

**CITY OF BOULDER
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BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETING
MINUTES**

Name of Board/ Commission: Transportation Advisory Board	
Date of Meeting: April 9, 2018	
Contact Information Preparing Summary: Meredith Schleske 303.441.3204	
Board Members Present: Bill Rigler; Johnny Drozdek; Tila Duhaime; Mark McIntyre Board Members Absent: Jennifer Nicoll	
Staff Present: Mike Gardner-Sweeney, Director of Public Works for Transportation Kathleen Bracke, GO Boulder Manager Bill Cowern, Principal Traffic Engineer David "DK" Kemp, Senior Transportation Planner Ryan Noles, Transportation Planner Randall Rutsch, Senior Transportation Planner Gerrit Slatter, Principal Capital Projects Transportation Engineer Jean Sanson, Senior Transportation Planner Natalie Stiffler, Senior Transportation Planner Amy Lewin, Transportation Planner Michelle Melonakis, Transportation Engineer Chris Hagelin, Senior Transportation Planner Meghan Wilson, Communications Manager Meredith Schleske, Board Secretary	
Type of Meeting: Advisory/ Regular	
Agenda Item 1: Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.	[6:02 p.m.]
Agenda Item 2: Swearing in of New Member: Mark McIntyre Bill Rigler welcomed and swore in new TAB member Mark McIntyre.	[6:02 p.m.]
Agenda Item 3: Election of Board Officers A. Chair Motion: moved to elect Rigler as Chair. Motion: Duhaime Rigler declined Motion: moved to elect Nicoll as Chair. Motion: Drozdek Second: Rigler Motion passes 4:0:0 B. Vice Chair Motion: moved to elect Rigler as Vice Chair. Motion: Duhaime Second: Drozdek Motion passes 4:0:0 C. Secretary Appoint Schleske as Secretary.	[6:03 p.m.]
Agenda Item 4: Approval of minutes from March 2018 Move to approve 12 March, 2018 minutes – tabled to May meeting to allow time for review.	[6:05 p.m.]
Agenda Item 5: Public Participation • Gary Berg, 2489 Colorado Avenue – co-founder, managing partner of The Academy Retirement Community at Chautauqua. Spoke at Planning Board and City Council about two projects: proposed Mapleton hospital project at 4 th Street and proposed Fruehauf Gardens project. Thought it would be helpful to update TAB about discussions of traffic, mobility, parking. Following Park to Park discussion. Pedestrian path to Sanitas	[6:06 p.m.]

trail system goes through their property – hope to have a pedestrian easement to allow it to continue. Also planning to have fleet of e cars for residents. At Fruehauf, plan to be 100% permanently affordable and ban personal cars. Good feedback so far, great location for walkability and transit, plan to partner with companies offering cars with drivers, vans and transit. Becoming educated on the East Arapahoe corridor developments.

TAB Feedback:

- Question regarding size of various locations.

Agenda Item 6: Safe Streets Boulder – Vision Zero (TVZ) Implementation

This item was presented as part of agenda item #9.

Agenda Item 7: Public hearing and TAB consideration of a recommendation regarding the Neighborhood Speed Management Program (NSMP) final simple project list

[6:09 p.m.]

Ryan Noles made the report to the board.

Executive Summary

Following development and City Council acceptance of the new Neighborhood Speed Management Program (NSMP), staff conducted an expedited application process for simple projects to start construction development in 2018. For background on this process, please refer to the March 12, 2018 Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) NSMP memorandum.

Staff presented the preliminary results of the scoring and ranking of the simple projects from the expedited application process to TAB on March 12, 2018. The preliminary list of simple projects is provided in **Attachment A** and represents neighborhood applications from fall 2017, which are planned for installation beginning in mid-2018.

Following the March TAB meeting, staff notified all NSMP applicants of the preliminary list of projects and invited them to participate in this public hearing at the April 9 TAB meeting. The public hearing will give applicants an opportunity to provide public comment on specific applications for TAB consideration.

As part of the April 9 public hearing, staff is seeking a recommendation from TAB to support the proposed prioritized list of simple projects to be developed for installation in 2018. If supported by TAB, staff will use the simple project list to begin the design process with residents at several neighborhood forums in May. Staff will check-in with TAB in June to highlight the project installation next steps based on the design process, and community feedback from the May neighborhood forums.

