

# CHEYENNE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
City of Cheyenne Municipal Building Room 304  
June 12, 2024



<b>Attendees:</b>	Barbara Boyd	Zoom
	C.J. Brown	Zoom
	Boyd Wiggam - Chair	in-person
	Leif Paulson	in-person

**Absent:** Dawn Fiscus

**Guests:** Ben Weaver, Stantec  
Jill Rosselot, Stantec  
Joanne Cho, Stantec  
Joe Polacek, Stantec

**Staff:** Jeff Noffsinger MPO Director

1. **Approval of the August 23, 2023, minutes** Motion to approve by CJ Brown, seconded by Leif Paulson, motion passes.

2. **Presentation from Stantec on Safe Routes to School Project**

3. **Update on other MPO Planning Projects**

- *West Crow Creek Greenway Plan*  
Jeff Noffsinger gave an update on the 35% plans. This is the last piece of the original Greenway plan from MLK Park to Freedom Elementary. Going to Policy Committee tomorrow and then to City Council on Monday.
- *Laramie County Road Impact Fee Study*  
The consultant for the project, TischlerBise, will be presenting the draft plan at the County Commissioner's workshop on July 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:30.
- *Safe Street for All (SS4A) Grant*  
SS4A - Great news! The MPO was awarded a \$200,000 SS4A grant to complete a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP). The project requires a 20% local match or \$50,000, which will be split between the city (\$32,500) and county (\$17,500). We will be working through the grant award process and sending out a request for Letters of Intent to consultants who might be interested in the project.
- *Passenger Rail*  
The Front Range Passenger Rail District (FRPR) officially delayed their ballot initiative until 2026. This is good news for Wyoming as it allows us to play catch up to align with

their current efforts. The FRPR board approved the MOU with the MPO, which is a great first step in collaborating with the efforts in Colorado.

Our next initiative is conducting the passenger rail station site selection study to identify the best location for future service. The contract is going through the City Council review process. It will be presented on the June 10<sup>th</sup> agenda. The next meeting of the Cheyenne Passenger Rail Commission will be June 25<sup>th</sup>. This meeting will serve as the kickoff of the study.

- *East Allison Road Corridor Study*  
MPO staff has been diligently working on the draft of the East Allison Road Corridor Study. A neighborhood meeting was held on May 14<sup>th</sup> at the Fellowship Baptist Church with 15 people in attendance. Next steps will be a steering committee meeting and a final presentation at a second neighborhood meeting. The county has approximately \$2.4 million in 6<sup>th</sup> penny to complete the project which could begin as soon as next year.
- *EV Charging Station Study*  
An ad hoc group including Renee Smith, Paul Bellotti, Charles Bloom, and myself met to discuss past MPO efforts to assist the city with future grant applications. A draft report was presented to the group with the rationale behind the locations that were selected. Next steps were identified to prepare for the CFI Grant Program, which has an application deadline of August 28<sup>th</sup>. The team met with Erik Lundeen and others from Black Hill Energy on June 4<sup>th</sup> to discuss costs associated with electrical infrastructure improvements to each site. A follow-up meeting will be conducted to dial in more detailed costs for identified sites for charging stations.

#### 4. **Other Business**

- a. Discussion about recruiting new members.

Next Meeting – TBD in August

Meeting adjourned 7:10pm.