

**CITY OF BOULDER
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BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETING
MINUTES**

Name of Board/ Commission: Transportation Advisory Board	
Date of Meeting: March 14, 2016	
Contact Information Preparing Summary: Meredith Schleske 303.441.3204	
Board Members Present: Zane Selvans, Chair; Dom Nozzi, Andria Bilich, Bill Rigler	
Board Members Absent:	
Staff Present: Michael Gardner-Sweeney, Interim Director of Public Works for Transportation Kathleen Bracke, Go Boulder Manager Jean Sanson, Senior Transportation Planner, GO Boulder Natalie Stiffler, Transportation Planner, GO Boulder Meredith Schleske, Board Secretary	
Type of Meeting: Advisory/ Regular	
Agenda Item 1: Call to Order	[6:04 p.m.]
The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.	
Agenda Item 2: Approval of minutes from February 2016	[6:04 p.m.]
Move to amend 8 February, 2016 minutes	
Motion: Nozzi Second: Rigler	
4:0:0 Motion Passes	
Agenda Item 3: Public Participation	[6:05 p.m.]
none	
Agenda Item 4: Resolution to Celebrate Andria Bilich's five-year term TAB contribution	[6:10 p.m.]
Andria Bilich received a resolution celebrating her contributions to transportation in Boulder over the past five years.	
Agenda Item 5: Staff briefing and TAB discussion regarding East Arapahoe Transportation Plan (Sweeney, Bracke, Sanson)	[6:07 p.m.]
Jean Sanson gave the presentation to the board, including updates on types of community outreach, public input, revisions made and next steps.	
Executive Summary:	
The purpose of this agenda item is to provide a briefing to the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) on the East Arapahoe Transportation Plan public outreach and request TAB nominate a member to participate on the East Arapahoe Transportation Plan Community Working Group.	
TAB Action Requested – Key Question for the TAB:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Does the TAB have any suggestions for enhancing and/or clarifying the public input summary prior to general distribution? 2. Does the TAB agree that it is appropriate to appoint a TAB member to the East Arapahoe Community Working Group? And if so, is there a TAB member nominee? 	
Board discussion and comments included:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TAB will have input after each step of the plan. • The validity of the data will be supplemented with ongoing small group meetings and surveys, which will also promote community buy-in. • The online survey results may reflect some frustration from 2013 project. • Agreement that TAB should have a representative on the East Arapahoe Community Working Group, to be appointed at the next meeting when the two incoming members are present. • The East Arapahoe Community Working Group members will be asked the same questions as the November 2015 online survey and then refine the results. 	
Agenda Item 6: Staff briefing and TAB discussion regarding HOP Update (Sweeney, Bracke, Stiffler)	[6:41 p.m.]
Natalie Stiffler gave the presentation to the board.	

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide a briefing to the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) on the status of the HOP Transit Study. The HOP study is an action item of the Transportation Master Plan. The purpose of the study is to review the existing HOP service operations and identify potential opportunities to enhance connections with Downtown, 29th Street, Boulder Junction, University of Colorado (CU), and University Hill and improve overall customer experience.

TAB Action Requested – Key Questions for the TAB:

1. Does TAB have any questions and suggestions regarding the HOP transit study scope, public engagement process, and/or timeline?
2. Does TAB have any interest in designating a representative to participate in the HOP study stakeholder meetings?

Board discussion and comments included:

- Staff is working with different stakeholders by identifying representatives to meet May through July and prioritize concerns. John Tayer will represent an important component. Boulder Startup Week and technology companies were suggested for inclusion.
- Marketing suggestions include “Hop on Board” and a ride for free promotion.
- ? 2nd hop route? Look at e to main campus, boulder junction to will vill. Busses are easier to board with low floors.
- How do you reasonable expand the range of stakeholders? Recruit from residential areas?
- Agreement that TAB should have a representative on the HOP study stakeholder meetings, to be appointed at the next meeting when the two incoming members are present.
- Changes will be incorporated into the 2017 budget process with proposed implementation in 2018.

Other Board discussion:

- Board member Bilich asked why the RTD busses are all white? They acquired some refurbished busses that they are trying not to rebrand so they will be available for multiple routes.

Agenda Item 7: Matters**[7:10 p.m.]****A. Matters from the Board**

Board member Nozzi brought up the below matter(s):

- Going to the Frozen Dead Guy festival in Nederland, riders were left waiting at almost every stop. That is not unusual for ski busses either.
- Does not agree with the Daily Camera article re TAB statement that it lacks diversity.

B. Matters from the Staff/ Non-Agenda – Kathleen Bracke

- The City Portland/Eugene trip includes asking various advisory boards, including TAB, to send a representative April 24-27. TAB will discuss.
- Baseline Underpass project construction update – awarded to Jalisco, start construction in April, about a year. Crosswalk will be closed during that time. In response to inquiry about a deterrent to high bike speed going through, the design will be similar to the Broadway/Euclid underpass.
- Living Lab Phase II Update – information is on the website. It is tracking similarly with expectations of the seasonal moderate increase in bike traffic in warmer weather. A technical observational study is in process on Folsom and outreach planned in April. We are also looking at information from other cities. The University protected parking was reversed today and a count study is scheduled on east Baseline.
- Civic Area Parking/TDM program update – we are currently evaluating employee needs. There will be a public meeting April 4th and an update to City Council April 5th.
- Regional Studies Update – Transit service to Denver International Airport using the 36 toll road starts April 4th and the Flatirons Flyer 4 route will eliminate the Westminster stop. Ridership data is anticipated from RTD. At the statehouse, SB 123 to eliminate transponders is in discussion and the bus on shoulder bill (maximum speed variance 15 mph) just signed with implementation pending RTD adjustments. This speed differential rule is to ensure safety between bus and cars.
- Public Works Director of Transportation and Utilities Update – three finalists have completed the interview process and a decision is expected.

Andria Bilich thanked TAB and management, stating that her service on TAB has been so much fun.

Agenda Item 8: Future Schedule Discussion**[7:28 p.m.]**

Agenda Item 9: Adjournment

[7:29 p.m.]

There being no further business to come before the board at this time, by motion regularly adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Motion: moved to adjourn: Bilich, seconded by: Nozzi

Motion passes 4:0

Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be a regular meeting on Monday, 11 April, 2016 in the Council Chambers, 2nd floor of the Municipal Building, at 6 p.m.; unless otherwise decided by staff and the Board.

APPROVED BY:

ATTESTED:

Board Chair

Board Secretary

Date

Date

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