

Transportation Meeting

February 4, 2020

These notes are representations of this meeting, and may not have been approved by the Commission.

Minutes from January Adopted? Held off

Rob and Sandy have developed this agenda for the meeting:

- Review and approve 1/20 minutes
- Review and approve 2/20 minutes
- Discussion for establishing a Traffic Calming Proposal review Committee
- Discussion for establishing a Bike / Trails Committee
- Discussion for establishing a bus route / on demand transit Committee
- Discussion of formal request for the City Council to authorize the TC to exercise oversight of annual Traffic Calming budget.
- Discussion of formal request for the City Council to make the TC a referral agency for review of development proposals of a certain criteria, and at discretion of COGWS engineering staff on a project by project basis.

I would like to add the review of the Bell Rippy project to the agenda, perhaps at the end. (This is the large 95 unit project off of Palmer, close to the BRT facility)

I don't have any information yet from the Take a Minute Campaign as to whether they still intend to come to the meeting to request funding. I will update you when we have more information.

Take a minute ideas

Asked if the City could Support their effort. Could be a part of what we do with the traffic calming Funds. As a reminder we have \$50,000 Grant. This is more of a campaign.

Placing banners at the high school during games, being at the career days to hand out stickers. Radio spots. Yard signs. They have met with RFTA. Letters to the editor. They don't really have hard data traffic counts lowering speeds. CDOT has been involved with signing down I-70. Is it really achieving the overall goal. Police tickets done on Grand Ave? Is this achieving the overall goal?

Last year we had the \$50,000 dollar grand how much did we spend? We didn't spend any of it last year.

Is there an issue with speeding? There are some hot spots around the City such as 8th street.

Susan Stewart will be at the next meeting.

Invite New Chief (Joseph Deras) to come in and sit in on the meeting in February.

We should honor the Blake proposal first. It did stop because Tanya left but now, we have Linda in her place to get that back up and running.

Snow Removal

-Reached out to other communities about how the handle snow removal (Vail doesn't allow you park in the ROW) New Castle plows to the middle of the street. Rifle never answered. Aspen has a snow melt system they 270 trips a night. Push everything to the outside.

-We are looking to breaking up the City into 8 or 9 zones, try and keep them small enough to let people know where to park so that we can clean up the streets. Every month or once a quarter we are coming in to clean one half the road. Could we come up with a permanent sign letting people know exactly what dates their street will be cleaned. It would have to consistent for all seasons. Define the suggestion a little more. Not sure once a quarter is enough. Still need more time to define this idea

Vision Statement

Draft Visioning Statement

The Transportation Commission strives to ensure its priorities at all times align with the Strategic Vision and Transportation Plan of the City of Glenwood Springs.

Relevant to transportation priorities, the City's Strategic Vision and goals include:

- Maintaining Glenwood Springs' small-town character;
- Developing, constructing, repairing and maintaining high quality infrastructure;
- Improving the city's transportation system to meet growing needs for circulation, access, safety and transit;
- Ensuring accessibility to recreation facilities and amenities;
- Opposing any threats to livability and the environment of our community; and
- Supporting local businesses to enhance economic success.

The City's Transportation Plan's strategic vision is to create a multi-modal transportation system that efficiently moves people and goods, enhances the quality of life, promotes economic vitality and preserves the historic community character that is Glenwood Springs.

The Transportation Commission prioritizes its efforts, and evaluates development / transportation proposals submitted to it for comment, according to each's capacity to further the following priorities:

- 1) Developing and maintaining a robust, integrated, user friendly transportation system for all modes of travel, serving the entire municipality of Glenwood Springs.
- 2) Reducing the impacts of commuter traffic on the resident individuals, businesses and cultural identity of Glenwood Springs.
- 3) Annually updating a proactive, equitable schedule for the repair, reconstruction, maintenance, signing and striping of existing streets.
- 4) Fostering and encouraging the use of emerging alternative mobility options including, but not limited to: cycling, e-bikes, electric vehicles, scooters, on-demand transit, ride-sharing, and efficient non-redundant bus & public transit options.
- 5) Encouraging the City's leadership in regional planning coordination efforts significant to the Roaring Fork and Grand Valley corridors.

We should modify point #3 add annually updating our large and small capital projects lists and a review and recommendation for proposed schedule for the repair, reconstruction maintenance and signing and striping of existing streets. We are getting closer at finishing the Visioning Statement.

Still hung up on the word Commuter. We can use the word Traffic instead of Commuter. Traffic is a good catch all. Taking Commuter out of point #2.

Rob will revise the statement and send it out before the next meeting

Oversight authority

Larger scale projects Bell Rippy project Coming back through in a short time frame, No final plan yet. Would be something this body could look at for recommendations for public safety and transportation. If this group would like to see those things, then we would have to sit within the right time frames. Anything that involves increasing or decreasing parking we should hear and what impact this has on the transportation committee could have a big impact on public transportation. Focus on variances

Allow Terri to be the gateway to what should be reviewed. Would be nice to have our commission to recommend transportation ideas to developments coming in would be great. One of the things Tanya worked with the cycling committee was assibilating and clearly defined routes through town on existing streets most of it maybe look into making improvements maybe we can work with Linda to revive this during the summer, could be part of a trails plan. This commission could be highly involved in deciding in transportation trails or routes.