



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
DECEMBER 16, 2008
COMPASS CONFERENCE ROOM**

****MINUTES****

ATTENDEES: Tom Dale, Mayor, City of Nampa
Tammy de Weerd, Mayor, City of Meridian
David Ferdinand, Commissioner, Canyon County,
Secretary/Treasurer
John Franden, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District,
Chair
Nate Mitchell, Mayor, City of Star
Garret Nancolas, Mayor, City of Caldwell, **Chair Elect**
Matt Stoll, Executive Director, Community Planning
Association, Ex officio
Fred Tilman, Commissioner, Ada County

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dave Bieter, Mayor, City of Boise, **Vice Chair**
Vicki Thurber, Mayor, City of Middleton

OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Brecks, Community Planning Association
Ken Burgess, Veritas Advisors
Kelli Fairless, Valley Regional Transit
Amy Luft, Community Planning Association
Jeanne Urlezaga, Community Planning Association

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Elect Nancolas called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES

Matt Stoll requested to add under Information/Discussion Items, Item V-C, COMPASS' Role in Lobbying; and Item V-D, Stimulus Package Advocacy.

Tom Dale moved and David Ferdinand seconded to amend the Agenda as requested. Motion passed unanimously.

OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve November 18, 2008, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

David Ferdinand moved and Tammy de Weerd seconded approval of the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Establish January 26, 2009, COMPASS Board Agenda

Matt Stoll presented staff proposed Agenda Items 1-20 for the January 26, 2009, COMPASS Board meeting. After discussion, Matt asked to remove Agenda Item 16 from the January 26, 2009, Agenda.

After discussion, *Tammy de Weerd moved and Fred Tilman seconded approval of the January 26, 2009, Agenda Items 1-15 and 17-20, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

B. Recommend Board Officer Slate for Annual Meeting

Matt Stoll reviewed the nominations he has received from Board members for the Secretary/Treasurer Board officer position. He stated nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the January 26, 2009, Board meeting.

After discussion, *Tom Dale moved and Fred Tilman seconded to recommend Board confirmation of Carol McKee for the Secretary/Treasurer position. Motion passed unanimously.*

Fred Tilman moved and Tammy de Weerd seconded the following slate of COMPASS Board officers be recommended for Board confirmation at the January 2009 meeting: Garret Nancolas, Chair; Dave Bieter, Chair Elect; and David Ferdinand, Vice Chair. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Approve Standard Date and Time for Weekly Meeting during 2009 Idaho Legislative Session

Matt Stoll recommended that during the 2009 Legislative Session the Executive Committee meet each Friday at COMPASS at 10:00 a.m. Members may attend in person or via a conference call. The meetings will be held at COMPASS.

After discussion, *Fred Tilman moved and Tammy de Weerd seconded that during the 2009 Legislative Session, the Executive Committee will meet on Fridays at COMPASS at 10:00 a.m., starting on Friday, January 9, 2009. Motion passed unanimously.*

D. Approve Legislative Reception Date

Matt Stoll stated that February 19, 2009 or March 5, 2009, appears to be the best dates for the 2009 COMPASS Legislative Reception.

After discussion, *Fred Tilman moved and Nate Mitchell seconded scheduling the COMPASS Legislative Reception on February 19, 2009, from 5:30-7:00 pm at the Plaza 121 building. Motion passed unanimously.*

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Review Staff interpretation of August 19, 2002, Board Action

Matt Stoll reviewed COMPASS Board action at the August 19, 2002, Board meeting regarding federal funding and municipalities not complying with existing air quality state implementation plans. The motion read:

"Mike Wetherell moved and Roger Simmons seconded to approve Resolution 8-2002 adopting the Final FY2003-2007 Boise Urbanized Area Transportation Improvement Program providing, however, that no federal funds shall be expended for roadway maintenance, construction, or re-construction in any area of the county not fully cooperating with the state implementation plans for carbon monoxide and particulate matter or with any future state implementation plans for other air pollutants. Motion passed with one nay vote."

Matt said his interpretation is that the motion was tied to the FY2003-2007 Transportation Improvement Program that has expired and is no longer applicable.

After discussion, ***Nate Mitchell moved and Tom Dale seconded agreement with Matt Stoll's interpretation that the action was tied to the FY2003-2007 Boise Urbanized Area Transportation Improvement Program and is no longer applicable. Motion passed unanimously.***

B. Consider Membership Services Request from City of Star

Nate Mitchell said the City of Star is offering to provide the revenue for COMPASS to hire an outside consultant to evaluate the impact of annexation upon land values and transportation corridor preservation. Nate stated this effort will benefit not only the City of Star but all COMPASS members in the long term.

After discussion, ***Fred Tilman moved and Tammy de Weerd seconded approval of COMPASS' involvement in hiring an outside consultant to evaluate the impact of annexation upon land values and transportation corridor preservation. Motion passed with Nate Mitchell abstaining.***

C. COMPASS Role in Lobbying

Matt Stoll discussed that there is a potential that the issue of COMPASS having a role in lobbying at the state and federal levels may be called into question and become a public issue.

Matt stated that it is legal for COMPASS to use membership dues for lobbying and appropriate that COMPASS have a regional voice advocating at both the state and federal level to meet the needs from a financial and policy standpoint. Matt noted that it is a very common practice that metropolitan planning organizations and associations of government have a lobbyist under contract or have staff members who provide these services.

Matt asked for and received confirmation from the Committee that there is a need for COMPASS to have a regional voice at both the state and federal level.

The Committee directed Matt and Ken Burgess to develop talking points for review by the Executive Committee regarding expenditures and accomplishments by having the service provided.

D. Stimulus Package

Matt Stoll requested direction for himself and Ken Burgess to develop a list of local projects that do not fit into the constraints of the federal requirements or do not meet the 120 to 180 day limitations for submittal to the Idaho Delegation, the Governor's office and the Idaho Transportation Department to showcase the projects that could be ready if the constraints were lifted. Matt also requested direction for him to be proactive in working with the Idaho Transportation Department to set up a prioritization system and for Ken Burgess to work with the Governor's Office to provide a forum for COMPASS to discuss how to work together as a state on local and state projects.

After discussion, ***Tom Dale moved and Fred Tilman seconded for Matt Stoll and Ken Burgess to go forward with developing an additional list of projects and to work with the Idaho Transportation Department and the Governor's Office. Motion passed unanimously.***

ADJOURNMENT

Fred Tilman moved and Nate Mitchell seconded adjournment at 3:15 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Dated this 20th day of January 2009.

APPROVED:

*BY: _____
John Franden, Chair
Community Planning Association*

ATTEST:

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

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