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August 2015

Larimer County Mobility Council Meeting

NFRMPO Offices

419 Canyon Ave, Suite 300 Fort Collins (Please see attached parking/entrance map)

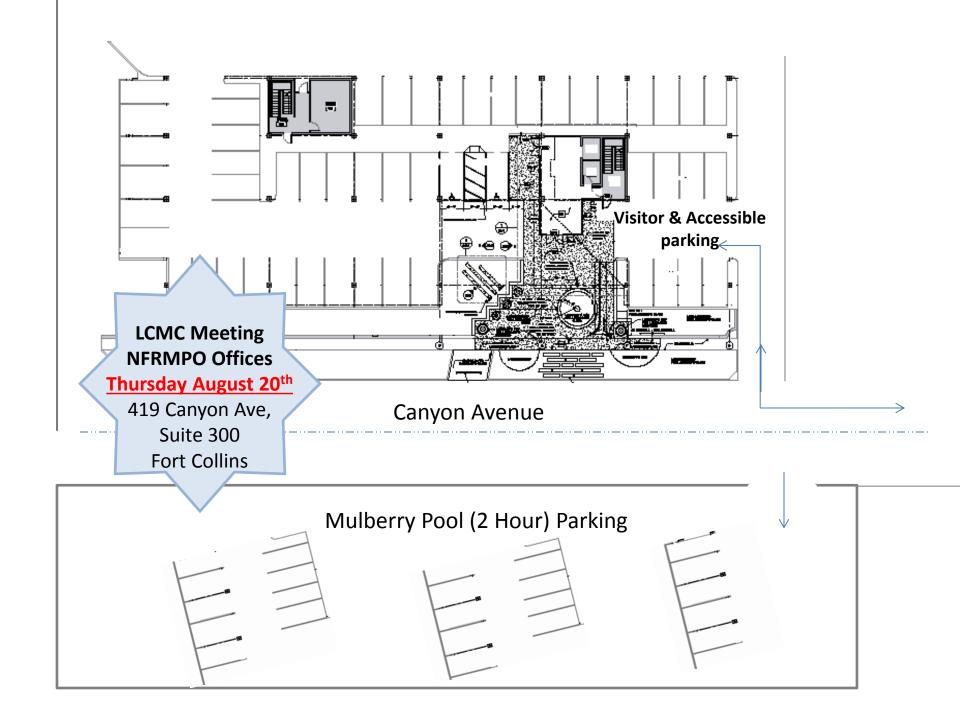
> 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Thursday, August 20, 2014

- 1. Review of Agenda
- 2. Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)
- 3. Approval of Meeting Notes (June)
- 4. Action Item

Election of new LCMC Member – Dawn Sakes, Arc of Larimer County.....Thomas

- **5. Chair Updates**.....Thomas
- 6. Discussion Items/Brainstorming Session 2015/2016 Meeting Strategies.....Thomas (See attached handout)
- 7. MC Program Updates......Warring
 - Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Grant Status
 - Online Resource Guide noco.findmyride.info
 - MPO Planning Council/MC Report
- 8. Council Member Reports
- 9. Adjournment

Next Meeting: October 15, 2015





Larimer County Mobility Council

Meeting Notes – June 18, 2015 1:30 – 3:00 p.m., NFRMPO Offices 419 Canyon Ave, Suite 300 - Fort Collins, CO

LCMC Members in Attendance:

Gary Thomas, Senior Alternatives in Transportation (SAINT)
Garrett Mumma, Colorado Department of Vocational Rehabilitation
Toni Lueck, Dial-A-Ride Advisory Committee
Katy Mason, Larimer County Office On Aging (LC OOA)
Don Crain, Rural Alternatives for Transportation (RAFT)
Angela Woodall, Foothills Gateway

In Attendance: Dawn Sakes, Arc of Larimer County

NFRMPO Staff: Mary Warring

Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 1:40 pm.

- 1. Review of Agenda Don Crain will be giving the presentation on behalf of RAFT.
- **2. Public Comment** (Non- Agenda Items) Dawn Sakes from Arc of Larimer County distributed a flyer regarding Transfort bus stop improvements. Sakes gave an overview of Arc's flyer including:
- Currently the city's improvement plan specifies an annual number of ADA compliant bus stop improvements in accordance with The City of Fort Collins/Transfort Bus Stop Design Standards & Guidelines over the next 20 years.
- Arc would like the city to increase the annual amount of bus stop improvements from the current schedule of 20 stops a year to 40 bus stop improvements per year.
- Arc would like the city to fund the requested improvement schedule by increasing the amount of funding for bus stop improvements.
- This would reduce the time needed to complete all improvements from 20 years to 10 years.
- Arc will be speaking to the Fort Collins City Council on July 6th and requested support for Arc's effort by contacting City Council members.

