that he was able to meet with some key people while there. According to the experts, we shouldn't expect any new transportation funding in 2017.

Washington will receive \$3.6 billion in transportation funding through the FAST Act. As a result of the meetings that Chairman Restucci participated in this past year, local governments will receive 21% of that funding, which is quite an increase over what they have received in the past.

Mr. Mattson asked Policy Board members to read the RTPO flyer, included in the agenda packet, for some good information on what an RTPO is and does.

SFY 2018 UPWP Unmet Needs

Mr. Mattson noted that the TAC has reviewed and recommended the list of Unmet Needs, to be included with the SFY 2018 UPWP. The Lower Valley Trail, from Union Gap to Sunnyside, will be included in the final draft.

Mr. Hodkinson moved to approve the SFY 2018 UPWP Unmet Needs list. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

*State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2018
Unified Planning Work Program
(UPWP) Interagency DRAFT*

Mr. Mattson provided a brief review of the SFY 2018 UPWP Interagency DRAFT. This document has been reviewed by the TAC, and approved at their February 9th meeting. Once submitted to WSDOT, it will be shared with FHWA and FTA.

Ms. Gonzales moved to approve the SFY 2018 UPWP Interagency Draft for submission to WSDOT. Ms. Adkison seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURN

With no other business, Mr. Hodkinson adjourned the meeting at 1:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



James A. Restucci,
YVCOG Transportation Policy Board Chair

3/20/17

Date signed

ATTEST:



Jessica Hansen, Policy Board Secretary

3/20/17

Date signed