Chelan-Douglas Transportation Council (CDTC)

MEETING MINUTES | NOVEMBER 18, 2021

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Randy Agnew, City of Rock Island (*Zoom*) Jerrilea Crawford, City of East Wenatchee Jim Fletcher, City of Cashmere Kevin Overbay, Chelan County JC Baldwin, CDRPA Richard DeRock, Link Transit Frank Kuntz, City of Wenatchee Dave Bierschbach, WSDOT-NCR

STAFF & EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeff Wilkens, Executive Director Riley Shewak, Transportation Planner Carl Florea, City of Leavenworth Jill Thompson, Town of Waterville

Chad Daggett, Clerk of the Board Janet Conklin, City of Bridgeport Bob Goedde, City of Chelan

GUESTS PRESENT:

Rob Jammerman, City of Wenatchee Josh Patrick, Chelan County Tom Wachholder, City of Leavenworth Christine Johnson, Aging & Adult Care Mark Spurgeon, CDRPA Christina Barone, Link Transit Terri Weiss, Upper Valley Mend Garren Melton, City of East Wenatchee Chris Keifenheim, WSDOT-NCR George Mazur, WSDOT-NCR Max Nelson, WSDOT-NCR Jeff Deal, WSDOT-NCR Kate Tollefson, WSDOT-NCR

The CDTC Governing Board convened in-person at the Confluence Technology Center, 285 Technology Center Way, Wenatchee, WA 98801. The public was able to attend in-person as well as live stream.

1) Call to Order & Introductions

Upon a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. by CDTC Vice-Chair, Jerrilea Crawford; Introductions were made around the room.

2) Approval of Consent Agenda

- November 18, 2021 Draft Meeting Agenda
- October 14, 2021 Draft Meeting Minutes
- Monthly Financial Reports (through September 2021)
- October 2021 Payroll: \$31,001.82
- October 2021 Vouchers/Checks 00351901 00351914: \$11,454.99

Upon a motion by Frank Kuntz, seconded by Kevin Overbay, the Board unanimously approved the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

3) Open Public Comment Period

No public comments were received or heard.

4) Election of 2022 CDTC Board Officers

Upon a motion by Frank Kuntz, seconded by Jim Fletcher, the Board elected Jerrilea Crawford as the 2022 CDTC Governing Board Chair.

JC Baldwin then nominated Kevin Overbay as the Vice-Chair. There were no other nominations.

Upon nomination and a motion by JC Baldwin, seconded by Dave Bierschbach, the Board elected Kevin Overbay to the Vice-Chair position. Motion carried.

5) Approval of SR 28 Corridor Study Contract Supplement

Jeff Wilkens explained the need for a contract supplement to the SR 28 Corridor Study. The Board presented no concerns.

Upon a motion by Frank Kuntz, seconded by Kevin Overbay, the Board unanimously approved the CDTC Executive Director to execute a contract supplement for the SR 28 Corridor Study with the total to be determined once the final fee estimates are provided. Motion carried.

6) Overview of Federal Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act

Jeff Wilkens presented a lengthy overview to the Board regarding the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act which included several handouts (on file). The Board entered discussion; no action was taken.

7) Update on STBG Federal Funding Balance

Jeff Wilkens gave the Board an update on two items related to the STBG federal funding program. He first summarized the results of the federal fiscal year 2021 obligation target for CDTC and resulting reallocation of additional funds to the region that were sanctioned from other underspent programs as well as funds transferred into Washington from other states. He then provided a preliminary estimate of anticipated increase in STBG funds to the region as a result of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and outlined a few options for timing the next call-for-projects. Discussion on this item will be continued at the next meeting.

Dave Bierschbach informed the board that WSDOT has secured an additional \$75,000 to contribute toward the US 2/97 Cascade Intersection project to go with the \$1,200,000 in STBG funds committed by the CDTC board. Jeff Wilkens then noted that the increase in anticipated federal STBG funds would allow CDTC to allocate an additional \$75,000 in funding that, combined with WSDOT's additional contribution, would bring the project to full funding.

Upon a motion by Frank Kuntz, seconded by Kevin Overbay, the Board unanimously awarded the US 2/97 and Cascade Avenue Intersection Improvement project an additional \$75,000 in Surface Transportation Program Block Grant funds. Motion carried.

8) Legislative Update

Jeff Wilkens gave the Board a brief update on the following:

Senator Steve Hobbs is no longer Chair of the Transportation Committee; he was appointed to Secretary of State. Still no determination on the possibility of a gas tax package that could fund Confluence North and Wenatchi Landing Interchange.

9) Director's Report

Jeff Wilkens updated the Board on the following:

- The South Wenatchee Bikeway Study is underway with a few public engagement events scheduled.
- No board meeting in December; the next meeting will be January 13, 2022.

10) Board Member Closing Remarks

After 14 years of service, Mayor Frank Kuntz announced that he is stepping down from the CDTC Governing Board and will appoint a Wenatchee City Councilor to take his place effective January 2022.

Afterward, other board members gave a brief update on their ongoing transportation project(s).

11) Adjournment

Chair-elect Jerrilea Crawford adjourned the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

MINUTES APPROVED: January 13, 2022

Wilkens, Executive Director

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