

**MINUTES
OF THE
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
Thursday, December 12, 2019 10:00 a.m.
Council Chambers
City/School Administration Center
Rapid City, South Dakota**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sara Odden – Rapid City Public Works Department, Patsy Horton – Rapid City Department of Community Development, Kip Harrington – Rapid City Department of Community Development, Sarah Gilkerson – South Dakota Department of Transportation, Ted Johnson – Rapid City Public Works Department, Lt. Cathy Bock – Rapid City Police Department, Vicki Fisher – Rapid City Department of Community Development, Megan Gould – Rapid Transit Manager, Lonnie Harmon – City of Summerset City Administrator, Bill Rich – Meade County Planning and Equalization Department, Rhea Crane – Meade County Planning and Equalization Department, Bob Kaufman – City of Box Elder Public Works Department and Steve Frooman – City of Rapid City Traffic Engineer

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lt. Mark Hughes – Pennington County Sheriff’s Department, Scott Tegethoff – Meade County Highway, Chief Deputy Brian Mueller – Pennington County Sheriff’s Office, Brett Burditt – Meade County School District, PJ Conover – Pennington County Planning Department, Doug Curry – Rapid City Regional Airport, Chief Jason Dubbs – City of Box Elder Police Department, Lisa Donner – SD Department of Transportation, Blaise Emerson – City of Box Elder Planning Department, Jack Dokken – South Dakota Department of Transportation, Ron Merwin – Meade County Sheriff’s Department, Lincoln Shuck – Meade County Highway, Joseph Miller – Pennington County Highway Department, Stacy Bartlett – South Dakota Department of Transportation, Sgt. Wayne Asscherick – Rapid City Police Department, Bill Welk – Pennington County Highway Department, Dennis Berg – Rapid City School District, and Bob Eben – Ellsworth Air Force Base and Mayor Steve Heilman – City of Piedmont

OTHERS PRESENT: Melissa Bloomberg and Kelly Brennan– Rapid City Department of Community Development and Jerry Ortbahn – South Dakota Department of Transportation

Chairperson Horton called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Ortbahn introduced Sarah Gilkerson from South Dakota Department of Transportation.

General Public Comment

Harrington relayed the public comment from the Citizens Advisory Committee in regards to Sixth and Omaha Study and the concern of the underpass due to expense and flooding potential.

Business

Fisher moved, Frooman seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the September 12, 2019 meeting.

19TP030 – Acknowledge the 2020 Transportation Products and Due Dates. Harrington reviewed the 2020 Transportation Products and Due Dates which provides product dates as a workflow guideline for year 2020.

Harmon moved, Kaufman seconded and motion carried unanimously to acknowledge the 2020 Transportation Products and Due Dates.

19TP032 – Adopt the 2020 SDDOT Safety Performance Measures Resolution. Harrington reviewed 2020 SDDOT safety Performance Measures Resolution. Performance based transportation planning became a requirement with the adoption of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) highway funding bill in 2012, and the requirement was carried over into the current bill, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act), approved in 2015. In response to the requirement, the South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT) has developed a system of performance measures. In April 2018, the MPO opted to support the performance measures established by SDDOT. Each year, the MPO must notify the SDDOT whether the MPO chooses to establish its own performance measures or to support those established by SDDOT. The attached resolution endorses the SDDOT 2020 Safety Performance Measures targets. Discussion ensued.

Kaufman moved, Harmon seconded and motion carried unanimously to adopt the 2020 SDDOT Safety Performance Measures Resolution.

19TP033 – Approve the Public Participation Plan – Draft Report. Harrington reviewed the Public Participation Plan Draft Report which defines the process to be followed in developing transportation planning documents for the region. This report identifies the actions to be carried out to ensure opportunities exist for the public to be involved in transportation planning activities and also established policies to follow as required in the current federal transportation act, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST ACT).

Fisher moved, Kaufman seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Public Participation Plan – Draft Report.

19TP034 – Approve the Metropolitan Transportation Plan & Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Update Public Participation Plan Worksheet. Public participation is critical to the RapidTRIP 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Update, in order to generate ideas and build support by engaging residents, businesses, elected officials, and other stakeholders throughout the community. Input from the public provides the broadest spectrum of relevant, available information prior to the community's decision making, and gives the public an opportunity to raise concerns that can be considered with discussion of technical, political, and economic issues. The Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization welcomes the early and continued participation of the public in developing policies and plans. Harrington reviewed this Plan Worksheet.

Rich moved, Ortbahn seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Metropolitan Transportation Plan & Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Update Public Participation Plan Worksheet.

19TP036 – Approve the Letter of Support for the City of Rapid City to secure the Mitchell to Rapid City railbanked railroad right-of-way between Rapid City and Kadoka. The City of Rapid City has submitted a purchase proposal for the state-owned Mitchell to Rapid City railbanked property. A successful proposal will ensure public ownership of this railbanked property to create another rail-to-trail conversion, similar to what the State accomplished with the George S. Mickelson Trail. If successful, city staff will work with numerous public and private agencies to secure funding to create the Mako Sica Trail, another “hall of fame” rail-trail. This action provides support to the City to coordinate with local, regional and national entities to create multi-modal non-motorized opportunities within and east of Rapid City. Horton provided information on the support letter.

Fisher moved, Frooman seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Letter of Support for the City of Rapid City to secure the Mitchell to Rapid City railbanked railroad right-of-way between Rapid City and Kadoka.

19TP037 – 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #20-001A (Information Only). Brennan reviewed the 2020-2023 TIP Amendment #20-001A. This informational item identifies South Dakota Department of Transportation’s proposed item #0.13 SA 3271(00) in the Miscellaneous category of the Transportation Improvement Program. This item accounts for State construction dollars used for the yearly statewide archaeological research exploration project. There are no federal funds impacted.

No action was taken on this item.

19TP038 – Approve the 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #20-001. Brennan reviewed the 2020-2023 TIP Amendment #20-001. The South Dakota Department of Transportation has identified changes to the railroad crossing improvement, roadway safety improvement, and pavement preservation projects to be programmed with funding available in fiscal years 2020 to 2023.

Crane moved, Rich seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) #20-001.

Update on Construction Projects

Gilkerson provided information on the current construction projects within the MPO area. Odden and Kaufman provided additional updates.

Election of Officers

Horton opened the nominations for Chair and Vice Chair.

Fisher moved, Kaufman seconded and motion carried unanimously to elect Horton as Chair and Harrington as Vice Chair.

Update on Planning Projects

Harrington and Brennan provided information on the current planning projects within the MPO area.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.