

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:

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| 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:

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| 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:

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| 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.