## YVCOG TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD MEETING MINUTES October 18, 2021

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, James Restucci, called the October 18, 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 Hodkinson, Janice Gonzales, Bill Moore, Ron Anderson, Sherry Raymond, Randy Giles, and Madelyn Carlson.
- Members Absent: Brad Hill, and \*Jon Smith.
- YVCOG staff present: Alan Adolf, Shane Andreas, Vicki Baker, Lynn Deitrick, Tami Hayward, Jodi Smith, Jeff Watson, and Chris Wickenhagen Others present: N/A

# 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\*

John Hodkinson moved to approve the September 20, 2021. Madelyn Carlson seconded. The motion carried.

# TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM CORRESPONDENCE

Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager

- Mr. Adolf reviewed the 2021 Safety Resolution & Cover Letter informed by DOT that because of the MPA boundary expansion to countywide, we will see a significant change in the Safety Performance Measures – starting this year we will track the rates and projections based on the entire county, which will result in a significant spike because it includes all accidents that happened throughout the county, not just inside the MPO from 2015 to 2020. It doesn't change anything.
- Regional Transit Feasibility Study Contract PTD0474 Extension The contract extension has been approved and signed by WSDOT and went into effect on October 4<sup>th</sup>. We received this money a couple of years ago, but have been delayed in being able to conduct the study. YVCOG is doing an RFQ for a consultant to conduct the study.

#### **Informational**

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Regional Traffic Count Process Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager Update

- The traffic count season ends on October 29th. Very few re-counts.
- The current IDAX contract ends on November 24th.
- IDAX will maintain their current unit prices.

<sup>\*</sup>Indicates notice of absence received prior to meeting.

- We would like to extend the contract for two years, now that we have gone to a two-year UPWP. Budgeting \$91,330 each year.
- If approved by the Policy Board, the attached <u>IDAX Contract Extension</u> will extend the contract through November of 2023.

Decision: Janice Gonzales moved to authorize YVCOG Chair to sign the YVCOG-IDAX Traffic Counter contract extension to continue traffic counting services through November 30, 2023. Ron Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### 2022-2025 M-RTIP

Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager

Review of the Metropolitan and Regional Transportation Improvement Program. This is our consolidated, multi-jurisdictional TIP that we submit to the state and feds each year.

- M/RTIP public comment period completed 10/13/2021
- 3 comments were received
- 4- year period 55 projects broad spectrum of regionally significant projects.
- \$261,393,493.00 total of secured funds
- Calculating STP, CMAQ, and STP TAP funding will remain the same over the next four years.
- The TAC has recommended approval on October 14, 2021

Decision: Janice Gonzales moved to authorize the Chairman to sign Resolutions 2021-17 (Air Quality) and 2021-18 (Findings) and adopt the 2022-2025 YVCOG M/RTIP document for submittal to WSDOT/FHWA. Sherry Raymond seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

OCTOBER 2021-2024 M/RTIP Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager AMENDMENT

- This is the final amendment of the 2021-2024 document.
- The Public Comment Period ended October 13, 2021.
- We have 4 formal amendments (Yakima County) and 1 administrative amendment (WSDOT)
- TAC recommended that the Policy Board approve this amendment at their October 14, 2021 meeting.

Decision: John Hodkinson moved to authorize the Chair to sign Resolutions 2021-15 (Air Quality), 2021-16 (Findings), and the October 2021 TIP Amendment Checklist and submit the October 2021-2024 MRTIP Amendment to WSDOT. Sherry Raymond seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## 2021 MPO SELF-CERTIFICATION

Alan Adolf, Transportation Planning Manager and Lance Hoyt, TAC Chair

This is an annual confirmation by the MPO/RTPO certifying that we will follow the state and federal guidelines as to the funding sources we have, how we report our activities, engage the public, etc.

This document stays with YVCOG – only the signature page (already signed by Cliff Hall this year) is sent off the DOT each year.

Bill Moore moved to authorize YVCOG Chair to sign Self-Certification and authorization and submit to WSDOT-HQ. Sherry Raymond seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## TITLE VI ANNUAL REPORT

Alan Adolf, Transportation Planning Manager and Lance Hoyt, TAC Chair

The Title VI Annual Report is the last major report of the year.

Last year we changed our submittal date from February to October so the report corresponds with the federal fiscal year.

This report ensures we have followed Title VI requirements over the last year.

Decision: Janice Gonzales moved to authorize the Executive Director to sign the <u>2021 Title VI Policy Statement</u> and that the Policy Board adopt the 2021 Title VI Annual Report for submittal to WSDOT. Ron Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

# STREETLIGHT DATA, INC. SUBSCRIPTION

Alan Adolf, Transportation Planning Manager

- Streetlight is primarily a cellular-based data collection organization, which uses a variety of apps, giving the ability to do origin and destination studies.
- DOT used this for various statewide data collecting activities a few years ago.
- Will assist with traffic model by giving us the opportunity to see how people move. Almost real-time data.
- Planning, at this time, to use in years we do a model update.
- We will be brainstorming with jurisdictions to determine needs data they can use when applying for grants or seeking funding through our legislators.
- 1-year subscription \$63,897.00 (all inclusive access to all data for the entire time the subscription is active)
- We have a contract in place, which has been reviewed and approved by DOT and YVCOG's attorney, Jamie Carmody.
- Subscription will by paid with STP funding.
- End User License Agreement

John Hodkinson moved to authorize the Chair to sign the YVCOG/Streetlight Data, Inc. subscription contract for one year. Bill Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

# WSDOT STATE & REGIONAL Randy Giles, WSDOT South Central Region UPDATE

Mr. Giles provided an update on current happenings in the South Central Region –

- Uncertain times for WSDOT.
- Largest bi-annual budget ever (\$8 billion dollars), but not sure what revenue will look like in 21-23.
- Struggling with work force departing employees will impact our ability to deliver services.
- Will be prioritizing our workload, as we recruit and try to fill vacant positions.
- Have been able to do some local preservation work.
- Hoping to begin work on I-90 project on Snoqualmie Pass soon, along with designing I-82 improvements.

### **Information**

WASHINGTON TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION UPDATE James Restucci, WTC Member and YVCOG Chairman

- The Commission will be holding meetings from 9:00 to 5:00 tomorrow, and from 9:00 to 1:00 on Wednesday.
- Hosting a work session on the future of logistics.
- Great speakers exploring how technology is being leveraged for a clean efficient future.
- Topics include: Trucking and Rail Automation what's happening on the ground and in the cloud; Advanced Air Mobility; Perspectives on Agricultural Automation, etc.
- Voting on its 2022 schedule Union Gap will be scheduled for April.

## Information and Discussion

OTHER BUSINESS

Next Policy Board meeting will be held November 15, 2021.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

**ADJOURN** 

With no other business, Chairman Restucci adjourned the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Restucci

YVCOG Transportation Policy Board Chair

ATTEST:

Tamara Hayward, Financial Specialist

Date signed

12/28/21 Data signed