

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION



MEETING DATE: February 2, 2010 **ITEM NUMBER:** 4B
TYPE OF ITEM: Study Session
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SUBJECT/AGENDA TITLE: Southwest Transportation Plan Amendment Update

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: On June 30, 2009, the Longmont City Council directed staff to move forward on Option 3 as the preferred alternative for an amendment to the Longmont Area Comprehensive Plan (LACP). On January 19th, 2010, City Council directed staff to bring the Southwest Longmont Transportation Plan back to a Study Session for the three new Council members to better understand the issue prior to voting on an amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Boulder County and an amendment to the LACP.

COUNCIL OPTIONS:

- A) Direct staff to move forward on Option 3 and work with Boulder County on an amendment to the current IGA allowing future roads outside the Longmont Planning Area (LPA).
- B) Direct staff to move forward on a different option from the original seven (six from City staff and one TAB recommended version) options and renegotiate amendments on an IGA with Boulder County if needed.

RECOMMENDED OPTIONS: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT & FUND SOURCE FOR RECOMMENDED ACTION: N/A

BACKGROUND AND ISSUE ANALYSIS:
On June 30, 2009, the Longmont City Council directed staff to move forward on Option 3 as the preferred alternative for the Southwest Longmont Transportation Planning area. Prior to moving forward on the ordinance to amend the LACP, staff entered negotiations with Boulder County on amending the current IGA to allow one of the proposed roads in Option 3 (Renaissance Drive Extension) to cross out of the LPA for a short distance. In November 2009, three new members were elected to the City Council.

In early December 2009, Boulder County forwarded their key points for an amendment to the current IGA between Boulder County and the City of Longmont. On January 19th, 2010, City Council directed staff to bring the Southwest Longmont Transportation Plan back to a Study Session for the three new Council members to better understand the issue prior to voting on an amendment to the IGA with Boulder County and an amendment to the LACP.



ATTACHMENTS:

Original June 30, 2009 Council Communication (with Option maps)

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