**NATA Board Meeting Minutes**

**May 28, 2020**

**7:30-9:15am**

**Zoom Virtual Meeting**

**Meeting Recording:** [**https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=974**](https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=974)

**Welcome and introductions by Chair Julie Mullica. Instructions to sign-in via the Chat function.**

**NATA Members (on the call)**

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| **Bo Martinez** | ACREP | **Kevin Ash** | Frederick Staff |
| **Deb Durand** | ACREP | **Phil Greenwald** | Longmont Staff |
| **Steve O’Dorisio** | Adams County Comm. | **Julie Mullica** | Northglenn Council |
| **Chris Chovan** | Adams County Staff | **Sara Dusenberry** | Northglenn Staff |
| **Kristin Sullivan** | Adams County Staff | **Carson Priest** | SCMN  |
| **Adam Cushing** | Brighton Council | **Catherine Sanders** | SCMN |
| **Greg Mills** | Brighton Mayor | **Karen Stuart** | SCMN |
| **Todd Fessenden** | Erie Staff | **Tammy Herreid** | SCMN |
| **Elizabeth Law-Evans** | Broomfield Council | **Julia Marvin** | Thornton Council |
| **Nicole Frank** | Commerce City Council | **Jessica Sandgren** | Thornton Mayor Pro Tem |
| **Brent Soderlin** | Commerce City Staff | **Kent Moorman** | Thornton Staff |
| **Joe Wilson** | Commerce City Staff | **Anita Seitz** | Westminster Mayor Pro Tem |
| **Malcolm Fleming** | Erie Manager | **Debra Baskett** | Westminster Staff |
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**SCMN Members (on the call)**

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| **Joyce Downing** | Northglenn Council | **Emily Atencio** | St. Anthony North |
| **Myron Hora** | WSP | **Carla Perez** | HDR |

**Agency Partners (on the call)**

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| **Adam Parks** | CDOT | **Alex Gordon** | NFRMPO |
| **Andy Stratton** | CDOT | **Henry Stopplekamp** | RTD |
| **Danny Herman** | CDOT | **Lisa Trujillo** | RTD |
| **Heather Paddock** | CDOT | **Paul DesRocher** | RTD |
| **Jan Rowe** | CDOT | **Pauline Haberman** | RTD |
| **Jordan Rude** | CDOT | **Michael Ford** | RTD |
| **Julie George** | CDOT | **Judy Lubow** | RTD Board |
| **Dan Marcucci** | CDOT | **Lynn Guissinger** | RTD Board |
| **Jessie Carson** | E-470 | **Shelly Cook** | RTD Board |
| **Randy Grauberger** | Front Range Rail Com | **Troy Whitmore** | RTD Board |
|  |  | **Vince Buzek** | RTD Board |

 **Guests (on the call)**

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| **Shawn Lindabury** | CBRE/Amazon | **Neal Goffinet** | FHU |
| **Sophie Shulman** | CDOT | **Kevin Vargas** | Rep. Jason Crow |
| **Jeremy Rodriguez** | Cong. Perlmutter  | **Steven Emmen** | Senator Gardner |

* **Approval of February 27, 2020 NATA Meeting Minutes**

***Approval of February 27, 2020 Meeting Minutes:*** *Motion to approve minutes made by Mayor Pro Tem Sandgren, seconded by Council Member Downing and approved unanimously.*

* **Introduction of the Adams County Regional Economic Partnership (ACREP) by Bo Martinez, President and CEO**

*(Full introduction available on meeting recording starting here:* [*https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=1191*](https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=1191)*).*

Bo Martinez, the new president and CEO of the new ACREP, a newly formed partnership combining the original ACED and Metro North Chamber organizations and explained the 5 Pillars of Success guiding the new organization.

* **Smart Commute update: Carson Priest, Tammy Herreid**

*(Full presentation available on meeting recording starting here:* [*https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=1386*](https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=1386)*).*

* **Work Plan update: Pre-COVID, current COVID –** The COVID crisis significantly changed Smart Commute’s work plan for the year (postponing large events and in-person meetings), but Smart Commute quickly adapted, offering more support for teleworking as well as pertinent information about RTD changes.
* **“5 Tips” videos, webinars –** Smart Commute has started to produce short “5 Tips” videos as well as webinars to offer information during the at home period, and shared two that have already been produced on teleworking and biking.
* **144th FlexRide, Uber Rides, EasyMile –** 144th FlexRide has continued to be a strong program. Ridership is at 2.2 boardings per hour, which makes it the strongest FlexRide for ridership running in the RTD district, and the only FlexRide that has had a ridership increase. This service started with the hypothesis that there was workforce demand for transit and this is strongly indicated with ridership levels. Smart Commute has partnered with Denver Regional Mobility and Access Council to offer $25 Uber vouchers to essential workforce without a transit solution during this time. Smart Commute also connected Easy Mile with a Westminster project to deliver food to homebound people with its driverless shuttle.
* **Update on Leave Behind, Priority Projects List –** The Leave Behind is coming together well, and the draft has been reviewed by SPC. The Priority Projects List for the leave behind document will be reviewed by NATA for jurisdictional amendments by NATA at June meeting.

