# GREAT FALLS URBAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS

## **TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting Minutes August 11, 2016

## **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:

Dave Dobbs City of Great Falls Engineer

Andrew Finch MPO, Sr. Transportation Planner, City of Great Falls

Craig Raymond Director, City of Great Falls Planning & Community Development

Ken Jorgensen Street Supervisor, City of Great Falls Street Division Courtney Lyerly Civil Engineer, Special Projects, City of Great Falls

Jerry McKinley Traffic Supervisor, City of Great Falls

Jim Rearden Director, City of Great Falls Public Works Department
Rick Schutz Superintendent, Cascade County Road & Bridge Division

Sheila Ludlow

(for Carol Strizich) Statewide & Urban Planning Section, Helena MDT Jerilee Weibel Right-of-Way Supervisor, Great Falls District – MDT

# TAC Members Absent/Not Represented:

Brian Clifton Director, Cascade County Public Works Department

Susan Conell Director, Cascade County Planning Division

Jim Ekberg Deputy Director, Cascade County Public Works Department

John Faulkner Director, Great Falls International Airport Authority

Jim Helgeson Manager, Great Falls Transit District

Ken Jorgensen Street Supervisor, City of Great Falls Street Division
Bill McLaughlin Deputy Base Civil Engineer, Malmstrom Air Force Base

Christie McOmber District Project Engineer, GF District MDT

Bruce Treis Environmental Health Specialist, City-County Health Department

# Recognition of Others Present:

Shyla Patera North Central Independent Living Services
Connie Tryon Sr. Administrative Assistant, City of Great Falls

Chris Ward TD&H Engineering

#### **MINUTES**

Prior to the meeting, Committee members were provided a copy of the July 14, 2016, TAC meeting minutes. Mr. Finch moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Dobbs. All being in favor, the minutes were approved as submitted.

# **BUSINESS ITEMS**

Prior to the meeting, TAC members were provided with copies of the TAC meeting agenda. Copies of the agenda and handout materials are attached and incorporated by reference.

# 5A. FFY 2017 Unified Planning Work Program

Mr. Finch said it is time to consider and adopt the yearly Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). This is a continuation of previous years, and he highlighted a few of the items. The Long Range Transportation Plan will need a consultant to aid in the update, which has been budgeted for in the upcoming fiscal year. An

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additional staff member has also been approved for the Planning and Community Development Department, which will assist in not only transportation planning, but long range planning and implementation as well. Mr. Finch said transit has identified a passenger count study, which is minor, but has been reflected in the UPWP as well. He offered to answer any questions from the Board.

MOTION: That the Technical Advisory Committee approve the FFY 2017 Unified Planning Work Program inclusive of any minor changes necessary to respond to FHWA/FTA comments and recommend approval by the Policy Coordinating Committee.

Made by: Mr. Lyerly Second: Mr. Dobbs

VOTE: All being in favor, the motion passed.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

There was discussion on the proposed schedule for Fox Farm Road, with the letting date being in February or March of 2017.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Raymond moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Finch. All being in favor, the meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.