

**ACTION MINUTES
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
November 10, 2008**

The November 10, 2008 meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board was called to order by Board Chair Sommers at 6:05 p.m. in the Twin Sister's Conference Room in the Development Services Center.

1. ROLL CALL

Board members present were: Veronica Sommers, Buzz Feldman, David McCulloch and Noella Fritz. Gary Hodges was absent.

City staff present were: Nick Wolfrum, Curtis Ansel, Tyler Stamey, and Cindy McIntosh. Council Liaison, Gabe Santos, was also present.

2. APPROVE MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING (:35) – David McCulloch made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2008 TAB meeting. Veronica Sommers seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

3. COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF (1:07)

TAB Vacancy Interviews – Gary Hodges and Veronica Sommers both volunteered to sit in on the interview process. They will work out who will go and notify Cindy.

North I-25 EIS Hearing – There will be a public meeting from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. on November 18, 2008 at the Longmont Library. The North I-25 EIS group will be accepting comments through December 30, 2008. This project currently has no available funding.

4. PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD

Two citizens were present to observe only.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Report on Longmont Origin/Destination Study (David Evans & Associates) (06:10) – Stacey Shore, David Evans & Associates, presented a Power Point presentation on the results of the Origin/Destination Study.

One solution that was discussed was to make system improvements (i.e. signage, intersection improvements, and signal progression) to help divert traffic from Hover onto Airport Road. With congestion on Hover on the rise, changes will need to be implemented to keep traffic flowing smoothly.

It was suggested that staff continue to foster relationships with other groups who are interested in public transportation i.e. RTD, CDOT, BOCO, North I-25 EIS, etc.) When planning for future transportation needs, it is important to address our system as a whole.

It also was suggested that RTD work with Loveland and Ft. Collins.

Thank you, Stacey, for the information.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Martin Street Extension Traffic Study (Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc.) (6:50) – Phil Weisbach, Short Elliott Hendrickson, made a presentation on the Martin Street Extension and Boston Avenue. Options for traffic patterns were reviewed. Boston Avenue Extension traffic will be taken into consideration as it will be

impacted by the decisions made for Martin Street. Boston Avenue is currently an unfunded project and the alignment has not yet been determined.

There will be a demand for people to continue north on Martin Street into the residential area. Mitigation efforts to discourage this movement are being considered. TAB expressed an interest in reviewing the traffic mitigation options before a final decision is made.

Martin Street will ultimately be four-lanes. Both short- and long-term issues are being evaluated.

Thanks to Phil for the presentation.

2009 City Council Retreat Discussion Items (7:40) – Suggestions for the retreat were:

¾¢ Street Fund Sales Tax Renewal – When/how to move forward to the election process
FasTracks Options – How to help facilitate moving forward towards the 2017 goal
Northern Regional Transportation Issues

7. COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Transportation Engineering (Buzz Feldman) – Buzz believes that a more accurate title would be Traffic Engineering which includes pedestrian traffic.

TAB Vacancies – Noella Fritz and David McCulloch's positions expire December, 2008. Noella will not be reapplying. David will be.

Introduction of Tyler Stamey, Neighborhood Traffic Mitigation – Welcome to Tyler Stamey.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.