

The Bridge Enterprise (BE) Board and High Performance Transportation Enterprise (HPTE) Board met on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 to approve resolutions for the financial close of the Central 70 Project. The Transportation Commission will meet on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 for a special meeting. These meetings were conducted and hosted at CDOT HQ Auditorium.

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Transportation Commission Committee Meetings Tuesday, December 5, 2017, 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Call to Order and Roll Call: CDOT HQ Auditorium – Three Commissioners attended via telephone – Connell, D’Angelo, and Hofmeister; eight Commissioners attended in person – Stuart, Thiebaut, Peterson, Gifford, Hall, Gilliland, Scott, and Zink.

Public Comment, Time Limit: 3 minutes per speaker – No public comments were received.

BRIDGE ENTERPRISE BOARD OF DIRECTORS - Discuss and Act on Resolution #BE-17-12-1 Approving Certain Matters with Respect to the Colorado Bridge Enterprise Senior Revenue Bonds (Central 70 Project), Series 2017, and Colorado Bridge Enterprise First Tier Subordinate Revenue Note (Central 70 Project)

- **The BE Board approved Resolution 17-12-1 unanimously via Roll Call Vote on December 5, 2017**

BRIDGE ENTERPRISE BOARD OF DIRECTORS - Discuss and Act on Resolution #BE-17-12-2 Approving the First Amendment to the Central 70 Project Agreement and Approving the Lenders Direct Agreement for the Central 70 Project.

- **The BE Board approved Resolution 17-12-2 unanimously via Roll Call Vote on December 5, 2017**

HPTE BOARD OF DIRECTORS - Discuss and Act on Resolution #254 approving the First Amendment to the Central 70 Project Agreement and Approving the Lenders Direct Agreement for the Central 70 Project

- **The HPTE Board approved Resolution #254 unanimously via Roll Call Vote on December 5, 2017**

Bridge Enterprise Board Special Meeting Wednesday, December 13, 2017, 11:00 am – 11:35 pm

Discuss and Act to approve Mike Lewis as Bridge Enterprise Director– Resolution BE – 17-2-3 was approved unanimously on December 13, 2017

Discuss and Act on Central 70 Financial Close Resolution TC#17-12-4 – Approved unanimously on December 13, 2017

Public Comments: 3 min. per speaker

No public comments were received at this meeting.

Transportation Commission Special Meeting

Wednesday, December 13, 2017, 11:35 am – 1:00 pm

Call to Order and Roll Call: CDOT HQ Auditorium – Ten Commissioners were in attendance with Commissioner Gifford excused.

Public Comments: 3 min. per speaker

No public comments were received at this meeting.

Discuss and Act on the Proposed 6th Budget Supplement (Jeff Sudmeier) – Approved unanimously on December 13, 2017

- Region 1 - \$ 1,400,000 – Project 20848 Geo-Hazard Clear Creek Canyon Phase 4 – Rockfall Mitigation (RFM)
- Region 1 - \$ 4,000,000 – I-25 South “Gap” Project – RAMP HPTE Development Funds

Workshop on Identification of Potential Ballot Projects for 2018 (Debra Perkins-Smith and Herman Stockinger)

Purpose: To discuss approach and proposed projects for development of a list of high priority projects across the state should a transportation ballot measure be proposed in 2018.

Action: Input requested on both approach and proposed projects. The Commission was asked to review staff work up to this point, the outcome of the STAC’s initial review, and provide direction to staff with an anticipated January adoption of a list by the Commission (if adoption of a list proves necessary).

Ballot List Status

- Need for the ballot list will depend on whether or not transportation advocates are ready to submit a list in January after the January Commission meeting. If advocates are not ready, then no adoption of the list will be requested of the Commission.
- It is uncertain how much funding will be covered on the ballot list – so this would change the list too.

STAC Input

- The Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC) met last Friday and agreed to move ahead with preparing to adopt a list in January if necessary.
- Thad Noll noted that STAC is on board with what is proposed currently on the project list for the Regions.

