

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**FEBRUARY 23, 2009****MERIDIAN CITY HALL****33 E. BROADWAY AVENUE, MERIDIAN, IDAHO**

COMPASS
 COMMUNITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION
 of Southwest Idaho

****MINUTES******ATTENDEES:**

Kathy Alder, Commissioner, Canyon County
 Phil Bandy, Mayor, City of Eagle
 Keith Bird, Councilman, City of Meridian
 Elaine Clegg, Councilwoman, City of Boise
 Tom Dale, Mayor, City of Nampa
 Tammy de Weerd, Mayor, City of Meridian
 John Evans, Mayor, City of Garden City
 Kelli Fairless, Valley Regional Transit
 David Ferdinand, Commissioner, Canyon County, **Vice Chair**
 Sherry Huber, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District
 Dave Jones, Idaho Transportation Department
 Kathleen Lacey for Vernon Bisterfeldt, Councilman, City of
 Boise
 Carol McKee, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District
Secretary/Treasurer
 Bryce Millar, Commissioner, Nampa Highway District #1
 Nathan Mitchell, Mayor, City of Star
 Garret Nancolas, Mayor, City of Caldwell, **Chair**
 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
 Fred Tilman, Commissioner, Ada County
 Sharon Ullman, Commissioner, Ada County
 Pete Wagner, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
 Rick Yzaguirre, Commissioner, Ada County

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Rebecca Arnold, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District
 Dave Bieter, Mayor, City of Boise, **Chair-Elect**
 Scott Dowdy, Mayor, City of Kuna
 Russell Duke, Central District Health, Ex officio
 Clete Edmunson, Governor's Office, Ex officio
 Anne Horn, Mayor, City of Notus
 Phil Kushlan, Capital City Development Corporation
 James Maguire, Boise State University
 Derick O'Neill, Independent School District of Boise
 Patrick Rice, Greater Boise Auditorium District, Ex officio
 Mike Vuittonet, Trustee, Joint School District #2
 Margaret Watson, Mayor, City of Parma

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OTHERS: Nancy Brecks, Community Planning Association
Ken Burgess, Veritas Advisors
Stuart Davis, Idaho Association of Highway Districts
Pierson Dewit, Parametrix
Sally Goodell, Ada County Highway District
Larry Hoffman, HDR Engineering
Caleb Hood, City of Meridian
Liisa Itkonen, Community Planning Association
Amy Luft, Community Planning Association
David Luft, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
Don Matson, Community Planning Association
Carl Miller, Community Planning Association
Toni Tisdale, Community Planning Association
Charles Trainor, Community Planning Association
Ray Stark, Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce
Jeanne Urlezaga, Community Planning Association

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nancolas called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES

Carol McKee moved and Rick Yzaguirre seconded approval of the Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENT

Dave Jones announced that the Idaho Transportation Board will hold a special meeting on March 3, 2009.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve January 26, 2009, Board Meeting Minutes***
- B. Receive Approved December 16, 2008, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes***
- C. Receive Approved January 9, 16, 23, 30, 2009, Special Executive Committee Meeting Minutes***
- D. Receive Approved November 20, 2008, Finance Committee Meeting Minutes***

Tom Dale moved and David Ferdinand seconded approval of the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approve Functional Classification Amendments***

Toni Tisdale outlined the City of Caldwell's request to reclassify Specht Avenue and Commercial Way in Caldwell from "local roads" to "urban collectors" on the 2015 Federal Functional Classification Map. Without this reclassification, Phase four of Stage three of the Exit 29 project will not be eligible for federal aid. The Regional Technical Advisory Committee recommended Board approval of this action. No comments were received during the public comment period.

After discussion, ***John Evans moved and Tom Dale seconded approval of the amendment to the Functional Classification Map as presented. Motion passed unanimously.***

B. Approve 2009 Population Estimates

Carl Miller presented the 2009 population estimates, which are based on 2000-2008 building permit data collected by COMPASS. Both Ada and Canyon County permits are the lowest since COMPASS started tracking permits. The Demographic Advisory Committee reviewed the estimates on January 15, 2009, and recommended COMPASS Board approval.

After discussion, ***Fred Tilman moved and Steve Rule seconded approval of the 2009 Population Estimates as presented.***

Discussion:

There were some questions about recent foreclosures and effects on population. Elaine Clegg noted for the record that these estimates may not be as accurate as we would like, but they are based on the best information that we have available.

