

**MINUTES
OF THE
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
Thursday, October 14, 2021 10:00 a.m.
Zoom Teleconference/Community Room
Rapid City, South Dakota**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kip Harrington and Kelly Brennan – Rapid City Department of Community Development, Sarah Gilkerson – South Dakota Department of Transportation, Kailey Selby – Pennington County Highway Department, Steve Frooman, Ben Ganje and Sara Odden – Rapid City Public Works Department, Chris Deitz – Rapid City Regional Airport and Monte Meier and Jack Dokken – SD Department of Transportation

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bill Rich – Meade County Planning and Equalization Department, Megan Gould – Rapid Transit Manager, Ryan Phillips – Rapid City Police Department, Karl Bauer – Rapid City Department of Community Development, Ron Merwin – Meade County Sheriff’s Department, Dale Pfeifle – Rapid City Public Works Department, Stacy Bartlett – South Dakota Department of Transportation, Kumar Veluswamy – Rapid City School District, Brian Mueller – Pennington County Sheriff’s Office, Brett Burditt – Meade County School District, Britney Molitor – Pennington County Planning Department, Jason Dubbs – City of Box Elder Police Department, Doug Curry – City of Box Elder Public Works Department, Mayor Melanie Torno – City of Summerset, Bob Eben – Ellsworth Air Force Base, Scott Tegethoff – Meade County Highway, Michelle Clavadetscher – City of Box Elder Planning Department, Mayor Phil Anderson – City of Piedmont and Kevin Case – Douglas School District

OTHERS PRESENT: Melissa Karpo – Rapid City Department of Community Development

Chairman Harrington called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting quorum was not met.

General Public Comment

No General Public Comment.

Business

21TP022 – Approve the 2022 Unified Planning Work Program – Final Report.

Harrington reviewed the 2022 UPWP – Draft Report which includes the annual activities, planning studies, and products to be developed by the Metropolitan Planning Organization for 2022. The Unified Planning Work Program also identifies funding and staffing for conducting these tasks.

There was no action taken on this item.

21TP023 – Approve the Greater Northwest Passenger Rail Working Group Letter of Support. The Greater Northwest Passenger Rail is an organization focused on bringing passenger rail service to the northwest portion of the country, an area which is lacking in

rail connections. Additional options for transportation modes will enhance tourism, manufacturing, and other aspects of our growing economy. Harrington reviewed this letter of support. Discussion ensued.

There was no action taken on this item.

21TP024 – Approve the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplement Apportionment Act (CRRSA) and American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) Funding Recommendations.

The CRRSAA/ARP Grant Assistance program is intended to enhance mobility of seniors and individuals with disabilities. Eligible assistance activities are payroll, operating costs, and capital costs for purchase of personal protection equipment. Two organizations submitted applications for review. The scoring committee, which is composed of Rapid City Staff and a MPO representative, recommends granting \$18,820 to Black Hills Works for three full time driver salaries representing 1255 total hours. The scoring committee also recommends granting Prairie Hills Transit \$23,345 for a part time driver and administrator salaries. These funds will help to assist in eliminating transportation gaps identified in the Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan. Brennan reviewed these recommendations.

There was no action taken on this item.

21TP025 – Acknowledge the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #22-001A.

Harrington reviewed this amendment which adds a State Highway System Urban Project to convert the US Highway 16 and Fort Hayes Drive intersection from a full access intersection into a right-in/right-out intersection to increase operational safety.

There was no action taken on this item.

Update on Construction Projects

Gilkerson provided information on the current construction projects within the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization area. Odden provided information on Rapid City's construction projects.

Update on Planning Projects

Brennan and Harrington provided information on the current planning projects within the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization area.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.