

GREAT FALLS URBAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
July 12, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jim Rearden called the Great Falls Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting to order at approximately 9:30 a.m. in the Rainbow Room of the Civic Center, #2 Park Drive South.

ROLL CALL OF TAC MEMBERS & ATTENDANCE

TAC Members Present/Represented:

Russell Brewer	Civil Engineer, Special Projects, City of Great Falls
Alex Dachs	Cascade County Planning Division
Dave Dobbs	City of Great Falls Engineer
Andrew Finch	Sr. Transportation Planner, City of Great Falls
Jim Helgeson	Manager, Great Falls Transit District
Jerry McKinley	Traffic Supervisor, City of Great Falls
Bill McLaughlin	Deputy Base Civil Engineer, Malmstrom Air Force Base
Christie McOmber	District Project Engineer, GF District MDT
Tom Micuda (for Craig Raymond)	Director, City of Great Falls Planning & Community Dev
Jim Rearden	Director, City of Great Falls Public Works Department
Rick Schutz	Superintendent, Cascade County Road & Bridge Division
Carol Strizich (via phone)	Statewide & Urban Planning Section, Helena MDT
Bruce Treis	Environmental Health Specialist, City-County Health Department
Jim Wingerter	Right-of-Way Supervisor, Great Falls District – MDT

TAC Members Absent/Not Represented:

Brian Clifton	Director, Cascade County Public Works Department
Jim Ekberg	Deputy Director, Cascade County Public Works Department
John Faulkner	Director, Great Falls International Airport Authority
Ken Jorgensen	Street Supervisor, City of Great Falls Street Division

Recognition of Others Present:

Loran Frazier	TD&H Engineering
Sheila Ludlow (via phone)	Statewide & Urban Planning Section, Helena MDT
Kenn Winnegar (via phone)	Statewide & Urban Planning Section, Helena MDT

MINUTES

Prior to the meeting, Committee members were provided a copy of the May 10, 2018, meeting minutes. Mr. Micuda moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Dobbs. All being in favor, the minutes were approved as submitted.

BUSINESS ITEMS

5.A. – 2018 LRTP Update

Mr. Finch introduced the agenda item, stating the previous meeting contained a presentation from the consultant, RPA, on the Long Range Transportation Plan Update. Since that meeting, the 30-day comment period expired, and some public comments were received. Mr. Finch stated Appendix A contains the public comments and encouraged everyone to review them.

Mr. Finch briefly reviewed some of the major updated areas of the document including fiscal constraint, air quality conformity determination, compliance with the FAST act, and existing conditions. Projects were also

updated with a few minor recommendations stemming from the I-15 Corridor Study and the River Drive Corridor Study.

Mr. Finch recommended approving the Update, and recommending the Policy Coordinating Committee approve the document as well.

MOTION: That the Technical Advisory Committee approve the 2018 Long Range Transportation Plan Update, subject to allowing minor edits by reviewing agencies.

Made by: Mr. Micuda

Second: Mr. Dobbs

VOTE: All in favor, the motion carried.

Mr. Rearden asked if the document would be presented to the City Commission, and Mr. Finch said yes, but primarily as informational.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Rearden adjourned the meeting at 9:43 a.m.