Motion passed unanimously.

C. Adopt Resolution 04-2009 Amending the FY2009-2013 Regional Transportation Improvement Program

Toni Tisdale presented Resolution 04-2009 Amending the FY2009-2013 Regional Transportation Improvement Program. The Regional Technical Advisory Committee recommended Board approval of the amendment. Toni noted that these projects will be added to the Transportation Improvement Program as "illustrative only," meaning that they anticipate a funding source, but funding is not certain. Once in the Transportation Improvement Program, projects can be modified and added to a funding list, as appropriate, through an Administrative Modification. Toni said a public comment period was open between February 2 and 16, 2009, no comments were received.

After discussion, ***Elaine Clegg moved and Sherry Huber seconded adoption of Resolution 04-2009 amending the FY2009-2013 Regional Transportation Improvement Program with a correction of a typo on page 39, NEW25, 36th Street Bike/Pedestrian Bridge, Garden City, the cost should be "\$600,000" not "\$6,000,000."*** Motion passed unanimously.

Matt asked for a position from the Board on a discussion that may take place at the Idaho Transportation Board meeting on March 3, 2009. There is a potential that ITD will not have enough funding to cover the six projects the IT Board identified for the statewide system without cutting into the TMA, Urban or Rural programs. The Idaho Transportation Board may look at trying to apply the Transportation Management Area stimulus allotment of \$11 million towards the Vista Interchange, which would significantly reduce the availability of funds for local projects in Ada County.

Matt noted that traditionally TMA funds have not been used for state projects. They have been used solely for local projects. The project priority list just approved, more than adequately consumes the \$11 million. The COMPASS Board has the discretion to spend the money on state or local facilities and cannot be overridden by the IT Board.

After discussion, ***Fred Tilman moved and Sherry Huber seconded authorizing the COMPASS Executive Committee at its special meeting on February 27, 2009, to review projects and make a recommendation on behalf of the full COMPASS Board.***

Discussion:

Elaine Clegg asked when the full Board would sign off on any decisions the Executive Committee makes. Matt replied that can be done at the March 16, 2009, Board meeting. Matt noted that it would not look favorable if the Board were to reverse the Executive Committee's recommendations. The Board must maintain its course of action.

The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Status Report – Financial Needs Study Report

Stuart Davis, Idaho Association of Highway Districts Executive Director, provided an overview of the Financial Needs Study Report and an analysis of Idaho's share of the transportation stimulus package.

B. Status Report – Finance Committee

Phil Bandy, Finance Committee Chair, recapped the action taken by the Finance Committee at its February 19, 2009, meeting.

- Phil Bandy was elected Chair and Rebecca Arnold Vice-Chair.
- The Committee approved the October 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008, Variance Report.
- Staff presented several options for FY2010 membership dues and discussed revenue shortfalls for both FY2010 and 2011.
- Staff was directed to present to the full Board on March 16, 2009, FY2010 membership dues based on the current FY2009 levels, and to prepare for Finance Committee review three scenarios, best case; expected case; and worst case for FY2010/2011 membership dues.

C. Review Communities in Motion Update

Charles Trainor presented a review of the ***Communities in Motion*** update process and schedule. The update needs to be adopted no later than August 2010. Charles noted that the fundamental concept of the update is a focus on refinement to the existing plan. The financial analysis will be a major element and more emphasis will be put on system maintenance and efficiency.

Matt stated staff is recommending a bare bones update to stay within the budget of \$95,000 for direct expenses.

D. Review New Projects and Prioritization for the FY2010-2014 Regional Transportation Improvement Program

Toni Tisdale reviewed new projects and prioritization for the FY2010-2014 Regional Transportation Improvement Program and presented project applications and prioritization, which RTAC approved in January 2009. Staff will bring the projects back to the Board for approval in March 2009.

E. Status Report – Legislative Update

Ken Burgess provided a legislative status report on state and federal legislative issues.

Ken noted that on Thursday, February 26, 2009, at 1:30 pm the Governor's bill on a fuel tax increase will be introduced. Garret will attend on behalf of COMPASS to testify in support of the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Martin Thorne moved and Carol McKee seconded adjournment at 3:25 p.m.

Dated this 16th day of March 2009.

APPROVED:

*BY: _____
Garret Nancolas, Chair
Community Planning Association*

ATTEST:

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

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