

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
OCTOBER 20, 2008
CALDWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT
110 S. 5TH AVENUE, CALDWELL, IDAHO



COMPASS
 COMMUNITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION
 of Southwest Idaho

****MINUTES****

- ATTENDEES:**
- Rebecca Arnold, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District,
Ex officio
 - Phil Bandy, Mayor, City of Eagle
 - Matt Beebe, Commissioner, Canyon County
 - Dave Bieter, Mayor, City of Boise
 - Keith Bird, Councilman, City of Meridian
 - Dave Bivens, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District
 - Elaine Clegg, Councilwoman, City of Boise
 - Tom Dale, Mayor, City of Nampa
 - Russell Duke, Central District Health, Ex officio
 - John Evans, Mayor, City of Garden City
 - Kelli Fairless, Valley Regional Transit
 - David Ferdinand, Commissioner, Canyon County,
Secretary/Treasurer
 - John Franden, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District,
Chair
 - Dave Jones, Idaho Transportation Department
 - James Maguire, Boise State University
 - Carol McKee, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District
 - Bryce Millar, Commissioner, Nampa Highway District #1
 - Garret Nancolas, Mayor, City of Caldwell, **Chair-Elect**
 - Patricia Nilsson for Vernon Bisterfeldt, City of Boise
 - Brent Orton for Jim Blacker, Councilman, City of Caldwell
 - Steven Rule, Commissioner, Canyon County
 - Jerome Scroggins, Commissioner, Canyon Highway District #4
 - Matt Stoll, Executive Director, Community Planning
Association, Ex officio
 - Martin Thorne, Councilman, City of Nampa
 - Vicki Thurber, Mayor, City of Middleton
 - Mike Vuittonet, Trustee, Joint School District #2
 - Pete Wagner, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
 - Paul Woods, Commissioner, Ada County
- MEMBERS ABSENT:**
- Tammy de Weerd, Mayor, City of Meridian
 - Scott Dowdy, Mayor, City of Kuna
 - Clete Edmunson, Governor's Office, Ex officio
 - Anne Horn, Mayor, City of Notus
 - Phil Kushlan, Capital City Development Corporation
 - Nathan Mitchell, Mayor, City of Star
 - Patrick Rice, Greater Boise Auditorium District, Ex officio
 - Fred Tilman, Commissioner, Ada County
 - Margaret Watson, Mayor, City of Parma
 - Rick Yzaguirre, Commissioner, Ada County

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OTHERS:

Ross Borden, City of Boise
Nancy Brecks, Community Planning Association
Senator Hal Bunderson (ret.)
Ken Burgess, Veritas Advisors
Nathan Dale, Community Planning Association
Matt Ellsworth, City of Meridian
Sally Goodell, Ada County Highway District
Don Matson, Community Planning Association
Craig Quintana, Ada County Highway District
Eric Shannon, Toothman-Orton Engineering
Toni Tisdale, Community Planning Association
Charles Trainor, Community Planning Association
Jeanne Urlezaga, Community Planning Association

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Franden called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES

Matt Stoll noted that Agenda Item IV-C had errors in the packet item and passed out corrected copies. He also reminded the Board of the November 13, 2008, transportation conference, Making Connections: a conference on transportation funding, land use and politics co-sponsored by COMPASS and BSU.

OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENT

Vicki Thurber noted that her husband is recovering from his accident and is home now.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. *Approve September 15, 2008, Board Meeting Minutes***
- B. *Receive Approved August 19, 2008, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes***

Carol McKee moved and Mike Vuittonet seconded approval of the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. *Adopt Resolution 01-2009 Endorsing ACHD's Local Option Registration Fee Renewal***

Commissioner Carol McKee introduced Senator Bunderson (ret), Chairman of the Ada County Citizens for Better Transportation. Senator Bunderson sought the Board's adoption of Resolution 01-2009 endorsing the renewal of Ada County Highway District's registration fee renewal as presented on this year's general election ballot.

After discussion, ***Garret Nancolas moved and Carol McKee seconded adoption of Resolution 01-2009 endorsing ACHD's local option registration fee renewal with a change to the language to the eighth "Whereas" to read: "Whereas, the resulting \$8 million in revenue will be used to fight congestion through improvements such as enhanced signal timing...." Motion passed unanimously.***

B. FY2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (mirroring)

Toni Tisdale presented the final changes to the FY2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program necessary to mirror the statewide program. She noted that Key Number 11501, Nampa Ronald Reagan Elementary SR2S- FY2008, will be removed as it was funded.

After discussion, *John Evans moved and Carol McKee seconded approval of the FY2009-2013 Transportation Improvement Program as presented with Key Number 11501 being removed. Motion passed unanimously.*

Dave Jones provided a brief GARVEE update. He stated the Idaho Transportation Department is in a holding pattern until the economy stabilizes before selling more bonds, which have already been authorized by the legislature. Elaine Clegg requested a GARVEE update of the entire program be included on an upcoming Board agenda. Matt stated he would coordinate that with Dave Jones.

