CHEYENNE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES City Municipal Building, Room 208 (& virtually on Zoom)

August 23, 2023, 10:00am



Attendance in person and via Zoom

Voting Members: Charles Bloom (Chair) Planning & Development

Andrea Allen WYDOT

Justin Arnold Laramie County Planning & Devel. (zoom)

Molly Bennett Laramie County Public Works

Matt Butler Laramie County EMS
Wes Bay (for Tom Cobb) City Traffic Engineer
Bryce Dorr City of Cheyenne BOPU

Larry Gallagher South Cheyenne Water & Sewer

Betsy Hale Cheyenne LEADS

Renae Jording City of Cheyenne, Transit (zoom)

Craig LaVoy (for Ms. Nemecek) City Public Works (zoom)

Juli Monahan WYDOT Planning

Kristina Richardson Mayor's Council for People with Disabilities

Wayne Shenefelt WYDOT Resident Engineer

Sally Stainbank Lowe's Distribution Frank Strong Cheyenne BOPU

Jeanie Vetter Parks and Greenway Planner Sam Weinstein Southeast Wyo Builders Assoc.

Non-Voting Members:

Guests: Brad Emmons AVI, PC

Trey Rinne AVI, PC (zoom)

Staff: Jeff Noffsinger MPO Director

Ginni Stevens MPO Senior Planner Christopher Yaney MPO Senior Technician

Jen Corso MPO GIS

Valerie Pickard MPO Office Manager

1. Approval of the May 17, 2023, minutes – Motioned by Wes Bay, seconded by Juli Monahan.

Motion passes.

2. Introductions

3. Discussion of UPWP

Noffsinger introduces discussion on the UPWP plan. Chris Yaney discussion on this fiscal year to have TransCAD renewed, and service provided by Kimley Horn. HPMS counts are out to bid this week, estimated total is not to exceed 37k. Laramie County Road Impact Fee study, we are looking at developing road impact costs, roads, signage and drainage, contract not to exceed 97,840.00. This is a carryover project from FY23.

Ginni Stevens discusses Complete Streets plan, showing multi-modal transportation. This would be a high-level overview showing best practices.

Noffisinger: discussion of an Amtrak station and site selections.

Hale: is Amtrak going to be on BNSF or UPR,

Wes Bay, I believe it would be on the BNSF.

Hale: Cosmo will be constructing High Plains Road and access for future growth. We are looking to get a Planning Grant to help us in this area. We are working to get a Master Plan of the area, projections for the next 40 plus years of growth.

Noffsinger: We are looking at a corridor study of College to Terry Ranch Rd. This would be in partnership with Cheyenne LEADS and Wyoming Business Council.

Vetter gave an update on the Henderson Greenway plan.

Stevens: Master Transportation Plan needs to be updated by 2025.

Noffsinger: We are looking at doing this in house.

Stevens: We are looking to set aside funds each year for this.

Recommendations to send to Policy Committee.

4. Discussion of Carbon Emissions Strategies

Stevens: this is for review by both Casper and Cheyenne. No comments.

5. Update on other MPO Planning Projects

a. Southwest Drive

We met with Benchmark and the Steering Committee to discuss an alignment. Implementing public comment to keep the corridor rural by moving traffic to Broken Arrow. Chris Yaney gave an update on the train traffic at Southwest and Lincolnway.

b. West Crow Creek Greenway Plan

Ginni Stevens gave an update on the 35% plans. This is the last piece of the original Greenway plan. Going to City Council on Monday.

c. Laramie County Road Impact

Chris Yaney gave update on this plan. Tischler Bice is the consultant, we are looking to go to Policy and City Council for approval. 9mos to 1 year to complete.

d. Safe Routes to School Plan

Ginni Stevens, we have received a TAP grant approval and selected Stantec Consulting. We received our notice to proceed this week.

e. Powderhouse Corridor Study

We will have this plan going through approval at the next Technical Committee.

f. Van Buren Corridor Study

Final draft plan has been sent out and will also go to the next Technical Committee

6. Update on important local Construction Projects

- a. City of Cheyenne Wes Bay gave an update on projects, most are pavement management.
- b. Laramie County no updates.
- c. WYDOT not present.
- d. LEADS Bronco Filly update concerns with Burlington Trail being gravel and not paid.

7. Other Business

a. None

Next Meeting October 4th or 11th? October 4th for the next meeting.

Motion to close by Jeff Noffsinger Meeting concluded at 11:01am