As a reminder, the NSMP process requires a TAB recommendation for advancing the annual list of simple projects. For more complex NSMP projects which require more substantive construction and cost, in addition to TAB recommendation, the NSMP process also includes seeking approval from City Council.

Public Comment

- Donna Pyle, 1530 Judson Drive –concerns about Ithaca Drive speed management. Only wrecks are from running the stop sign, prefers the city to spend money on other things, for example, bike safety education. Believes most neighbors support that view.
- Bruce Mason, 990 Ithaca Drive – retired attorney, can attest to 60+% of vehicles speeding. Cars going uphill from Table Mesa at higher speed limit, recommends speed bump probably around Colby Drive, to north or south. Traffic on either side is speeding.
- Tricia Martines, 920 Hawthorne Avenue – in support of the 9th and Hawthorn traffic mitigation project, thanks to staff for recommending. There are no speed calming devices along Hawthorn hill, cars go well over 25 mph limit, many children don't look carefully, two pets killed last summer. Neighbors agree. Must cross Hawthorn to get to schoolground.
- Garret Savage, 901 Hawthorn Avenue – I support the speed mitigation project for Hawthorn and ditto Tricia's comments. Concerned about speeding cars and trucks, in favor of mitigation.
- Fred Smith, 1000 Ithaca Drive – advocate for Ithaca speed bump as a city priority based on volume and city analyses of traffic. Traffic increasing, high number of cars exceeding limit.
- Stephanie Collins, 925 Ithaca and Reese Williams, 910 Ithaca – we would like to express our desire to find a speed mitigation project on Ithaca Drive in South Boulder. We are the co-applicants of the Ithaca project request. Both have children, cat killed on corner. Bus riders, Bill Bauer Park across the way. At least 34 neighbors advocate for speed mitigation.

- Braden Mark, 7322 Augusta Drive – attending to reinforce our community’s need for city investment to mitigate speed on Augusta Drive. Ranked high on staff list, semicircle, feeds from different streets then to Lookout Road which leads to main shopping area in Gunbarrel. Estimates 35 – 40 houses; at least half have children. High number of speeders, stop sign problem. Thank you for consideration. Park is funded by homeowners but serves as a public park, lots of non-residents come over, only playground in area besides school.
- Holly Hendrickson, 815 35th Street – safety issues, increased family presence, bike accident. Increased pressure on street – CU dump trucks, RTD buses, city vehicles, increased traffic using 35th Street as an alternate to 30th Street. Led petition, neighbors identified two issues: concern about bike safety, increased traffic.
- Isaac Velandar, 785 35th Street – here to advocate for speed management on 35th Street, to make the street safer for our families. Neighborhood popular for young families’ affordability, nervous about young son on pedal bike.
- Daniel Schreiber, 1038 Kalmia Avenue – thanks for taking on this project. Collected signatures in his neighborhood. How many projects might be funded? On ranking, auto crashes are important. Kalmia is a long through street. Lots of construction, their vehicles going fast, children, no speed reduction in place Broadway to 4th Street.
- Mark Stobbs, 820 35th Street – I manage the NextDoor neighborhood for Aurora 7, 240 members. Neighbors on 35th Street are very concerned about increased traffic from the new CU dormitory under construction dumping into our thoroughfare. A speed bump in the middle of our block and better signage would help our families with children and pets to feel far safer. Lots of speed discussion, parking overflow from CU Research Park creates visibility issue for drivers. Encourage speed control.

TAB Feedback:

- Attendees encouraged to write letters to editors, KGNU, letters to city council.
- Request to explain Augusta Drive neighborhood layout in conjunction with private park.
- Questions about speed hump cost, design science, alternative features, activity generator rating, impact of including a privately funded and maintained park in the scoring.
- Comment about level of public interest and defining point criteria. Caution expressed concerning wealthier areas of town.
- Appreciation expressed to residents in attendance, opinion that Safe Streets initiative needs to focus more on speeding, should be more transparent.
- Question raised about how it would be communicated and implemented if scoring parameters were changed.
- Encouragement to document treatment alternatives including the full spectrum of traffic calming devices used in city, with pricing.
- Inquiry about what happens if approved projects run out of money.
- Request for detailed public information campaign.
- Question about how NSMP differs from the former Neighborhood Transportation Mitigation Program (NTMP), how other mitigations happened and potential for them to be used in NSMP.

