

YVCOG TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
February 26, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, Jim Restucci, called the February 26, 2024, meeting of the Transportation Policy Board to order at 1:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

ROLL CALL &
INTRODUCTIONS

- Members present: James Restucci, John Hodkinson, Roger Bell, Patricia Byers, Madelyn Carlson (Z), Julia Hart (T), LaDon Linde, Bill Moore, Sherry Raymond, and Jon Smith (T)
- Members Absent: Janice Gonzales
- YVCOG staff present: Alan Adolf, Shane Andreas, Vicki Baker, Byron Gumz, Alma Rabadan, Angelica Saldivar, Jodi Smith, and Chris Wickenhagen.

Others present: Rocky Wallace and Raquel Crowley

**Indicates notice of absence received prior to meeting.
(Z) Attended via Zoom*

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.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were approved under the Consent Agenda:

- January 17, 2024, Minutes
- Approval of the February Amendment to the 2024-2027 M/RTIP

Decision: *John Hodkinson moved to approve the Consent Agenda items. Sherry Raymond seconded. The motion carried.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND
CORRESPONDENCE

Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager

Mr. Adolf provided an update on the 2024-2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan. Can make comments until March 7th.

Rocky Wallace (Selah) has filled the vacant TAC Chair position, with Ardele Steele (Zillah) serving as Vice Chair.

Federal Funding Programs update – still no news on 2024 funding levels. Have heard that our numbers should be about the same as in past years.

The Greenway has hired a new Executive Director, which will be announced in a couple of months, replacing Kelly Connaughton as she retires.

Information

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Rocky Wallace, Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Chair

None.

NEW BUSINESS

STBG Call for Projects

Rocky Wallace, Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Chair

The Subcommittee and sub-Subcommittee have met and we will be having an STBG Call for Projects. Two options – Preservation (grind and overlay or chip seal, \$1 million and under) and New/Reconstruct projects up to about \$5 million (depending on our allocations). Our goal was to stay fiscally constrained and to do some under-\$1 million projects. Will confirm whether or not crack seal will qualify for preservation projects. No match should be required because we are still able to use toll credits.

Working on policies to determine when jurisdictions need to notify YVCOG whether or not they will be able to move forward on projects.

Call for Projects should be announced this week and applications will be due April 26th and TAC will review in early May and present prioritized list to Policy Board in May.

Decision: *Sherry Raymond moved to authorize Executive Director announce and administer 2024 STBG Grant Program Call for Projects process. Patricia Byers seconded. The motion carried.*

WSDOT STATE & REGIONAL UPDATE

Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager

- Mr. Adolf announced that the TAC is losing both Paul Gonseth and Randy Giles as they have been promoted to Assistant Regional Administrator positions. Paul will be moving into Construction and Randy is moving into Engineering. We don't know who our new rep will be. A lot of change going on in the high levels of WSDOT.

Information

WA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION UPDATE

James Restucci, WRC Representative

Reviewing supplemental budgets.

Information

OTHER BUSINESS

Next Policy Board meeting will be held March 18, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURN

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

Respectfully submitted,

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YVCOG Transportation Policy Board Chair/Vice Chair

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Date signed

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Tamara Hayward, Financial Specialist