



**MEETING MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOARD)**  
**Wednesday, November 8, 2006**  
**9:00 a.m.**  
**PPACG Conference Room**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**El Paso County**  
**Town of Green Mountain Falls**  
**City of Colorado Springs**  
**Teller County**  
City of Colorado Springs  
Colorado Transportation Commission  
El Paso County  
El Paso County  
Military Representative  
Public Transportation Representative  
Town of Monument  
Town of Palmer Lake

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Air Quality Control Commission  
City of Colorado Springs  
City of Cripple Creek  
City of Fountain  
City of Manitou Springs  
City of Victor  
**City of Woodland Park**  
Park County  
Town of Alma  
Town of Calhan  
Town of Fairplay

**GUESTS**

Ms. Beth Barrett  
Ms. Electa Beckner  
Mr. Craig Blewitt  
Mr. Chuck Brown  
Ms. Heather Copp  
Ms. Corinne Donahue  
Ms. Jan Doran  
Mr. Mickey Ferrell  
Ms. Jennifer Finch  
Ms. Dolores Fowler  
Ms. Francine Hansen  
Mr. Randy Harrison  
Mr. Bill Keller

**REPRESENTED BY**

**Commissioner Wayne Williams, Chair**  
**Mayor Tyler Stevens, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair**  
**Councilmember Jerry Heimlicher, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair**  
**Commissioner Jim Ignatius, Treasurer**  
Vice Mayor Larry Small  
Commissioner Terry Schooler  
Commissioner Sallie Clark  
Commissioner Dennis Hisey  
Dr. Bob Stein  
Dr. James Null  
Mayor Byron Glenn  
Mayor Max Parker

**REPRESENTED BY**

Commissioner Chris Neumann  
Councilmember Darryl Glenn  
Mayor Ed Libby  
Councilmember LeNore Ralston  
Mayor Marcy Morrison  
Mayor Kathy Justice  
**Mayor Gary Crane, Secretary**  
Coroner Sharon Morris  
Mayor Mark Dowaliby  
Mayor Gary Reimers  
Mayor Fred Boyce

Pikes Peak Library District  
PPACG Regional Advisory Council  
City of Colorado Springs  
Springs Toll Road  
Colorado Department of Transportation  
Colorado Springs Transit  
PPACG Community Advisory Committee  
Colorado Department of Transportation  
Colorado Department of Transportation  
Pikes Peak Library District Foundation  
PPACG Community Advisory Committee  
MOVE Colorado  
Colorado Springs Airport

Mr. Bill Knapp	CH2M HILL
Ms. Paula Miller	Pikes Peak Library District
Ms. JoAnn Orsborn	Pikes Peak Library District
Ms. Wendy Pettit	Colorado Department of Transportation
Ms. Sherre Ritenour	Colorado Springs Transit
Ms. Janet Stephens	El Paso County
Mr. Dan Stuart	Citizen
Mr. Bob Torres	Carter & Burgess
Mr. Robert Vinton	Colorado Department of Transportation
Ms. Elena Wilken	Colorado Association of Transit Agencies

### **STAFF**

Mr. Robert MacDonald, Executive Director  
Mr. Craig Casper, Transportation Director  
Mr. Mike Decker, PPAAA Director  
Ms. Annie Oatman-Gardner, Military Impact Planning Coordinator  
Mr. Aaron Klibaner, Regional Planning Manager  
Ms. Barb Louricas, Executive Secretary  
Mr. Rich Muzzy, Environmental Program Manager  
Mr. Ken Prather, Transportation Planner  
Ms. Margaret Shelton, Accounting Manager  
Mr. Warren Whiteaker, Transportation Planner  
Ms. Jennifer Young, Policy and Communications Manager

### **06-193 INTRODUCTIONS & CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Williams established a quorum for the Board of Directors. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Introductions were made.

Commissioner Williams reported that the Baptist Road RTA sales tax issue passed.

Vice Mayor Small indicated that the Colorado Springs Downtown Development Authority passed.

### **06-194 AGENDA APPROVAL**

Mayor Stevens made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Ignatius seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **06-195 PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Ms. Elena Wilkin, Colorado Association of Transit Agencies (CASTA) Assistant Director, presented Commissioner Wayne Williams with a token of appreciation for his service to Coloradoans and Transit. Commissioner Williams served on the state 10% For Transit Task Force over the summer.

