YVCOG TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
November 14, 2016

CALL TO ORDER
Mr. Restucci, Chairman, called the November 14, 2016 meeting of the Transportation Policy Board to order at 1:31 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, Mario Martinez, Dan Olson, Maureen Adkison, Mike Leita, and, Todd Trepanier.


YVCOG staff present: Chris Wickenhagen, Deb LaCombe, and Tami Hayward.

Others present: Jan Ollivier, MPACT Chair; Logan Bahr, AWC Policy Analyst; Rhonda Hauff, Yakima Neighborhood Health Services.

*Indicates notice of absence received prior to meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Mr. Hodkinson moved to approve the October 17, 2016 Minutes. Mr. Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

2017-2019 Consolidated Grant Call for Projects – Regional Ranking Results

Jan Ollivier, MPACT Chair, reviewed the list of recommended projects and proposed ranking.

The MPACT Committee makes this recommendation to the Transportation Policy Board. Once approved by the Policy Board, it will be forwarded to DOT.

The recommended projects are ranked as A (50 points), B (25 points), or C (12 points).

People for People has two of the A-ranked projects, and Yakima Transit has the third A-ranked project. People for People and Yakima Transit also each have a B-ranked project, and Entrust has the third B-ranked project. YVCOG’s Regional Transit Feasibility Study is the only C-ranked project. There were no D-ranked projects.
Mr. Hodkinson moved to approve the 2017-2019 Consolidated Grant Call for Projects Regional Ranking list and authorize the Executive Director to send to WSDOT. Ms. Adkison seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**MPACT Guidelines – Revisited**

Jan Ollivier, MPACT Chair, explained the MPACT Guidelines to the Transportation Policy Board.

The MPACT committee makes recommendations for the HSTP contract GCB2369 funds, which are separate from those the TAC oversees. Members from either committee may be eligible for seeking funding through CMAQ funding or STBG Set-aside, but the TAC will continue to facilitate these two YVCOG processes.

The Policy Board asked that Ms. Ollivier revise the Guidelines to include a provision that if there is a question regarding any situation not addressed within the MPACT Guidelines, the MPACT committee will defer to Roberts’ Rules of Order. The quorum will consist of 45% of MPACT’s voting members.

(Mr. Leita joined the meeting)

John Hodkinson moved for approval of the MPACT Guidelines, pending revision to include the rights and responsibilities of the Chair and deferral to Roberts’ Rules in ambiguous situations. Ms. Adkison seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**STBG – Set Aside - Call for Projects**

Ms. LaCombe explained that this is the most flexible pot of money that the MPO/RTPO deals with.

The Call for Projects this year will be in the amount of $1,149,599.

There is no match for this money unless it is mixed with other federal funds.

Call for Projects is proposed to go out on November 18th. Project applications are due to YVCOG on December 12th. The maximum award per funded application is $284,000, which is one year’s worth of funding.

A subcommittee will meet and rank projects, and will apply funding to successful projects, according to raw score within the limit of the available money. That list will then come before the Policy Board for awarding during the January PB meeting provided no schedule changes need to occur.

Mr. Trepanier moved to approve authorizing the TAC to move forward with this Call for Projects. Mr. Leita seconded the motion. The motion carried.
Updates to ITS plans were requested at the end of September with a deadline of November 1, 2016. Once a project goes into this inventory, it stays there. We received one submittal this year, from People for People to add ITS equipment onto their transport vehicles if they were not purchased with such equipment. All vehicles purchased in the future will already have this kind of technology (cameras, GPS, tablets for drivers, etc.). This will be added to the YVCOG database by the end of December.

Mr. Martinez moved to approve the ITS Plan annual update. Ms. Adkison seconded. The motion carried.

Ms. LaCombe brought Yakima County’s request to reclassify the East-West Corridor from an Urban Minor Arterial (16) to an Urban Principal Arterial (14) before the Policy Board for their approval. The TAC recommended approval of this reclassification at their November 10th meeting.

Mr. Olson moved to approve reclassification recommendation to WSDOT and allow Deputy Executive Director to sign support letter. Mr. Leita seconded. The motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

None.

ADJOURN

With no other business, Mr. Restucci adjourned the meeting at 1:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Restucci,
YVCOG Transportation Policy Board Chair

Date signed

ATTEST:

Tamara Hayward, Policy Board Secretary

Date signed