SB 267 Tie in to Ballot List

- This concept of tying together/considering the funds anticipated from SB267 with the creation of the ballot list was discussed. For example, if there are no toll projects included in the ballot list.
- Commissioners noted that maintaining flexibility for the list was important as priorities may change.

Ballot List Messaging

- Commissioners noted that how the list is presented to constituents is an important consideration.
- Conducting polling on projects was also discussed.
- Need to also convey to public that surface treatment projects will still occur in their area, even if not on the ballot list. The same is also true project already in the STIP.
- Executive Director Lewis agreed and re-emphasized the importance of how this is messaged to the public. Commissioners noted the need to evaluate target markets and use common language in communications regarding the ballot list.

Funding Distribution

- It was proposed that the same formula used to distribute Regional Priority Program (RPP) funds among the Regions be used for the ballot list too.
- The Commission did not raise any issues with the RPP distribution formulas being used for the ballot list; just stressed the need to keep the proper balance between rural and urban areas.
- An estimate for the ballot assumes roughly that:
 - 45% goes to highways
 - 15% to transit
 - 20% to cities

- 20% to counties

Statewide Programs

- The Commission was asked to comment on the concept of listing statewide programs with \$500 million of funds from the \$6 billion set aside. Statewide programs listed are numerous to provide flexibility.
- For \$500 million statewide programs are proposed – it was noted that geographic equity needs to be considered; idea is to look at the programs (buckets) and then distribute funds.
- CDOT staff to do more analysis of programs and will back more recommendations to the Commission next month.
- It was noted that if the statewide program is honored that projects mapped to date for each Region would not come off the map totally, but could be left on with the scope of work revised/lessened.
- The Commission supported listing programs to provide flexibility and to not necessarily list dollar amounts or percentages for each program at this point – staff to work more on this.
- Having the Statewide programs would help with spreading improvements potentially to every county in the state; right now each Transportation Planning Region has a project, but not every county. Need to strike the right balance of spreading out projects to get list passed.

Truck Parking Program

- Commissioner Hofmeister raised concern over keeping truck parking as a program and CDOT should leave this up to private industry to address.
- Regional Transportation Directors noted that truck parking facilities are critical especially when interstates close. It was also noted that incident management activities require large parking areas in order to respond appropriately.
- A truck parking study is underway to evaluate concerns related to CDOT's jurisdiction.
- The Commission decided not to take truck parking off the program list.

Ballot List

- The project list is \$6 billion.
- It was also noted that a list of projects that do not improve the system as a whole is not necessarily optimal either – need equity and system-wide improvement from the list.
- Wildlife protection is another criteria raised by a Commissioner pertaining to Safety. Parks and Wildlife bringing funding to the table too. Need to look at hot spots for wildlife crashes.
- Regional Transportation Director, or their Commission representative, presented the projects proposed for listing by Region. See the [Workshop on Identification of Potential Ballot Projects for 2018](#) packet for more details on the workshop and the maps of projects by Region, that are provided at the end of the packet.
- No specific comments were raised by the Commissioners as the projects were presented.
- Commissioner Stuart expressed support for including on the list a multimodal intersection between Bustang, and RTD at the I-25 and SH 7 intersection. Also for SH 119 local dollars are being contributed to support RTD and CDOT improvements to this roadway.

Technology and Safety

- In terms of technology impacts to congestion there are two schools of thought – technology will increase vehicle miles traveled as folks who don't drive will obtain mobility and place more demand on the system, or the capacity provided by technology could increase roadway capacity up to 400%.
- A safety map that was animated was presented to the Commission to demonstrate how fatalities occurred and increased from 2007 through 2016. This is a national problem. A discussion ensued regarding the need for change in operator behavior as the majority of crashes (82%) are operator error. It is the hope that technology that takes operational responsibility away from humans will greatly increase safety. Connected vehicle technology exists today, but autonomous vehicles are at least 10 years away from substantial market penetration.

Next Steps

- Need to work more with locals on identifying ballot projects too; it was noted that currently CDOT staff is deferring to the Regional Transportation Directors for identification of top priorities in their areas.
- Herman noted that more work to determine proposed priorities will be completed by staff for next month. Will work with the Division of Transit & Rail on this too.