

YVCOG TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
May 17, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, James Restucci, called the May 17, 2021 meeting of the Transportation Policy Board to order at 1:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

ROLL CALL &  
INTRODUCTIONS

- Members present via Zoom teleconference: James Restucci, John Hodgkinson, Bill Moore, Ron Anderson, Janice Gonzales, Jon Smith, Troy Suing, and Madelyn Carlson
  - Members Absent: Brad Hill and Sherry Raymond.
  - YVCOG staff present: Chris Wickenhagen, Alan Adolf, Vicki Baker, Jodi Smith, Tami Hayward, and Shane Andreas
- Others present: Lance Hoyt – TAC Chair, City of Toppenish

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

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.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES\*

Bill Moore moved to approve the [April 19, 2021 Meeting](#). John Hodgkinson seconded. The motion carried.

TRANSPORTATION  
PROGRAM  
CORRESPONDENCE

*Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager*

- Resubmittal of [Yakama Nation RTPO Participation Invitation](#) Letter – YVCOG is beginning staff-level conversations with the Nation and will be offering a formal letter of invitation. Chairman Restucci will sign the letter.
- [WSDOT-FHWA Truck Parking Working Shop Series](#)  
June 2, 9, 16, and 23 from 1:00-3:30 p.m.  
Addressing truck parking issues, including loading/unloading on city streets, locating resting areas, etc.
- WSDOT – Public Transportation Update; tentative update of coordinated grant process list.  
[2021-2023 Consolidated Grant Funding](#) Update – four formal projects submitted. (People for People, Entrust, Yakama Nation, Yakima Transit)  
[Statewide Intercity Transit](#) “5<sup>th</sup> Route” Update –Statewide Intercity Transit Program is funded, in part, through an agreement with Greyhound and DOT.
- Federal Highway Administration MATCH Program (Mentoring, Assistance, Training & Communication Help):
  - Free technical assistance for local and tribal agencies in need of help addressing roadway safety concerns.
  - This effort is led by Federal Highways.
  - The program is also looking for mentors to help others around the state or country.

***Information***

## OLD BUSINESS

*Lance Hoyt, Chair Transportation Technical Advisory Committee*

### SFY 2022 / 2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Update

- Federal/ State review completed – April 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- TAC Recommended Adoption on May 13, 2021
- Main changes were changing from an MPO to an MPA, and extending the program from a 1-year UPWP to a 2-year UPWP

***Decision: Janice Gonzales moved to authorize the Chair to sign Resolution 2021-10 adopting the State Fiscal Years 2022 & 2023 Unified Planning Work Program and submit the SFY 2022/2023 UPWP to WSDOT. Bill Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried.***

## NEW BUSINESS

### MAY 2021 M/RTIP AMENDMENT

*Lance Hoyt, Chair Transportation Technical Advisory Committee*

- There are 3 May amendments – WSDOT additions.
- Public Comment period ended April 12, 2021.
- On May 13<sup>th</sup>, the TAC recommended forwarding to the Policy Board for adoption.

***Decision: Bill Moore moved to authorize the Chair to sign Resolution 2021-08 for Air Quality, Resolution 2021-09 for Findings, and the May 2021 TIP Amendment Checklist. Jon Smith seconded. The motion carried.***

### TAP AUGMENTATION REQUEST: TOPPENISH – WEST 1<sup>ST</sup> AVENUE SIDEWALK PROJECT

*Lance Hoyt, Chair Transportation Technical Advisory Committee*

- Toppenish was a Transportation Alternatives Program Awardee in 2016 – came in #1 in that round of projects.
- Toppenish delayed this project twice in order to allow other awardees to move up their construction.
- Put out to bid with a Safe Routes to School STBG project for economy of scale. They are short by \$27,339.75.
- The “Augmentation Letter” would approve an additional \$27,340 in TAP Funds to 2016 award to cover project shortfall.
- TAC Recommended augmentation approval on May 13, 2021.

***Decision: John Hodgkinson moved that the Policy Board authorize the Executive Director to sign TAP funding augmentation letter for Toppenish’s West 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Sidewalk Project. Janice Gonzales seconded. The motion carried.***

### WSDOT STATE & REGIONAL UPDATE

*Troy Suing, WSDOT South Central Region*

Mr. Suing provided an update on the next biennium’s budget and the current transportation budget legislation happenings in the House and Senate.

The budget has been passed, but not signed by the Governor yet.  
The new budget will keep Connecting Washington projects whole.  
Did not provide any additional preservation funding.

Kept this biennium funded. Looking toward 23-25 biennium.

***Information***

**WASHINGTON  
TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION UPDATE**

*James Restucci, WTC Member and YVCOG Chairman*

Chairman Restucci informed the Policy Board that the Washington State Transportation Commission will be meeting tomorrow and Wednesday. He will provide a briefing on that later.

***Information***

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Next Policy Board meeting will be held June 21, 2021.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**ADJOURN**

With no other business, Chairman Restucci adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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James A. Restucci  
YVCOG Transportation Policy Board Chair

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Date signed

ATTEST:

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Tamara Hayward, Financial Specialist

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Date signed