

CITIZEN TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

The Citizen Transportation Advisory Board met Monday, October 23, 2023, remotely.

I. Tom called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm

II. Roll Call - Board members present: Steve Teets, Ray Amaya, Thomas Donkle, Jimmy Jones, Wendi Young, Bart Smith, Steve Teets, Bart Smith, Jim Riesberg, and James Bailey
Absent: Amanda Castle (unexcused)

City staff included Will Jones, Michelle Johnson, Leroy Baca, Bhooshan Karnik, Steven Younkin, Paul Trombino, and Karen Scopel

III. Approval of minutes - The minutes from September 23rd were approved by a motion and unanimous vote of the Board members present.

IV. Public comment - None

V. Staff report:

a. CIP Update: None

b. Transportation: None

c. Engineering – School Safety Program: Leroy Baca

The TMC serves as a centralized control center for monitoring and managing traffic and transportation related operations within the city. It is equipped with cutting edge technology (sensors, cameras, drones, and traffic control).

The installation of School Safe Hits (channelizers, rapid beacons, hawk signals) demonstrates a commitment to the safety and wellbeing of the community, and cooperation between schools, parents, and local authorities. The safe hits act as a safeguard in case a driver accidentally veers off course, providing an added layer of protection for pedestrians. Safe hits encourage drivers to slow down, especially in school zones, creating a safer walk to and from school. Safe Hits clearly marks boundaries of school zones making drivers aware they are entering an area with an increased presence of students.

Neighborhood Safety Program Goals: Steven Younkin

The neighborhood calming goals are to decrease crashes, improve neighborhood safety and comfort, reduce neighborhood through traffic, and encourage walking/biking.

Staff utilizes a point system to create a safety index to treat and prioritize. The available points are speed, traffic control, crash history, adjacent lands (schools, parks), and ped/bike levels. The typical types of traffic calming are medians - the center of the roadway can reduce pedestrian crossing distances, pinch point - restrict motorists from operating at high speeds, chicane – slow motorists by alternating parking along the corridor, lane shift, speed bump, and 2-way streets. The 2023 budget for safety projects has covered mostly speed bumps (\$120,610) and raised crosswalks (\$39,170) the total for all calming projects is \$268,975. Most of the speed bumps are in the Virginia Hills neighborhood and the 66th Ave corridor.

The following are proposed projects for 2024:

- 71st Ave by Tointon school, a crossing beacon with speed signs
- 16th St from 35th Ave to 47th Ave, speed signs
- 4th St and 43rd Ave at Larson Trail, trail crossing
- 42nd Ave and 20th St intersection, pedestrian crossing

VI. Directors Report:

a. Director's Report – Paul Trombino

- The City Manager along with City staff were in Washington and met with delegates for a couple of projects including the MERGE project.
- ARPA funds were approved and are receiving \$2.42 million for the 15th Ave overpass project and \$1.6 million for sidewalk improvements and the Poudre restoration project.

b. Special Projects – Trails Master Plan Update: Karen Scopel

The Trails Master Plan was last updated in 2002 and a lot has change in the past 20 years thoughtful planning allows Greeley to maintain its quality of life as it grows. The updated plan will identify the top priorities for future trail construction based on a series of criteria, including cost, location, maximizing public benefit and ecosystem resilience while maximizing natural hazards. Trails are an essential amenity for Greeley recreation, connectivity and to promote wellbeing and overall health.

After the public engagement process, the final Trails Master Plan will go to the Park and Recreation Advisory Board and City Council for review and approval, the plan will guide the next 10 years of trail building in Greeley.

VII. New business - None

VIII. Round Table & Proposed Agenda items for December 4th, 2023: All

- Review of right of way permits

IX. The meeting adjourned at 4:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Donkle
Chairman

Date

1/22/23

Valerie Ramirez-Elizalde
Recording Secretary

Date

1/22/23

