



# County of Los Alamos

1000 Central Avenue  
Los Alamos, NM 87544

## Minutes

### Transportation Board

*Khalil Spencer Chair; Brian O'Neil, Vice Chair;  
Nancy Jo Barnes, Don Machen, and James L. Nesmith, Members*

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Thursday, July 7, 2016

5:30 PM

Fire Station No. 3, White Rock

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The July 7, 2016 Transportation Board Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Chair Spencer, Vice-chair O'Neil, Member Hardie, and Member Machen; Member Barnes joined the meeting at 5:40 p.m. Member Nesmith, was absent.

Staff in attendance: Philo Shelton, Public Works Director; Jon Bulthuis, Deputy Public Works Director; Bryan Aragon, Senior Engineer; Desirae Lujan, Engineering Project Manager; Louise Romero, Office Manager; Jonathan Henley, Lead Transit Operator; Council Steve Girrens.

Members of the public in attendance: Brenda Fleming, 1420 45th Street; Arin McKenna, LA Monitor; Melissa Arias, 2168 44th Street; Chris Chandler, 1208 9th Street; Elizabeth Jones, 505 Oppenheimer; Sriram Swaminarayan, 719 Jeffrey.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Member Hardie, seconded by Member Machen, that the July 7, 2016 agenda be approved as amended; The June 2 meeting minutes will be included in the August 4, 2016 Transportation Board packet. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

#### 4. LIAISONS' REPORTS

Member Machen did not have an update.

Chair Spencer spoke to Phil Gursky regarding the Comp Plan, Chair Spencer was unable to attend the meeting. He expressed his concern regarding the development south of Trinity Drive and mobility impacts.

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**[8389-16](#)**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The June 2 meeting minutes will be included in the August 4, 2016 Transportation Board packet.

**6. OLD BUSINESS -Possible Action**[8391-16](#)**BIKE/PEDESTRIAN ROUTE CONCEPTS**

Desirae Lujan, Engineering Project Manager presented this item.

Brenda Fleming filed a petition on April 22, 2016 requesting the development of an urban bike path through the center of town connecting to the existing Canyon Rim Trail suitable for all users. The petition was heard at the May 3, 2016 Council meeting and a motion was passed requesting that staff investigate and research the matter in collaboration with the petitioner and return to Council within 90 days with information, options, and/or recommendations for action. A subcommittee was formed. During the months of May and June staff looked at facilities we have in place. A conceptual map was developed and concepts were taken to the subcommittee on Thursday, June 16, 2016. Staff made changes and incorporated comments to the map that were requested by the subcommittee. One of the high priority areas they would like to see built is Canyon Rim Trail up to 15th Street, near Fuller Lodge back around Canyon to Central.

Chair Spencer read an email from Phil Gursky (attached).

Jonathan Henley, 4037 Ridgeway; spoke.

Brenda Fleming, 1420 45th Street; spoke.

Sriram Swaminarayan, 719 Jeffrey; spoke.

Today we are looking for a recommendation to Council for the July 26 Council meeting to meet the 90 day mandate issued by Council.

The following motion was made by Chair Spencer; I move that the Transportation Board approve and advise Council to do further study,

costing and engineering designs into the bicycle, pedestrian and route concepts that were created by the bicycle subcommittee and that the Transportation Board will continue this agenda item as the engineering and routes are developed. The motion was seconded by Vice-chair O'Neil, the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

#### 8390-16

#### TRANSIT UPDATE

Jon Bulthuis, Deputy Public Works Director presented this item.

Summary of survey results - Total of 198 surveys were received.

#### **Ranking for 2M options (weighted):**

1. Extend 2M all the way to Transit Center (operating independent of 2T).
2. Extend 2M all the way to Transit Center (where 2M becomes 2T and alternates on subsequent trips).
3. Keep the current 2M configuration.

#### **Ranking for bi-directional service in White Rock:**

1. Somewhat important (36.3%).
2. Very important (33.4%).
3. Not important (30.3%).

#### **Ranking for Route 3 Options:**

1. Increase service frequency to every 30 minutes, but shorten route to no longer serve Eastgate Drive area (61%).
2. Keep the current Route 3 routing and 60-minute frequency (39.0%).

#### **Ranking for Route 3 Interline:**

1. Route 2T (67%).
2. Route 5 (33%).

#### **Schedule to implement most preferred schedule modifications to Route 2M and Route 3:**

- July 7 - Transportation Board Meeting
- August 8 - Implement Modifications
- August 18 - School Starts

Sriram Swaminarayan, 719 Jeffrey; spoke.

Elizabeth Jones, 505 Oppenheimer; spoke.

The following motion was made by Vice-chair O'Neil; I move that revisions

be made to Route 2M and Route 3, in keeping with the preferred options identified in the survey process, and that the route and schedule modifications be implemented on August 8 with the understanding that we should consider extending service perhaps in White Rock as identified tonight should future funding become available. The motion was seconded by Member Machen, the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS - Possible Action**

[8419-16](#)

### **RANGE ROAD BUS TURN AROUND IMPROVEMENTS**

Bryan Aragon, Senior Engineer presented this item.

The County is proposing to install a bus turn-around on Range Road which will provide Atomic City Transit service to the residents of Ponderosa Estates. Two design options were presented to the Transportation Board. The first option will consist of a one-way loop around the existing mailboxes on Range Road across from Aspen Road. Cost: \$174,007.22.

The second option consists of an eyebrow cul-de-sac located north of the existing mail boxes on the west side of Range Road. Cost: \$90,891.00.

The County is asking the Transportation Board for a recommendation of a particular option for moving forward.

Sriram Swaminarayan, 719 Jeffrey; spoke.

A motion was made by Member Hardie that the Transportation Board recommend Option 2; the motion was seconded by Vice-chair O'Neil, the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

## **8. PROJECT UPDATES**

[8392-16](#)

Public Works Project Updates were briefly discussed.

## **9. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Recruitment of Transportation Board members.

## **10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Bicycle Master Plan.
  2. Complete Streets Discussion in Collaboration with CDD - (Definition of Complete Streets).
  3. Discussion of Comprehensive Plan.
- Chris Chandler, 1208 9th Street; spoke.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Vice Chair O'Neil, seconded by Member Hardie, that the July 7, 2016 meeting be adjourned.

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