

YVCOG
Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
311 N. 4th Street Conference Room, Yakima, WA 98901

MEETING MINUTES
October 10, 2019

PRESENT:

Byron Adams, City of Moxee
Cus Arteaga, City of Grandview
Joe Calhoun, City of Yakima
Lance Hoyt, City of Toppenish
Matt Pietrusiewicz, Yakima County
John Simmons, City of Zillah
Ardele Steele, City of Zillah
Greg Story, Yakima Transit
Jase Testerman, Yakima County
Rocky Wallace, City of Toppenish
Janna Lewis-Clark, Yakama Nation-Pahto Passage

Mike Meskimen, Gray & Osborne
Bill Preston, WSDOT
Deb LaCombe, HLA
Mike Meskimen, Gray & Osborne

YVCOG Staff:

Alan Adolf
Mike Shuttleworth
Jodi Smith

**CALL TO ORDER AND
INTRODUCTIONS**

TAC Chair Lance Hoyt called the October 10, 2019, meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*September 16, 2019 meeting minutes**

Cus Arteaga made a motion to approve the minutes from the September meeting. Ardele Steele seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

*Commute Trip Reduction Program Update**

Mike Shuttleworth presented. October is CTR month. Attended conference in Portland on regional mobility and trip reduction processes. Looking at different approaches to reduce trip numbers. Revise surveys to make them more useful such as, "What would make you actually participate in CTR?"
Action: Information

*STB-G (TAP) Project Eligibility Discussion**

Alan Adolf spoke about eligibility for Surface Transportation Block Grant (STB-G)/Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) applications. Process will include a Letter of Intent by end of November, then a subcommittee formed in early 2020. No matching funds requirement, but the opportunity to add matching funds may be included in the YVCOG scoring criteria. There was general agreement that historic preservation of transportation buildings be included.

Action: Motion to include full language from the 2013 Call for Projects eligibility criteria made by Ardele Steele and seconded by Jase Testerman. Motion carried.

Joint Transportation Committee (JTC) Studies

Alan Adolf
JTC's consultant will be developing a Needs Assessment. How do we move forward with this list? How do we form a list of needs? Will TAC and jurisdictions carry this forward? General discussion included:

- each jurisdiction should determine their needs
- big picture should include local access roads
- long-term focus: What is a consistent funding source? Maintenance and preservation - chip seal and minor overlays.

- Gather info and submit in early January.

East-West passenger rail viability - Consultant under contract with JTC to meet with interested parties in format yet to be determined. If passenger rail is reintroduced to region efforts needed to integrate with existing transit systems. Passenger rail will affect where Yakima Transit, Yakama Pahto transit and others place their new transit facilities.

Action: Information

2020 Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Annual Plan Update

Alan Adolf sent out an ITS update request form. The deadline is October 25, 2019. He will present this at the TAC November meeting. No requests received to date. ITS has received no jurisdictional update requests since April 2017.

2020-2045 Long Range Plan Update*

Alan Adolf stated there is still time to submit. YVCOG is accepting responses for the next few days.

NEW BUSINESS:

2020 – 2023 M/TRIP Final Document*

Alan Adolf requested TAC approval to send to Policy Board for submittal to WSDOT.

Action: Motion by Jase Testerman and seconded by Cus Arteaga for TAC Recommendation to Policy Board for Approval of 2020-2023 M/RTIP Document. The motion carried.

2020 – 2023 M/RTIP Amendment Schedule*

Alan Adolf presented the Amendment Schedule for 2020. NOTE: Friday December 20, 2019 is deadline for the January 2020 amendment. Yakima County and Yakima Transit will be submitting. Amendments have a 14-day comment period. NOTE: if you have a locally funded phase, then WSDOT can't sign NEPA until the STIP is signed.

Action: Information and discussion.

Executive Director Update

N/A.

Transportation Program Manager Update

Alan Adolf will no longer be on DRYVE or TRANS-Action executive boards as of December 31st. Nominations being accepted. Send to Bill Preston or Jan Ollivier.

Action: Information

WSDOT State & Regional Update

Bill Preston reported on Statewide Federal obligation. There were many agencies that were under obligated. Probation letter? Make sure to obligate all funds. Please share if you are NOT going to meet obligations. Also, other funds include bridge funds and TIB. For consultants, a lapse in agreement end date and supplement CE agreement invalidates funding from the end date of the original agreement.

Action: Information

Member Updates

Budget, budget, budget.

Action: Information

Next TAC Meeting:

November 14, 2019, next TAC meeting.

Other Business

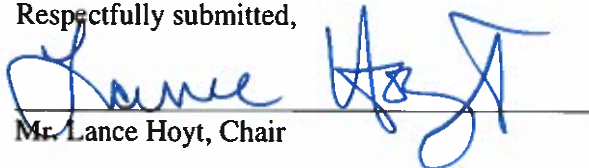
Public Comment

MRTIP is phenomenal, contains a lot of information. Great job!

Adjourn

Lance Hoyt adjourned the meeting at 10:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Mr. Lance Hoyt, Chair

Date signed: 11/14/2019

Attest:


Alan Adolf, Transportation Manager

Date signed: 11/14/2019