

**MINUTES  
OF THE  
EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE  
Thursday, September 14, 2017 1:30 p.m.  
Council Chambers  
City/School Administration Center  
Rapid City, South Dakota**

**DRAFT**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kip Harrington via Proxy for Steve Allender – Mayor of Rapid City, Patrick Dame – Rapid City Airport, Robert Heidgerken – Meade County Commissioner, Larry Larson – Mayor of Box Elder, Steve Palmer via Proxy for the South Dakota Transportation Commission, Linda Rausch – Meade County Commissioner and Jason Salamun – Rapid City City Council

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Deb Hadcock – Pennington County Commissioner, Jeff Hollingshead – Box Elder City Council and Lloyd LaCroix – Pennington County Commissioner

**STAFF PRESENT:** Katie Parker – Rapid City Community Planning and Development Services

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Lyle DeVries and Todd Frisbie – Felsburg Holt & Ullevig

Chair Heidgerken called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

**General Public Comment**

There was no comment.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 15, 2017 MEETING**

**Remmich moved, Rausch seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the June 15, 2017 meeting.**

**17TP018 – Approve the 2018 Unified Planning Work Program –Draft.** Harrington reviewed this document that includes the annual activities, planning studies, and products to be developed by the Metropolitan Planning Organization for 2018 with the committee. Harrington also stated that the Unified Planning Work Program also identifies funding and staffing for conducting these tasks.

Heidgerken disclosed that the Meade County corridor study between Erickson Ranch Road and 143rd Avenue listed on page 10 has the potential to run through property that he currently owns.

**Dame moved, Larson seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the 2018 Unified Planning Work Program – Draft.**

**17TP019 – Approve the Railroad Quiet Zone Study Public Participation Plan.** Harrington informed the committee of the plan to generate ideas and build support by engaging residents, businesses, elected officials and other stakeholders throughout the community for this study. Harrington further stated that this would be for the downtown area of Rapid City only.

In response to a question from Rausch, Harrington replied that the technology used would be flashing lights and gate arms at most railroad intersections. Harrington went on to explain that a risk index will determine what methods are used.

Salamun disclosed that the company he is employed by owns property next to the railroad track in the downtown area and would be abstaining from this vote.

**Larson moved, Rausch seconded and motion carried with one abstention to approve the Railroad Quiet Zone Study Public Participation Plan.**

**17TP020 – Approve the Cambell Street/East North Corridor Study Public Participation Plan.** Harrington advised of the plan to generate ideas and build support by engaging residents, businesses, elected officials and other stakeholders throughout the community for this study.

**Larson moved, Dame seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Cambell Street/East North Corridor Study Public Participation Plan.**

**17TP021 – Approve Resolution #2017-01: A Minor Update to the RapidTRIP 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan.** Harrington reminded the committee that in December 2015, President Obama signed the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) into law. Harrington further stated that in order to comply with FAST Act, the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization desires to amend the RapidTRIP 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan to support the Safety Performance Measures and Transit Asset Management Goals established by SDDOT.

**Salamun moved, Larson seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution #2017-01: A Minor Update to the RapidTRIP 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan.**

**Other Business**

**Update on Construction Projects**

Palmer provided information on the current construction projects within the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization area. Discussion ensued.

**Update on Planning Projects**

Harrington informed the committee that Ken Young has been hired as the director of the Community Planning and Development Services Department. Young will start on September 25.

Harrington provided information on the current planning projects within the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization area.

DeVries and Frisbie gave a brief presentation on the I-90 Corridor Exit 61 to Exit 67 Corridor Study.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:06 p.m.