



County of Los Alamos

Minutes

Transportation Board

David Hampton, Chair; Nancy Talley, Vice Chair; Michael Altherr; Karen Edwards; Paul Lisowski; and Joshua Muck, Members

Thursday, March 6, 2025

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue, Council
Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

March 6, 2025 Transportation Board Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Six board members were in attendance.

David Hampton

Michael Altherr

Nancy Talley

Joshua Muck attended the meeting via Zoom

Karen Edwards attended the meeting via Zoom

Paul Lisowski attended the meeting via Zoom

Council Liaison:

Melanee Hand attended the meeting via Zoom

Staff in attendance:

Eric Martinez, Public Works Director

Eric Ulibarri, County Engineer

Justin Gibson, Senior Engineer

Karen Henderson, Senior Engineer

James Barela, Transit Manager

Jeremy Lujan, Engineering Associate

Louise Romero, Sr. Management Analyst

Rachel Barela, Senior Office Specialist

AV Support - Amanda Burnworth

Members of the public in attendance:

Conrad Ley - Wilson & Company

Henry Lopez - NCRTD

Bryce Gibson - NCRTD

Dave Collins

Wendy Swanson

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The meeting agenda was approved as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[19887-25](#) Approval of Minutes from the Los Alamos Transportation Board Meeting on February 6, 2025

A motion was made by Chair Hampton, seconded by Member Altherr that the February 6, 2025 meeting minutes be tabled until next month, the motion passed unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS (Action maybe taken on these items)

[19888-25](#) North Central Regional Transit District (NCRTD) - The Blue Bus.

Presented by: James Barela, Transit Manager, Henry Lopez and Bryce Gibson with NCRTD

An update was provided regarding proposed changes to San Ildefonso Route 230, connecting Pueblo communities and Los Alamos County.

The route now travels back and forth from Cities of Gold Park & Ride transfer center to the Atomic City Transit Center, providing greater flexibility and connection throughout the NCRTD, Atomic City and NMDOT Park & Ride systems. Route 230, as is the case with all NCRTD timed routes, is free to ride.

Implementation is scheduled April 14, 2025.

For more information regarding this update please view the March 6, 2025 Transportation Board Meeting.

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[19889-25](#) Los Alamos County Pedestrian Master Plan Update

Presented by: Justin Gibson, Senior Engineer

An update was provided regarding the comments received from the February 6, 2025 public meeting and the plan moving forward.

A task order has been requested with consultant Wilson and Company to address the comments received and adjust the timeline for approval by Council.

The plan now has Appendices which include Literature Review, Public Survey Results and Recommended Improvement Analysis.

Reference to existing plans/policy and future projects have also been included.

Next step is to bring back the plan to the board for adoption.

For more information regarding this update please view the March 6, 2025 Transportation Board Meeting.

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NM 502/Trinity Drive Project Update

Presented by: Justin Gibson, Senior Engineer and Conrad Ley with Wilson & Company

Following completion of a Road Safety Audit in 2016 Los Alamos County was awarded \$4.25 million in Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funding and state match for design, right-of-way acquisition and construction of safety improvements along the section of Trinity Drive (NM502) from Oppenheimer Drive to Knecht Street.

Based on a review of the Safety Audit recommendations, Planning Documents (Downtown Master Plan, Bicycle Transportation Plan), data collection and analysis, a set of alternative improvements were developed. These alternatives were presented to the Transportation Board on June 6, 2024 and the County Council on two occasions. On August 6, 2024 the Council made a motion supporting one of the hybrid road diet alternatives. A second presentation was made to Council on September 10, 2024 to respond to some additional questions and to request a resolution of support for the selected alternative. A resolution of support for a Hybrid Road Diet was completed at the September 10 meeting.

For more information regarding this update please view the March 6, 2025 Transportation Board Meeting.

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6. REPORTS & UPDATES

A. County Council Liaison Reports

Councilor Hand attended the February 7, 2025 NCRTD board meeting; a new chair was appointed, the Los Alamos County/NCRTD MOA was approved, The Federal Funding Resolution was approved, The Transportation Alternative Plan grant was approved, the Architecture and Engineering contract was approved and the lease for the building for bus wrapping was also approved. The board is actively recruiting for Tony's position with the help of a recruitment agency.

On February 25 Council approved the reappointments of David Hampton and Karen Edwards.

B. Chair's Report

Chair Hampton noted that the appointment of Jason Chappel to the Transportation Board will be included on the next council agenda, and he mentioned that the Personnel Board currently has a vacancy.

C. Board Member Reports

Member Altherr attended the Urban Trail ribbon cutting ceremony and mentioned that it was a nice event.

D. Staff Report

19891-25 Public Works Staff Report - February 2025

Public Works Director Eric Martinez also shared that the Council approved the reappointments of David Hampton and Karen Edwards on February 25.

For the Council agenda items on March 11, there will be discussions regarding the appointment of Jason Chappel to the Transportation Board, the approval of a Task Order for the Piñon Trail, and the approval of resolutions to apply for grant funding for the Piñon Trail, Canyon Rim Trail, and Cañada del Buey Trail Projects.

Additionally, the Bathtub Row and DP Road Improvement Projects have resumed. Open Houses for CIP projects are scheduled for March 10 in White Rock and March 17 in Los Alamos.

The ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Urban Trail was well-attended and turned out

beautifully.

Finally, Los Alamos Day at the Legislature will take place on March 12, 2025.

Mr. Martinez also mentioned that Justin Gibson has resigned from his position as Senior Engineer.

7. NEXT MEETING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Los Alamos County Design & Construction Standards and Mid-Block Crossing Policy Update (April 2025)
- Denver Steels Phase II Road Improvements Project (April 2025)
- NM4 Crossing and Multi-Use Trail Improvements
- Update to County Council (May)
- Robert’s Rules of Order Training (May)
- Code of Conduct (TBD)
- Revisit Bike Plan (TBD)
- Presentation by Eric Peterson (TBD)

8. ADJOURNMENT

The Transportation Board meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

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Approved



4/10/2025

David Hampton, Chair

Date