



## The Citizen Transportation Advisor Board Minutes

April 27, 2026, at 3:00 pm

1. Call to Order
  - Tom Donkle called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm
2. Roll Call
  - Board/Commission member present – Tom Donkle, James Bailey, Steve Teets, Jim Riesberg, Eva Maines, Wendi Young, and Ally Johnson.
  - Board/Commission members absent –
  - City Employees present – Bret Naber, Wendy Behtel, Hanna Feldmann, Steven Younkin and Michelle Johnson.
  - Other guest in attendance – N/A
3. Approval of the minutes
  - The minutes from March 23, 2026, were approved by a motion and unanimous vote of the board members.
4. Citizen Input
  - N/A
5. Old Business:
  - **Transit Bus Break System:** The group discussed ongoing concerns about squeaky brakes in the city's bus fleet, with Bret Naber explaining that while there have been some noise complaints, the current brake system issues are not unusual for heavy-duty vehicles and are being addressed through regular maintenance. It was discussed that replacing brake pads costs approximately \$20,000 per bus. Steve Teets suggested exploring alternatives to complete brake replacements, such as maintenance and lubrication techniques, to address the squeaking issue without significant costs. The group acknowledged that while the squeaking may be annoying, it is not currently a safety concern, and any funding for repairs would need to come from specific transit-related funds. Michelle Johnson explained that the city's buses are funded through a 50/50 split between Federal Transit Administration funds and city general funds, with maintenance split 80/20 in favor of federal funds. The next bus replacements are scheduled for 2028,
  - **SS4A:** Steven Younkin presented a comprehensive update on the SS4A project, which received nearly \$10 million in federal funding and will implement safety countermeasures at 128 locations across the city. Steven also presented the completed road safety audit process, which involved a multidisciplinary team conducting field reviews at various locations and producing a 200+ page report that will be incorporated into the SS4A plan. He outlined 12 countermeasures identified for implementation, including chicane installations, speed radar, speed feedback signs, rapid reflective

flashing beacons, roundabouts, speed humps, intersection daylighting, and lane reconfiguration, all of which must be temporary and quick build due to federal grant requirements. The team is now moving into the public outreach phase, planning workshops and pop-up events to engage with business owners, institutions, and residents about the upcoming road projects that will remove approximately 1,900 parking spaces. Construction is scheduled to begin at the end of the year, with Steven noting that UNC has agreed to collaborate on projects near the campus when school is out of session during winter and spring breaks. On April 30, 2026, a meeting was scheduled by the Greeley Walks event at the Greeley Recenter at 6:07 pm. A version of Steven Younkin SS4A presentation will be shown at the event. The group discussed safety grants, including Safe Routes to School and Highway Safety Improvement Program grants, with Steven explaining that about 90% of the SS4A grant funds would be spent on construction while the remaining 10% covers outreach, design, and NEPA activities. Tom Donkle raised a concern about coordinating safety improvements with downtown stormwater projects to avoid conflicts, which Steven assured was being carefully managed.

- **CIP Written:** Steven Younkin gave a quick and brief update on the CIP project currently going on.
- **CTAB Work Plan/By Laws:** Tom Donkle proposed creating a goal-setting framework for the committee, with members suggesting a focus on improving communication and transparency. The group identified issues with current communication methods, including lack of neighborhood notifications and limited use of social media and libraries for information sharing. They agreed to explore better outreach strategies, including potentially working with HOAs and using neighborhood platforms like Next Door.

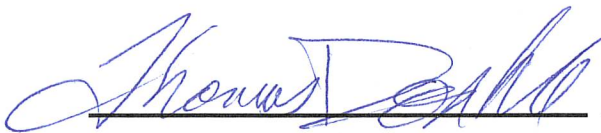
6. New Business:

- Steve Teets made a motion to move the May meeting to May 18<sup>th</sup>, second by Eva Maines, all agreed, Motion passed.
- A motion was made by Jim Riesberg, second by James Bailey to approve the changes to the By Laws all agreed, Motion passed.

7. Round table & Proposed agenda items for April

- Meeting ran out of time; there were no proposed agenda items.

8. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 5:02 pm



(Thomas Donkle) – Chair



(Lesley Fuentes) – Staff Liaison or Dept Manager