

Cheyenne Metropolitan Planning Organization
Policy Committee Meeting
September 21, 2023
Mayors Conference Room



Attendance:

Voting Members:	Patrick Collins Linda Heath Ralph Tarango	City of Cheyenne, Mayor, Chair Laramie Co. Commissioner, Vice-Chair WYDOT, District Engineer (Zoom)
Non-Voting Members:	Molly Bennett Charles Bloom Tom Cobb Juli Monahan Mark Wingate Justin Arnold	Laramie County Public Works City Planning & Development City Engineer WYDOT Planning WYDOT State Planning Engineer Laramie County Planning
Staff:	Jeff Noffsinger Ginni Stevens Valerie Pickard Stefanie Boster	MPO Director MPO Senior Transportation Planner Office Manager City Attorney
Guests:	None	

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Unified Planning Work Program FY '24

Noffsinger gave an overview on the FY 24 UPWP. Title VI was added into our document. Projects will be the Parsley Extension, Wallick Rd from Parsley to Division. Collins: LEADS is doing a plat for that whole area with a variety of uses. I see this as a high priority.

Tarango: What do you think they want to construct first? Will this be phased?

Cobb: Yes, this will be phased.

Noffsinger: Passenger Rail Plan – I spoke with Dale Steenbergen and a few other folks in the community to discuss what has been done historically, and what needs to be done moving forward. A service development plan needs to be done extending to Cheyenne. We could form a task force to discuss where the platform for the rail could be located. DJ Mitchell should be coming into town in October, and we could have a kickoff meeting with him.

Henderson Greenway – underpass at Lincolnway and Nationway. This will open up pedestrian/bicycle pathways and tie into existing Greenway systems.

Section 20 Major Collector Network Design.

Cobb: All Cole siblings were in the meeting, strategize their needs. We need to define the major roads in the area. 10% study from City Engineering using Kimley Horn.

In House Plans: Complete Streets – we have started laying this out and next year we will update our long-range transportation plan.

Rollover Projects – Laramie County ROW impact fees study.

West Crow Creek Greenway

East Allison Connector

Safe Routes to School

Budget, allocation is set. Rollover should be better assessed by our next meeting.

Before we move forward with these projects, we need to look at staff calendars and availability.

I would like to see construction on these projects in the next 3-5 years and not waiting 5-10 years.

Heath: Where is the bang for the buck for the County? It seems projects are more weighted toward the City.

Collins: When Section 20 is developed you will get your 10 mills whether it's in the City or County. When Section 20 is developed you will get 10's of thousands of dollars as tax revenue as we build out roads in the area. If we can get quality companies in the High Plains area it will help both the City and the County to create jobs.

Noffsinger: Powderhouse, High Plains and Section 20 are mostly in the County.

Collins: Last year we removed the train station in favor of the Powderhouse plan.

Bennett: Jeff mentioned a short-term timeframe on construction projects, that will help us in future FY budgets.

Motion to approve the FY UPWP by Tarango, seconded by Heath. Motion passes.

III. No other business

Meeting adjourned. 3:21pm