



**Metro Mayors Caucus
FasTracks Task Force**

June 26, 2013

Meeting Record



**FasTracks Futures Task Force
Wednesday, June 26, 2013 — 10:00 AM
Denver Regional Council of Governments
Independence Pass Conference Room**

Agenda

10:00 AM Welcome and introductions

10:05 AM Updates

10:30 AM Metro Transit Project Selection and Vetting

- Framework for metro transit project selection
- Projects to highlight for polling this fall
 - Northwest Area Mobility Set-Aside
 - Bus Service Restoration
 - Other Projects?

10:50 AM Next steps/Next Meeting

10:55 AM Adjourn



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Notes:

• **Updates**

- RFP on Friday — North Metro Request for Proposals Due in September
 - Review and recommendation from staff this fall
 - Notice and award by December this year
 - Asks for proposal to complete Union Station to 72nd with option to go farther North with financial proposal to make that possible
 - Also opportunity to propose corridors to be named later if they make financial sense and have merit
 - Board, public and FTF will be made aware of this if it happens
- NAMS
 - Several advisory committee meetings per month
 - Moving ahead on all fronts
 - Meeting this Friday with rail experts and consultant in Broomfield
 - Study has aggressive schedule
 - Many issues being uncovered
 - Primary recommendation relating to FasTracks by late 2013
 - Other recommendations in 2014
 - Pat Quinn
 - Thanks RTD for efforts on BRT — lots of progress
 - There are limited \$ coming to the corridor for transit
 - Need to know costs for the whole solution before assigning resources to parts of the solution
 - This is going to be about the numbers
 - Good meetings so far
 - Pat and Nancy McNally are leaving office in November so some decisions need to be made before then
 - Elise Jones
 - We have to be agnostic as possible about the outcome of the study
- I-225
 - RTD Board requires 10 votes to make change to fixed guideway near CU
 - Cost to mitigate vibration too high
 - New route was problem for Board but the route will be changed from Montview Blvd to Fitzsimmons Parkway
 - RTD should be flexible if cost is reasonable
 - This will provide a better route for RTD
 - This should not cost much extra and should not delay the contractor
 - Vote 14 to 1

• **Transit Project Selection**

- Set aside for NAMS
- Possible projects for polling
 - North Metro line to Hwy 7
 - Can this be extended to Longmont
 - Test popularity of Northwest Rail
 - Split sample if possible
 - Last poll was 1000
 - Haven't decided how many to sample for the next poll
 - Most important for this poll is a clear direction on the source of the revenues — no more than three
 - Sales tax
 - Might want to test ideas or criteria for improvements like rural road safety with addition of shoulders
 - Structural improvements for BRT
 - High speed rail network
 - Too expensive for voters
 - Test the kind of service people want
 - Headways
 - Technology
 - Differentiate between list for polling and list for the ballot
 - More generic for the polling so people can identify with the list
 - Changes that may come from the NAMS study may require going back to the voters to amend FasTracks
 - Should bus service additions be included in polling?
 - RTD plans include those service restorations that could be sustained after the sunset
 - Based on cost effectiveness, service standards and need for service
 - They can share that information with pollsters
- **Next Meeting July 24, 10:00 AM**