

TRANSPORTATION BOARD

TYPE OF MEETING – REGULAR

Gavaldon made a motion, seconded by York, to approve the minutes of the August 2022 meeting as written. The motion was adopted unanimously with Dyr Dahl and Rachline abstaining.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Active Modes Plan – Cortney Geary

Cortney Geary, FC Moves Active Modes Manager, stated the Bicycle Advisory Committee had a special meeting on September 15th which gave it the opportunity to provide some additional feedback and present a motion on the Active Modes Plan. She stated the Committee made a motion to recommend to the Transportation Board to recommend to Council to adopt the Plan with a significant recommendation for the Plan to have a goal of 50% active mode share of all trips with funding in the implementation plan to support that. Geary stated staff believes that goal is achievable and adjustments can be made to the implementation plan to recommend the funding and program of projects that could help achieve the goal.

Dyr Dahl asked about the correlation of the Active Modes Plan with the budget outcome areas. Geary replied the Active Modes program has a budget offer for ongoing funding for its work with active modes planning, micro-mobility work, and various events. She discussed other budget offers related to active modes and implementation options.

Gavaldon asked how many changes have been made to the Plan regarding the mode share goal. Geary replied the former mode share goal was 20%, which was based on commute trips that are currently at 10%. She noted the BAC wanted the goal to reflect all types of trips, not just commute trips, and the travel diary study showed a current active modes share of about 22%; therefore, the new goal of 50% will slightly more than double the goal for all types of trips. She stated the commute mode share goal may not be the best metric, particularly given Covid-era changes in commuting, and measuring all types of trips will be a better metric in terms of implementing the recommendations.

Gavaldon asked if the vehicle miles traveled metric accounts for all trips. Geary replied in the affirmative and stated calculations show there could be a 20% reduction in vehicle miles traveled if a 50% active modes share for all trips could be achieved. She stated reaching the goal will require aggressive implementation of the infrastructure improvements and some challenging policy; however, she does not believe it is unattainable.

Gavaldon expressed concern the goals are too lofty to be attainable.

York expressed support for changing the goal to be for overall trips and expressed support for the 50% goal. Blochowiak concurred.

Owens asked if a low-stress pedestrian crossing map was considered. Geary replied she just discussed that with Toole Design, the consulting firm, and it seems to be

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something they will be able to address.

York made a motion, seconded by Owens, to accept the Bicycle Advisory Committee's recommendation to approve the Plan and to recommend its adoption by Council.

Gavaldon stated he would not support the motion as he would like to see more achievable goals as part of the Plan.

Dyrdahl stated it would be helpful to include implementation phases by year in the Plan in order to help with loftier goals being more precise. She stated she would support the motion.

The vote on the motion was as follows: Yeas: Brown, Dyrdahl, York, Owens, and Blochowiak. Nays: Gavaldon. Abstain: Rachline.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Introduction of New Transportation Board Members

Iverson stated there are two new Board members, Ed Peyronnin and Jess Dyrdahl.

Dyrdahl introduced herself and discussed her experience in running for City Council and desire to continually improve upon Fort Collins through work on Boards and Commissions.

Other Board members introduced themselves to Dyrdahl and described their interest in transportation issues.

b. Review of City Manager's Proposed City Budget – Aaron Iverson

Dyrdahl requested a brief explanation of how the Transportation Board interacts with the budget process.

Vice Chair Brown outlined the budgeting for outcomes process and the ways the Board provides input.

Iverson provided the letter from the BAC around its budget recommendations. He noted it highlighted four currently unfunded offers the BAC would like to see considered for funding: 27.14, an enhancement offer for school transportation safety assessments and strategic infrastructure for youth, 27.15, a FTE to run the Shift Your Ride travel options program, 36.9, neighborhood traffic mitigation program expansion, and 54.7, asset management for parks, hard-surface trails, and infrastructure replacement. Iverson noted the Shift Your Ride travel options program itself has been recommended for funding.

(**Secretary's Note: Chair Hart arrived at this point in the meeting.)

Chair Hart and Dyrdahl introduced themselves to one another.