### **06-196 APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 11, 2006 MEETING**

Mayor Stevens made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **06-197 CONSENT CALENDAR**

The following items were acted on as a whole by the Board:

- Membership Appointments: Community Advisory Committee, Transportation Advisory Committee, and Specialized Transportation Advisory Committee
- Emergency Response Clause for Pikes Peak Area Agency on Aging Four-Year Plan

Mayor Stevens made a motion to approve the items on the consent calendar. Commissioner Ignatius seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **06-198 RESOURCE ALLOCATION FOR THE 2008-2035 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND 2009-2014 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

Ms. Heather Copp, Chief Financial Officer of CDOT, discussed the process used for resource allocation. Ms. Copp said that CDOT has been meeting with the staffs of MPOs for the last several months. Ms. Copp reported that the resource allocation identifies the potential revenues available for the future. The second step is to identify the projects to be funded.

Ms. Copp reported that the revenue forecasts show that the current funding trends do not properly address the Transportation Commission's targets for the state highway system. Ms. Copp indicated that the Transportation Commission continues to identify system quality (maintenance) as the main focus. Ms. Copp said there is also an emphasis on mobility and congestion and safety is high on the priority list. Ms. Copp requested input from the Board.

*Mayor Max Parker arrived.*

Ms. Copp outlined the scenarios and their assumptions that the committees used to select the probable revenue projection. Ms. Copp provided handouts that showed resource allocation by state funding category.

Ms. Copp said that the Transportation Commission has set aside \$45 million from SB-01 funds for the SH 16 interchange.

Mr. Casper said that project costs have increased and the result is that not as many projects will be completed.

Commissioner Schooler said that the Transportation Commission wants citizens to be aware that there is a funding shortfall. The priority is to maintain the existing system—overlying, patching, and other maintenance and there is no funding for new projects. An additional funding source is needed.

Mr. MacDonald requested Board direction. There is a difference in the calculation used by CDOT and by PPACG. Mr. MacDonald said the difference is about \$900 million in the long-range plan and \$300 million in the six-year TIP/STIP.

Mr. Casper said that the calculation used by CDOT and PPACG differ in using total system funds versus using region only funds. CDOT shifts funding to the maintenance category to help meet the system quality goals.

Mr. Jennifer Finch, CDOT Director of Transportation Development, said that the PPACG/CDOT MOU states 9.48% as a base. Ms. Finch said that in the last plan in July 2004 the resource allocation that was adopted was close to the percentage—8.7% and when all of the other funding was added came to be 9.4%. Ms. Finch said that when 7<sup>th</sup>-pot projects are completed, more funds will be available.

Ms. Copp said that statewide pools are specific such as aeronautical and rock fall funds are used specifically for those categories and cannot be programmed for other projects.

Mr. Casper said that the 7.3% from the CDOT TIP projections is outside of the 2% difference. The MOU states that when the difference is over 2%, the Board should meet with the Commission to discuss the allocations.

Mr. Casper said that the next Commission meeting is December 16 and will take action on resource allocation at that meeting.

Mayor Stevens made a motion to continue the action at the December 13 Board meeting regarding the revenue forecasts for the long-range plan and transportation improvement program. Vice Mayor Small seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **06-199 FY-2007 THROUGH FY-2012 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT #5**

Mr. Ken Prather, PPACG Transportation Planner, said TIP Amendment #5 requires two actions: 1) rollover two projects from the last TIP with no funding changes and 2) add additional funds to several projects.

Mr. Prather said that reducing funds to the Woodland Park Express Bus project would impact the operational support. The project is a fully viable project and will remain on schedule to begin in FY-08. At the last Transportation Advisory Committee meeting, the committee expressed its desire to maintain its commitment to the project and restore funding as soon as possible.

Mayor Stevens made a motion to approve Amendment #5 to the FY-2007 through FY-2012 Transportation Improvement Plan with a commitment to restore funding to the Woodland Park Express Bus project as soon as possible. Commissioner Ignatius seconded the motion.

A representative from the Pikes Peak Library District said that the project from the Library District is important to Falcon, Peyton, Calhan, and the Pikes Peak Region and thanked the Board for passing Amendment #5 to the FY-2007 through FY-2012 TIP.

