

**MINUTES
OF THE
TECHNICAL AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE
Thursday, April 17, 2025 10:00 a.m.
Zoom/2nd Floor Circle of Friends Community Room
Rapid City, South Dakota**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kip Harrington and Jessica Olson – Rapid City Department of Community Development, Sara Odden – Rapid City Public Works Department, Sarah Gilkerson and Mike Carlson – South Dakota Department of Transportation, Megan Gould-Stabile – Rapid Transit System, Bob Burns, Laura Armstrong and Gerry Eick – Citizen Interest, Bruce Martin – City of Box Elder, Troy Eastman – Meade County Highway Department, Jack Dokken – South Dakota Department of Air, Rail and Transit and Brian Bishop - Rapid City Regional Airport

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kelly Brennan – Rapid City Department of Community Development, Matt Layman and Jesse Rieb – Rapid City Public Works Department, Pat West – Meade County Sheriff’s Department, Lauralee Patton – City of Box Elder Planning Department, Roger Gallimore and Lynn Kendall – Meade County Citizen Appointees, Gary Weitgrefe, Amy Richie – Citizen Interest members, Eric Radke – Pennington County Highway, Tonya Vig – Meade County Planning, Monte Meier – South Dakota Department of Air, Rail and Transit, Mayor Phil Anderson – City of Piedmont, Chris Hislip – Pennington County Sheriff’s Office, Joseph Miller – Pennington County Highway, Brett Burditt – Meade County School District, Coy Sasse – Rapid City School District, Devin McCloskey/Colby Larson - Ellsworth Air Force Base, Jeff McCoy – Rapid City Police Department, Robert Connell – City of Box Elder Police Department, Mayor Michael Kitzmiller – City of Summerset, Kevin Case – Douglas School District, and Britney Molitor – Pennington County Planning Department

OTHERS PRESENT: Rebel VanLoh – Rapid City Department of Community Development

Chairman Harrington called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Meeting quorum was met.

General Public Comment

Harrington introduced Gerry Eick as a new voting member from the Citizens Interest group.

Business

Gilkerson moved, Armstrong seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2025 Technical and Citizens Committee meeting.

25TP006 – Approve the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization 2024 Traffic Volume Counts Report. The report provides the public and business community with traffic count data to help make informed decisions. Harrington reviewed the Traffic Counts Report.

Odden moved, Carlson seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization 2024 Traffic Volume Counts Report.

25TP007 – Approve the Section 5310 Award Recommendation Harrington reviewed the Section 5310 Award Recommendation noting the recommendation would be to award Black Hills Works \$85,000 and Prairie Hills Transit \$127,500. Discussion followed regarding the recommendations.

Dokken moved, Eick seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Section 5310 Award Recommendation.

25TP008 – Approve the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #25-004. Harrington reviewed the amendment noting it would add funding in the Transportation Alternative Projects category for two projects that were selected by the Transportation Commission for construction in 2027 and 2028. The two projects will work to improve the bike and pedestrian network within the City. Discussion ensued regarding the amendment.

Weitgreffe moved, Martin seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #25-004.

Update on Construction Projects

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

Update on Planning Projects

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 10:37 a.m.