* **CDOT Transportation Commission Update- TC Vice Chair Karen Stuart**

*(Full presentation available on meeting recording starting here:* [*https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=1978*](https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=1978)*).*

* **Statewide Transportation Plan –** Transportation Commission is completing a 4-year update of the SWTP. The plan goes out for public comment June 1, and back to the Transportation Commission August 1 for final adoption. Full document is available: <https://www.codot.gov/programs/your-transportation-priorities/assets/ytp-10yearvision.pdf>.
* **Budget implications for 10 year project pipeline list –** Transportation Commission is discussing worst-case scenarios. The 10 year project plan will remain with project priorities intact; no new projects added or any removed, although it may take a longer timeframe to complete the list now. The Transportation Commission is exploring other ways to fund – or finance – projects; possibly a Corridor TIFIA Loan that could fund multiple improvements on I-25, particularly Segments 7and 8 and might also be able to fund I-25 improvements at 84th. There will need to be discussion about revenue that is being generated on our Segments 2 and 3 from toll collection, insuring this money is used to complete the PEL improvement package from 84th to Thornton Parkway.
* **Segment 3 Managed Lanes Tolling start-up –** Segment 3 Managed Lanes not seeing very much use during this Safer at Home directive. They are currently free, but tolling will go live June 10.
* **RTD Directors Comments- Director Vince Buzek, Director Troy Whitmore, Director Lynn Guissinger, Director Judy Lubow, Director Shelly Cook**

*(Full presentation available on the meeting recording starting here:* [*https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=2556*](https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=2556)*)*

* **N-Line update**
* **Legislative update**

**Director Buzek:** Construction progressing on N Line. Testing and punch-list items are progressing. Contractor did not hand over the N Line on May 4 due to COVID. Contractor will probably be done in the next few weeks. PTC is coming on next week. Parking garage at 104th is deemed safe. RTD is considering that the N Line will run on a COVID schedule upon opening (30-minute headways rather than 20-minute). Service is currently fare-free and rear-boarding, with health and safety a top priority.

**Director Lubow**: Reported on progress on Peak Service Plan for the Northwest Rail. Correspondence is on-going with Burlington Northern on design studies to determine the full costs.

**Director Whitmore:** Discussion with Legislature has continued (ongoing for many months). SB 151 was postponed indefinitely this week. Chairs of the State Legislative Transportation Committee are continuing to look at oversight, and have been given permission for a late bill, although discussion has continued and has been positive. RTD hasn’t seen a draft of a possible conceptual bill. RTD wants to find a compromise outside of legislation.

**Director Guissinger**: RTD wants to be a part of the solution and work toward it. A compromise is under review with the governor now, and hopefully something to announce in the near future.

**Director Whitmore**: the Board is also reviewing options for staff furloughs as part of addressing budget shortfalls.

*Discussion included questions about financial situation and FISA, especially discussion about the protection of FISA, and bringing letter to RTD Board with “in-person” testimony.*

*NATA Chair Julie Mullica will be sending a letter once again encouraging RTD to preserve the FISA and continue to use it exclusively for the completion of unfinished FasTracks corridors.*

* **CDOT update**

*(Full presentation available on the meeting recording starting here:* [*https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=4408*](https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=4408)*)*

* **I-270 Project Update by Adam Parks –** Presented on I-270 corridor. I-270 is the most congested corridor in the State of Colorado. Reviewed past studies, information about current NEPA process, with potential crew deployment in 2020 to collect data.
* **I-25/84th EA –postponed until a Later Meeting**

*Discussion included thanks for the focus on 270, as well as recognition of great local need. Full presentation is available on the meeting recording.*

* ***The Future of Clean Mobility* Presentation by Sophie Shulman, CDOT Office of Innovative Mobility**

*(Full presentation available on the meeting recording starting here:* [*https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=4952*](https://youtu.be/qf4FnI2pQNU?t=4952)*)*

*Sophie Shulman presented on the CDOT Office of Innovative Mobility and efforts toward electrification and transit, along with new technology toward clean transportation.*

**Meeting adjourned at 9:06 am.**