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **06-200 MOVE COLORADO PRESENTATION ON TRANSPORTATION FUNDING AND NEEDS**

Mr. Randy Harrison, MOVE Colorado Executive Director, discussed the goal of MOVE Colorado to generate additional funding for state transportation projects. Mr. Harrison invited the PPACG Board to join the organization.

Mr. Harrison said the vision of MOVE Colorado is to be the pacesetter and advocacy group for funding statewide transportation, and MOVE Colorado supports voter initiatives to finance transportation. MOVE Colorado has four focus areas: 1) develop a stronger advocacy program; 2) develop a strategic marketing and polling program; 3) package transportation funding solutions; 4) implement major ballot initiatives.

Mr. Harrison said that fee for a council membership is either \$2,500 or \$5,000. The website for MOVE Colorado is [www.movecolorado.org](http://www.movecolorado.org) and has a lot of information.

Commissioner Williams said that PPACG is prohibited from spending more than \$50 in advocacy efforts for ballot issues. Mr. Harrison indicated that MOVE Colorado is a 501(c)(6) trade organization and is an education and advocacy group and not the funding source.

Commissioner Williams suggested that PPACG staff pursue legality of association with MOVE Colorado.

Mr. Dan Stuart, former Transportation Commissioner representing the Pikes Peak Region, said that polls show that 7% of respondents suggest that transportation is a number one priority for action.

#### **06-201 2006 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS GRANT: PIKES PEAK REGIONAL HOUSING AFFORDABILITY STUDY PHASE ONE**

*Commissioner Terry Schooler departed the meeting.*

*Mayor Byron Glenn departed the meeting.*

Mr. Aaron Klibaner, PPACG Regional Economic Planning Program Manager, provided a brief overview of the current housing affordability study. He further stated that the 2007 DOLA grant will fund the continuation of the housing affordability study to determine if area residents can afford a median-priced home in the region.

#### **06-202 PPACG 2007 DRAFT BUDGET REVISIONS**

Mr. MacDonald indicated that revised budget details have been disseminated to reflect the change to the \$35,000 DOLA Grant. Mr. MacDonald said that approval of the budget will be requested in December.

Mr. MacDonald said that the OEA grant is part of the 2007 budget and is known as the Military Impact Planning (MIP) Program. Ms. Oatman-Gardner is one of two employees who will be employed to work on the project. Interviews are being held for the second position. Mr. MacDonald said that a contract for consultant team is being negotiated.

#### **06-203 COMMUNICATION ITEMS**

There were no questions.

#### **06-204 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. MacDonald said that PPACG staff has been meeting with El Paso County, City of Colorado Springs, and City of Manitou Springs on the "no man's land" project for design planning and to estimate a funding amount. Mr. MacDonald said the estimated cost is \$3 million. The City of Manitou Springs has completed their portion of the design.

Commissioner Clark said that she and Mayor Morrison would like to be added to the list for planning meetings for this project.

Commissioner Clark requested that PPACG track the progress of Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) and advocate for the smaller entities of the Pikes Peak Region. Mr. MacDonald stated that he will investigate this program and report back to the Board at a future meeting.

#### **06-205 PPACG FINANCIAL REPORTS**

There were no questions.

## **06-206 COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT**

There were no questions.

## **06-207 MEMBER ENTITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner Clark requested that the Community Advisory Committee give a report at the Board meetings. Commissioner Williams suggested that the presentation be moved closer to the beginning of the meeting.

Mayor Stevens made a motion to go into Closed Executive Session to discuss the Annual Evaluation of the Executive Director. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board went into Closed Executive Session at 11:10, with the following in attendance: Commissioner Ignatius, Mayor Stevens, Councilmember Heimlicher, Commissioner Williams, Mayor Parker, Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Hisey, and Councilmember Small.

The Board came out of Closed Executive Session at 12:08 p.m.

Commissioner Williams gave Mr. MacDonald feedback on his annual performance and gave him details of his 2007 proposed salary increase. Commissioner Williams requested that the Annual Evaluation of the Executive Director be put on the December agenda under Consent Items.

## **06-208 ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Williams adjourned the meeting at 12:09 pm.