TAB Discussion:

- Change prioritization by adding five points to the Edinboro project due to the presence of a school; change prioritization by removing five points from activity generator for Augusta Drive due to the park not being a city park.
- Concern about precedent.
- 2019 dollars will have to be prioritized for simple and complex projects.
- Top ranked project has lowest number of cars.
- Question whether an activity generator should be a criterion.
- Concern about funding private space but some private parks function as public parks.

Motion: moved to add activity generator points to the Edinboro project and approve simple projects list as recommended by staff.

Motion: Duhaime Second: McIntyre

Motion passes 4:0:0

Agenda Item 8: Public hearing and TAB consideration of a recommendation regarding Dockless Bikeshare ordinance [7:20 p.m.]

Executive Summary

In fall 2017, several new for-profit bike share operators approached the City of Boulder seeking the opportunity to begin using an alternative approach to the current designated bike share stations of the Boulder B-cycle model and implement “dockless” or “stationless” bike share that do not require bikes to be parked or checked out from a docking station.

Based on national and international experiences, dockless bike share systems can create many negative community consequences if not managed in a comprehensive manner. While the city cannot legally prohibit dockless bike share companies from doing business in Boulder, the city can put regulations in place to govern this new type of dockless bike share model that operates within public right of way. It is therefore important for City Council to consider regulations now to take advantage of possible benefits of dockless bike share while preventing negative impacts. Staff is proposing an ordinance with a sunset provision to establish licensing requirements that achieve the city’s Transportation Master Plan (TMP) goals of encouraging bicycling and providing more options for first and final mile transit connections, while also reducing the potential for negative consequences of dockless bike share operations. Staff will monitor implementation on coordinate with the operators on a quarterly basis to ensure they are meeting the city’s operational and customer service expectations. Additionally, staff will evaluate the overall effectiveness of the proposed regulations prior to the sunset of the provision in August 2020.

If approved by council, dockless bike share operators will be able to apply for licenses beginning in June 2018. Community engagement and on-going monitoring will continue from summer 2018 through summer 2020 to assess the pilot program to ensure this new form of bike sharing is consistent with city expectations for safety, reliability and community compatibility.

Public Participation

- Joel Gilbert, 474 Arapahoe Avenue – concerned about viable business model (on usage fees only?) “Eye sore” factor of bikes laying around town. Avid supporter of bike sharing, founding member of Boulder Bikeshare. Great idea to have pilot. Hold contractors’ feet to fire, don’t end up like China.
- Kevin Crouse, 2815 Elm Avenue – I would like to discuss the requirement of the proposed bike sharing ordinance and comment on feasibility. Very aware, supports ordinance, sets high bar for tidy bike sharing, not sure it’s sustainable. Technology and business model might evolve. B-Cycle hope was to be self-sustaining, not yet achieved.
- Marcus Pachner, 4700 East 6th Avenue, Denver – I would like to make a few suggested changes to the Bike Share Pilot Program, speaking on behalf of ofo. CU alumnus, remarkable culture and lifestyle. ofo would like to participate as an operator doesn’t offer integrated locking. That standard is prohibitive, requests that standard lock be the standard. Solutions include geo-fencing for where to park. Operators cannot function on only 100 bikes.

Request for TAB: staff is seeking TAB consideration of a recommendation to City Council regarding this proposed dockless bike share pilot program ordinance.

TAB Discussion:

- Question about length of time required for city manager approval of ordinance.
- Inquiries regarding how 100 bikes criterion was established, who set criteria, why integrated locking is required and alternatives.
- Concern that the proportion of e bikes required may be too high, the starting maximum fleet of 100 may be too low, maximum flexibility should be allowed for integrated lock.
- Question about the primary goal of this program.
- Concerns expressed regarding parking, if sites have been identified, why the city is doing so instead of requiring businesses to do so, if operators can impose penalties when bikes are improperly parked and estimated frequency.
- Question about data to be provided by operators and if it becomes public record.
- Concerns about social equity, how “dumb” phone users find a bike.

