

**MINUTES
OF THE
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, April 15 2021, 7:30 a.m.
Zoom Teleconference/Council Chambers
Rapid City, South Dakota**

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Boylan, Bob Burns, Amy Richie, Tom Raymond, Dr. Bret Lingwall, and Wes Rick

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jen Red Bear, Bob Heidgerken and Tim Rangitsch

STAFF PRESENT: Kip Harrington, Kelly Brennan and Melissa Karpo – Rapid City Department of Community Development

OTHERS PRESENT: Sarah Gilkerson – South Dakota Department of Transportation and Mark Hoines – Federal Highway Administration

Burns called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.

General Public Comment

Richie inquired if there were any transportation public surveys coming soon. Brennan advised the Transit Development Plan will be coming forward.

Business

Raymond moved, Rick seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the February 11, 2021 meeting.

21TP003 – Approve the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization 2020 Traffic Counts Report. Brennan reviewed the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization 2020 Traffic Counts Report that provides the public and business community with traffic count data to make informed decisions. The 2020 traffic counts saw a larger amount of negative percent changes from 2019. Many factors including the Covid-19 pandemic, construction, weather, and land use changes can influence daily traffic counts. Historically, the traffic counts are growing overall, with yearly fluctuations.

Lingwall moved, Boylan seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization 2020 Traffic Counts Report.

21TP008 – Approve the Section 5310 Award Recommendation. The Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) receives federal funds on a yearly basis as part of the Federal Transit Administration’s Section 5310 program to provide capital assistance to elderly persons and/or persons with disabilities. The Rapid City Area MPO solicited applications from entities throughout the region regarding assistance with vehicles and/or operating costs. Funding is provided as an 80/20 split for capital costs and as a 50/50 split for operating costs. Three organizations submitted applications for review. The scoring committee, which is composed of Rapid City Staff and MPO representatives, recommends granting \$90,000 to Black Hills Works for two ADA minivans. These minivans will enable wheelchair transit options to assist Black Hills

Works in eliminating transportation gaps identified in the Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan. Brennan reviewed the Award Recommendation.

Raymond moved, Boylan seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Section 5310 Award Recommendation.

Update on Construction Projects

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

Update on Planning Projects

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

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 a.m.