C. Approve Transportation Impact Study Recommended Practices

Charles Trainor presented the Transportation Impact Study recommended practices, which if approved will be transmitted to local agencies to review for their adoption. He stated the three key needs to improve the quality of transportation impact studies are:

- Better definition of the area of influence and the agencies that should be part of the TIS process from the beginning.
- Establishment of a scope of work as a "contract" with the consultant before any TIS commences.
- Implementation of a cumulative development that would better address the potential effects of growth on the transportation system.

Garret Nancolas asked if the underlying assumption was that land use impacts traffic or that traffic impacts land use. Charles replied the assumption is that the proposed land use affect the transportation system.

Patricia Nilsson asked what the next steps would be for the Ada County land use agencies working with Ada County Highway District. Sally Goodell replied that Ada County Highway District staff is starting to look at an update to the requirements for the Transportation Impact Study.

After further discussion, Matt Stoll stated staff will work with the Regional Technical Advisory Committee (RTAC) to develop a process to bring back to the Board on how we can better transmit this information to get buy-in from the member agencies.

After discussion, *Carol McKee moved and Tom Dale seconded approval of the Transportation Impact Study Recommended Practices as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

D. Executive Session – Personnel Matter [Idaho Code 67-2345(b)]

Tom Dale moved and Dave Bivens seconded convening into Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 (b) at 2:40 p.m.

Matt Stoll called roll. The following Board members were present and voted in the affirmative to move into Executive Session: Phil Bandy, Matt Beebe, David Bieter, Keith Bird, Dave Bivens, Elaine Clegg, Tom Dale, John Evans, Kelli Fairless, David Ferdinand, John Franden, Dave Jones, James Maguire, Carol McKee, Bryce Millar, Garret Nancolas, Patricia Nilsson for Vern Bisterfeldt, Brent Orton for Jim Blacker, Steve Rule, Jerome Scroggins, Martin Thorne, Vicki Thurber, Mike Vuittonet, Pete Wagner, and Paul Woods. There were no nay votes.

Off record at 2:43 pm.

Tom Dale moved and Garret Nancolas seconded to adjourn back into regular session at 3:06 p.m. No action was taken in executive session, the Board discussed personnel issues pursuant to Idaho code 67-2345 (b).

Tom Dale moved and Carol McKee seconded confirmation of the Executive Committee's recommendation of a 4% salary increase for COMPASS Executive Director Matt Stoll. Motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Review Transportation Financial Data Report

Charles Trainor provided a review of the Financial Data Report compiled from information provided by regional transportation agencies. The report is consistent with the objectives of Communities in Motion.

Staff will continue to expand and refine the information, which is intended to help citizens understand funding issues related to transportation and prioritization of projects, as well as, educating elected officials and citizens about the financial needs of transportation in the region.

B. Status Report – Chinden/Linder Intersection

Don Matson presented a status report on the Chinden/Linder Intersection as follow up from the September 15, 2008, Board meeting and Ada County Highway District's request that staff consider the conditions along US 20/26 and some of the corridors in general where there are some limits on the ability to implement corridor planning and right-of-way acquisition ahead of development. Don said there were three questions from the Ada County Highway District:

- Should the draft access management policies that are under development be implemented now for the two corridors, specifically US 20/26?
- Should right-of-way be preserved now for larger footprints for overpasses and interchanges?
- If the state highway corridor system cannot be relied on to handle all the traffic, should plans be amended now to start planning for the traffic to go on the arterial streets, i.e., McMillan, which is parallel to US 20/26?

He said that at this time there is not a specific recommendation, but possibilities have been discussed.

Matt Stoll reported that Clete Edmunson, the Governor's transportation advisor, notified Idaho Transportation Department Director Pam Lowe that Governor Otter 's office has "red lighted" the Transportation Access Plan (TAP) legislation that was introduced last year meaning it cannot go forward because the Governor does not support it at this time. Clete requested letters from COMPASS, the Idaho Transportation Department, the Association of Highway Districts, and the Idaho Association of Cities about why it was imperative for the TAP legislation to be "green lighted" and introduced in the upcoming session. Matt distributed a copy of the letter that he sent on behalf of COMPASS to Director Lowe to be forwarded to the Governor's office. Matt will follow up with Clete to see if the legislation has now been "green lighted." If it is "green lighted" and intended to be introduced, the Idaho Transportation Board may consider an emergency rule making on access management to allow for the Idaho Transportation Department to engage in mutual partnerships with local land use agencies to move forward on access management that would hopefully withstand litigation.

Matt noted that the US 20/26 Corridor access management plan will be presented to the Board for information at the November 2008 Board meeting and for action at the December 2008 Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

David Ferdinand moved and Carol McKee seconded adjournment at 3:30 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Dated this 17th day of November 2008.

APPROVED:

BY: _____
John Franden, Chair
Community Planning Association

ATTEST:

BY: _____
Matthew J. Stoll, Executive Director
Community Planning Association