Motion: moved to recommend adoption of ordinance as drafted to City Council, to provide dockless bikeshare, noting TAB concerns that 1) maximum flexibility about the integrated locking mechanism, 2) 100 maximum initial bikes allowed may be too low, and 3) 50% ratio of e bikes required may be too high.

Motion: Rigler Second: Drozdek

Motion passes 4:0:0

Agenda Item 9: Staff briefing and TAB feedback regarding Vision Zero, Renewed Vision for Transit, and scoping for 2018/19 Transportation Master Plan (TMP) update in advance of City Council Study Session on April 24, 2018 [8:20 p.m.]

Randall Rutsch, Kathleen Bracke, David Kemp, Jean Sanson, and Natalie Stiffler made the report to the board.

Executive Summary

The city's Transportation Division is providing the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) with an update on the implementation of Boulder's Transportation Master Plan (TMP) and key initiatives for the 2018-19 work program at the April 9 board meeting.

Implementation of the TMP takes many forms, including continuous improvement with daily operations and core community services. This update is an opportunity to highlight progress in several key areas and seek TAB feedback to share with City Council at the upcoming April 24 Study Session. Highlighted topics areas include:

- Safety: Vision Zero, including progress on implementation to-date and scoping the 2018 Safe Streets Boulder Report;
- Renewed Vision for Transit, including the preferred alternative and draft vision plan for the East Arapahoe/SH7 corridor and the Transit Service Delivery Study range of options;
 - Informational updates are provided regarding the Downtown Boulder Station planning, HOP Transit Study and RTD Pass Program Working Group recommendations;
- Scoping the 2018-19 TMP update, including focus area topics and community engagement approach.

Vision Zero – David Kemp made the report to the board.

Vision Zero Questions for TAB

- Feedback on key take-aways?
- Does TAB have feedback on the Vision Zero actions to-date?
- Does TAB have suggestions for the scoping process for the 2018 Safe Streets Boulder Report?

TAB Feedback:

- Concern expressed regarding how the statement, "We're blind to each other" might be considered by the sight-impaired community.
- Observation that the "4 Es" (Engineering, Education, Evaluation, Enforcement) report does not mention speed.
- Recommendation to mention new things you're doing in more than one place.
- Question whether community discussion of flashing yellow arrows has changed staff perspective.
- Encouraged to strengthen message of urgency.

East Arapahoe Transportation Plan (EATP) – Jean Sanson made the report to the board.

East Arapahoe Transportation Plan questions for TAB

- Feedback on Key Take-aways?
- Does TAB have feedback regarding the Draft East Arapahoe Transportation Plan
- Is there additional information TAB would like to request prior to the EATP public hearing at the May 14, 2018 TAB meeting?

TAB Feedback:

- Be prepared to answer whether EATP would be needed if Boulder imposed a new job moratorium.
- Expand current right-of-way underutilization language and emphasize that it will get a lot worse if we don't fix it. Include comments that adding lanes won't fix the problem; if Boulder does not have a plan, it will not receive federal funding.
- Replace "responsive" with "proactive."
- Quantify number of meetings, number of people talked to, other community engagement metrics.
- Include conformity with public participation working group followed by a community engagement slide.
- Underscore that the EATP is in adherence with current TMP.
- Change green font to another color.

Renewed Vision for Transit – Natalie Stiffler made the report to the board.

Renewed vision for transit questions for TAB

- Feedback on Key Take-aways?
- Does TAB have feedback regarding the range of governance models?

- For upcoming evaluation of transit service governance models, what information would be most helpful for TAB to compare the models?

TAB Feedback:

- Inquiry about other funding sources.
- Question regarding potential governance models and difference between options 5b and 6.

2018-19 Transportation Master Plan (TMP) Update Scoping – Randall Rutsch made the report to the board.

2018-19 Transportation Master Plan (TMP) Update Scoping questions for TAB

- Feedback on Key Take-aways?
- Does TAB have questions or suggestions to help shape the 2018-19 TMP update scope and process, including Focus Area topics and/or the community engagement process?

