

CHEYENNE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
Laramie County Library, Third Floor
November 21, 2019



Committee Attendees: Gene Burchett, Vice Chair
Barbara Boyd
Boyd Wiggam
Rachel Meeker

Absent: Clay Muirhead, Steve Ganison, and Dawn Fiscus

Staff: Tom Mason MPO Director
Nancy Olson MPO Planner

1) Mr. Burchett called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM.

2) **Approval of the October 17, 2019 minutes**

Mr. Burchett called for a motion to approve the Oct. 17, meeting minutes. Mr. Wiggam moved, and Mrs. Boyd seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

3) **Presentation and approval of the Draft *Interim Cheyenne Area Master Transportation Plan***

Mr. Mason expressed his thanks to the members for attendance for this special meeting.

A federal requirement is to update the Master Transportation plan every five years. The last plan expired in April, but the MPO thought that we were okay, because all the needed plans and projects were already in the LRMTTP and TIP. The two main projects that are coming very soon are the realignment of the intersection of US 30 and Dell Range, as well as, the reconstruction of Whitney Rd. between Dell Range and US 30. Then WYDOT added two new projects they wanted funding from the Federal government to do design and construction. These needed to be added to the LRTP and the STIP/TIP. This plan will be superseded when the Policy Committee adopts *Connect 2045, Transportation Update Plan Cheyenne*. It is designed to take the MPO and its agencies through the anticipated adoption of the Plan; about this time next year.

This document was written by taking the 2014 Master Transportation Plan and adding all the planning work/ corridor plans and projects that the MPO has done since. Those projects could now be added to the TIP and programed to be federally funded and move forward.

Mr. Mason went through the document section by section. The growth forecast for the new plan was chosen to be 1.28% per year by the Steering Committee. The Travel Demand Forecast Model is still workable.

All the principals and policies, as well as, the needs and vision are the same from the 2014 plan. principles 1- 7 were read to the group.

Anticipated funding for the plan through 2040 was updated from the previously list. He pointed out on the map that all the red and green roads are needed. But the plan is fiscally constrained as per the budget, so the green ones are the most needed roads and fit within the budget.

He spoke briefly about the fiscally constrained transit, bike and pedestrian sections. Next, he spoke about the performance measures and their targets. Mr. Mason spoke of the last section of the

document listing the public input opportunities and meetings. He said that he will be going to both Planning Commissions in the future. The Plan will be approved by the Policy Committee in the middle of December.

Mr. Wiggam asked which projects WYDOT wanted to fund. With the relocation of FE Warren AFB main gate from Gate 1 to Gate 2 at Missile Dr. and I-25, there needs to be signals installed. Also, Reconstruction of College Dr. from South Greeley Highway to Fox Farm. The curve will become a four-legged intersection. City, County, and State want to build a pedestrian underpass from LCCC to Sweetgrass even before the road get reconstructed.

Mr. Burchett called for a motion to approve the Interim Master Transportation Plan. Mrs. Boyd moved. Ms. Meeker seconded. Motion passes.

4) Update on MPO Planning Projects

a) Whitney Corridor Plan

Mr. Cobb is trying to find time to finish the Whitney Plan. Hopefully it will be by end of November so the two MPO committees can approve it in Dec as well as the City and County Planning Commissions.

b) PlanCheyenne Master Transportation Plan

About 40 people came to the first Open House for PlanCheyenne. All the materials from the meeting are up on the MPO website. There is a survey and an interactive map to mark any concerns and locations on for the consultants.

5) Other Business

6) Next Meeting – December 11, 2019 (Whitney Plan)