



**Minutes
Of the
Community Advisory Committee
Wednesday, September 21, 2005
3:00 p.m.
PPACG Conference Room**

1. **Call to Order / Establish a Quorum / Introductions**

Dr. Jaitly called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and a quorum was established. Introductions were made and the following were in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Kailash Jaitly, Chairperson
Jan Doran, 1st Vice-Chairperson
Chuck Erwin, 2nd Vice-Chairperson
Francine Hansen
Rose Mary Havel
Dr. John Morse, Ph.D.
Richard Jones
Michael Felschow
Steve Rodemer

REPRESENTING

City of Colorado Springs
Neighborhood of Organizational
El Paso County
Council of Neighborhood Org.
League of Women Voters
Silver Key Senior Services, Inc.
Citizen-at-Large
Citizen-at-Large

GUESTS PRESENT

Mary Frye
Aaron Klibaner
Richard Muzzy

PPACG, Transportation Planner
PPACG, Regional Planning Program Mgr
PPACG,

2. **Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Ms. Doran to approve the agenda and seconded by Mr. Morse. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **Public Comments – Items Not On the Agenda**

No Public Comments.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Rodemer to approve the minutes from July 21, 2005, meeting and seconded by Mr. Erwin. The motion passed unanimously.

5. **Report on Action Taken by the PPACG Board of Directors**

Ms. Jones reported the approved items and consent items from the Board of Directors meeting. One item in particular which sparked an interest was the approval of the Board to support Referendum C&D. Dr. Jaitly stated he is very much in favor of these items and will be writing letters to the newspapers stating his position and support. Dr. Jaitly opened the table for discussion. Ms. Doran stated the League of Women Voters is having a debate on September 29, 2005 at the City Auditorium at 6:30 p.m. This is free to the public and the Governor will be attending. Ms. Havel stated there is also another presentation being supported by the League of Women Voters on October 1st at Colorado College, Warner Hall.

6. **Revised Regional Transportation Planning Public Involvement Procedures**

Ms. Frye stated this is the final version of the document. She reminded members that the Regional Transportation Planning Public Involvement Procedures had been under development since late last year. Last Spring the document was developed the document and reviewed through the committee process and later released for 45-days of public review. The new federal transportation legislation, referred to as "SAFETEA-LU", included several changes that impact how public involvement is addressed. Ms. Frye said that to the extent possible, these changes have been incorporated into the latest version of the document. She related that additional changes may be necessary once the federal regulations, expected to take 18 months to 2 years to complete, are codified. She noted that the document has a provision regarding how changes are made.

Mr. Felschow stated that he would like to postpone recommendation of approval of this document until it has been determined what effect additional changes brought about by the federal rules making process will have. The committee briefly discussed Mr. Felschow's proposal. He felt that if changes were only administrative, there would not need to be a 45-day public review requirement. However, significant adjustments responding to the SAFETEA-LU regulation should undergo the 45-day public review. Mr. Felschow motioned to add a caveat that states that when the SAFETEA-LU regulations have been completed, if significant changes need to be addressed in the Regional Transportation Planning Public Involvement Procedures as determined by the Board, then there will be through the formal public involvement process [45 day public review of changes to the Regional Transportation Planning Public Involvement Procedures]. Administrative changes only would not require additional public review. Jan Doran seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

7. **Presentation on the Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments**

Ms. Frye, PPACG Transportation Planner, Rich Muzzy, Environmental Program Manager, and Aaron Klibaner, Regional Planning Program Manager, gave a presentation providing an overview of the planning responsibilities of the PPACG. PPACG is a basically a planning agency. Incorporated within the PPACG are several programs:

- Pikes Peak Area Agency on Aging, which addresses programs for seniors,

- PPACG serves as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for transportation planning within the urbanized area,
- The water quality planning agency for the region,
- The lead agency for air quality planning in the urbanized portions of El Paso County and Teller County,
- Collecting data and exchanging information, and
- Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority (PPRTA).

Ms. Doran requested this presentation, if possible, be included with the minutes.

8. **Air Quality Update – 2005 Ozone Season**

Rich Muzzy, Environmental Program Manager, gave a brief update of the Air Quality and the 2005 Ozone Season.

9. **Memberships**

Ms. Frye and Ms. Jones brought the committee up to speed on what will be happening within the next couple of months. Letters will be sent out to current committee members letting them know if their term is up or if they would like to serve longer on the committee. It was brought to the attention of the Ms Jones that she should be sending letters of reminders to those committee members who have missed two consecutive meetings.

8. **Community Liaison Reports**

None

9. **Communications and Announcements**

None

10. **Action Items for Next Meeting**

Ms. Frye stated that she will consult with Dr. Jaitly about canceling the October meeting due to lack of agenda items. Transportation is soliciting projects, however, the list of projects will not be available before November 4th. A meeting will be held in November to bring the list of projects to the Community Advisory Committee.

11. **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Mr. Rodemer to adjourn meeting and seconded by Mr. Erwin. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.