TAB Feedback:

- Suggestion to consider transportation disruptors and potential related goals.
- Hope expressed that some short “sayings” will come out of the update that will resonate in the community and enter the public vernacular.
- Comment that it is a huge magnitude of work.
- Suggestion that TAB may need to meet more often.
- Suggestion to clarify how some criteria are factored, such as VMT.

Agenda 10: Staff briefing and TAB feedback regarding 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

Overview (Part I of III)

[10:03 p.m.]

Gerrit Slatter made the report to the board.

Executive Summary:

Each year, the city goes through an annual budget process in which departments create a six-year Capital Improvement Program (this year for the time period of 2019 through 2024). The Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) role in this process is defined in the Boulder Revised Code (BRC) TITLE 2 GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION, Chapter 3 Boards and Commissions, Section 14 - Transportation Advisory Board; “. . . to review all city transportation environmental assessments and capital improvements.” It is within this context that the board is asked to hold a public hearing and provide a recommendation on the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to Planning Board and the City Council, scheduled for the June TAB meeting. This packet item is intended to initiate this process by providing background information and analysis, a tentative schedule and key issues for this year.

The funding situation for the Transportation Division is of vital importance to the planning and programming of the CIP process for 2018 and beyond. There are a number of factors that are reducing the ability of the Transportation Division to fund and deliver programs and projects consistent with the goals and objectives of the Transportation Master Plan (TMP). These included reduced sales/use tax revenue the primary funding source for city transportation funding, reduced opportunities for federal/state grant funds and reduced purchasing power.

Request for TAB

Staff requests that TAB review the background information and provide feedback to staff on how we can best support board discussions and deliberations.

TAB Feedback:

- Question regarding goal of tying funding to transportation infrastructure usage.
- Question regarding Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) \$3 million allocation.
- Question about split between major maintenance and capital improvement.
- Suggestion to visually display relative size of “pots.”
- Request to detail primary priorities.

Agenda Item 11: Matters

[10:27 p.m.]

A. Matters from the Board

- Updates re: collaboration with other city boards
 - HOP Study (Rigler)
 - Vision Zero Community Partnership Committee (Nicoll)
 - East Arapahoe Transportation Plan (Drozdek)
 - 30th & Colorado Corridor Studies (Rigler)

- Appoint TAB Representative to Greenways Advisory Committee (GAC) – Johnny Drozdek.
- Open Board Comment
 - Question about noise ordinance on Flagstaff – not in City of Boulder.
 - Question about the TAB resolution addressed to Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) – sent to CDOT.
 - Question about how the Cyclists for Community (C4C) variable message boards – CDOT approved Boulder County using on SH 36 north of town, no acceptance of city offer to share theirs.
- Reminder - TAB Retreat is scheduled for May 2, 2018 at First Presbyterian Church, Boulder.

B. Matters from the Staff/ Non-Agenda / 10:32p.m.

- Brief Update on Neighborhood Permit Parking Program (NPP) (Cowern)
- Regional studies update (Gardner-Sweeney)
 - o SH 119 Bus Rapid Transit & commuter bikeway
- Vine Avenue Design – TAB role (Gardner-Sweeney) – entitlements and plan are already in place; communicated to resident.
- Other matters
 - May 24 reception for new and exiting board and commission members.
 - Community Vitality will talk about Neighborhood Permit Parking (NPP) at May TAB meeting, including community engagement process and NPP updates.
 - Three Information Packet (IP) items including Access Management and Parking Strategy combined into one submission for May 3rd will be forwarded to TAB.
 - NPP Open House May 25, What’s Up Boulder Open House May 30
 - Question if parking will move to transportation – consultant to be engaged.

Agenda Item 12: Future Schedule Discussion

[10:41 p.m.]

Agenda Item 13: Adjournment

[10:41 p.m.]

There being no further business to come before the board at this time, by motion regularly adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 10:41 p.m.

**Motion: moved to adjourn: Drozdek Second: McIntyre
Motion passes 4:0:0**

Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be a regular meeting on Monday, 14 May, 2018 in the Council Chambers, 2nd floor of the Municipal Building, at 6 p.m.; unless otherwise decided by staff and the Board.

APPROVED BY:

William J. Ross
Board Vice Chair

14 May 2018
Date

ATTESTED:

[Signature]
Board Secretary

5/14/18
Date

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