Mason commented that Arc speaking to the Fort Collins City Council was a great way to make their concerns known.

3. Approval of Meeting Notes (December) Chair Thomas asked if there were any changes to the meeting notes and asked for a motion to approve. Woodall made a motion to approve as written, Mumma seconded and the motion was approved.

4. Action Items - LCMC 2015 Work Plan

Warring briefly covered the changes to the work plan and asked if there were any questions. Seeing none, Thomas asked for a motion to approve the 2015 work plan. Mumma made a motion to approve the 2015 work plan, Mason seconded. The 2015 work plan was approved.

5. Chair Updates

May 2015/Summit On Aging – Thomas asked if Mason, who works closely with the Foundation on Aging to provide an overview of the summit. Mason's overview included:

- Changing demographics of the senior population helped to create a partnership of senior oriented agencies in Larimer County the partnership is now grant funded.
- The goal of the summit is to look to the future and gather local, state and national speakers to see how other communities have addressed aging issues.
- Speakers covered best practices and mainly, housing issues. Transportation was not the focus.
- All the presentations can be found on the Foundation on Aging website www.foa.com



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<u>June/Transportation Summit 2015</u> – Thomas gave an overview of the Transportation Summit held at Island Grove Regional Park in Greeley on June 15th. Guest speakers and panelists discussed the future of transportation in northern Colorado including maintenance and future funding. Weld County hosted the summit which featured several high profile speakers, including Colorado Senator Cory Gardner and Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Executive Director Shailen Bhatt. The primary issues discussed included North I-25, US 85, and Weld County Road 49. Panel members and speakers discussed options for repairing the existing transportation system, as well as funding future improvements to handle expected growth in the region.

6. Discussion Items

RAFT Member Presentation – Don Crain of RAFT shared a video that highlighted the clients and services of RAFT. Details were shared that include:

- RAFT, a volunteer transportation program provides rides to 60+ adults or adults (18+) with disabilities that live within the 80513 zip code & Berthoud Fire Protection District.
- 100% volunteer run including time and vehicles. There is no fee for the service & donations are encouraged. Service is provided 8am 4pm Monday Friday.
- RAFT is governed by Berthoud Golden Links and their board of directors
- Funded by client contributions, grants from Larimer County Office on Aging, Berthoud Community Fund, and the Larimer County Mobility Planning Council. RAFT also has operating agreements with agreements with the Town of Berthoud and the Berthoud Fire Protection District

LCMC members expressed their continuing support for the work RAFT is doing and RAFT's success.

7. MC Program Updates – Warring provided updates on <u>noco.findmyride.info</u> and the modification of the 2014 Riders Guide which will be distributed for the remainder of 2015. Also, updates were provided for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5317 Budget Amendment, and the DriveSmart Colorado Conference presentation which Warring presented on June 5, 2015.

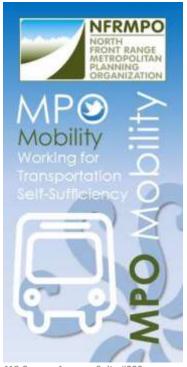
8. Council Member Reports

<u>Mason</u> – The OOA has allocated 2016 transportation funding and is funding Berthoud Area Transit Service (BATS), RAFT, SAINT, Via Mobility (serving Estes Park) & the Wellington Senior Center. <u>Woodall</u> – Foothills Gateway has job openings for two part-time drivers & since April 13, 2015 – all their vehicles are full.

<u>Thomas</u> – Gave an overview of Transfort's new paratransit voucher program. Kurt Ravenschlag presented information in June to the Fort Collins Transportation Board (T-Board). The program offers vouchers to qualified paratransit customers to use for trips including after hours and to destinations outside the paratransit service area. The trip voucher covers \$17 and the remainder of the trip cost is paid for by the customer. There is a new brochure available through Transfort. Transfort is in discussions with the City of Loveland to possibly expand the voucher program into that area. The T-Board suggested that future voucher program availability for Larimer County residents would be a good idea.

9. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm

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2015/2016 Meeting Ideas

Three Primary Objectives

- 1. Focused learning opportunities w/ guest speakers
- 2. Change of venue/project meeting
- 3. Research to the LCMC for discussion

Strategies

- Invite a guest speaker outside of the Larimer County area to speak on a selected topic Suggestion: UNC professor, Jill Bezyak on a senior transportation survey
- Invite a guest speaker local who runs a Larimer County program of interest
 Suggestion: Regional Transit Element – Local Transit Managers on regional transit connectivity
- Host a travel training session for LCMC members Suggestion: Berthoud & Loveland to TT program
- Host a lunch meeting change meeting time, invite members of public (state regulations for purchasing lunch) and select a topic/focus for the meeting.
- Solicit new member agencies to bring new faces & topics to the table.
- Rural transportation looking at what other communities have done
- CO SIM Model and how it affects HS providers

Additional Suggestions & Ideas?



obility Coordination

In the North Front Range MPO

Quarterly Newsletter Summer 2015

Funding for Mobility Management

The NFRMPO Mobility Coordination Program is funded with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 funds.

The goal of Section 5310 is to improve mobility for elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities. The NFRMPO receives 5310 funding through the Colorado FTA grant application process.

The activities of the NFRMPO mobility coordination program are centered on education and cooperative resource sharing in order to utilize existing transportation dollars in the most efficient way possible.

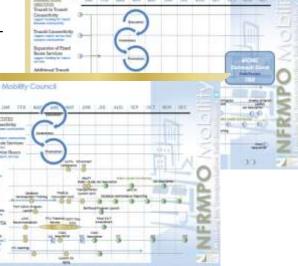
Examples include travel training, cooperative research and program implementation, public forums, FTA grant administration, and public education.

Mobility Council Meetings Summary

The Larimer & Weld Mobility Councils continue to work on the goals and strategies identified in the 2013 NFRMPO Coordinated Plan.

In Larimer County, senior initiatives, FTA grant activity and travel training are the focus. In Weld County, transit discussions centered on Greeley-Evans Transit (GET) proposed route changes and new transit center have been the focus.

The mobility councils have also help shape the newly launched NFRMPO Online Transit Guide – http://noco.findmyride.info/





For more information on the Larimer & Weld Mobility Councils including scheduled meetings, agendas and meeting packets visit http://www.nfrmpo.org/AboutUs/MobilityCoordination.aspx

Mobility Coordination Goals

The Larimer and Weld Mobility Councils guiding principles are to:

Make sure people who need transportation have access to the service they need for self sufficiency and to live independently.

In serving the larger community, the council will look for ways to provide transportation in the most cost effective and efficient manner possible.





Home Refe

Refer a passenger



Check out Colorado's latest Online Transit Guide.

noco.findmyride.info

Modeled on DRMAC's Transit Options Database this tool helps riders find the transit services they need.

Weld County Mobility Council

Colorado Department of Labor and Employment Connections for Independent Living

Envision

Greeley Center for Independence

Greeley-Evans Transit GET

North Range Behavioral Health

Senior Resource Services

Sunrise Community Health

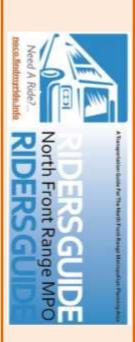
United Way of Weld County

Weld Advocacy Network on Disabilities WAND

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City of Fort Collins Transfort
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Larimer County Office on Aging
Larimer County Workforce

Loveland Disability Advisory Commission



NFRMPORiders Guide

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What is Mobility Coordination?

It's about creating partnerships between Human Service and Transit Agencies...



To ensure accessible transportation for everyone with an emphasis on assisting people with disabilities, low income individuals & the elderly

To maximize existing funding for human service transportation

To communicate transit options and ideas to the public.

Mobility Council Meetings

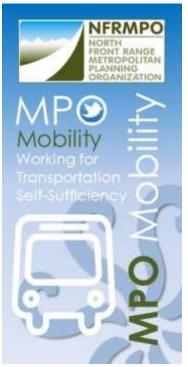
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Third Thursday every other month
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
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Weld County
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Fourth Tuesday every other month
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Greeley History Museum

For additional meeting details including agendas, meeting notes and location visit

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2015 LCMC Meeting Schedule

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Thursdays 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

February 19th

April 16th - Meeting canceled due to weather. Next meeting is June 18, 2015.

June 18th

August 20th

October 15th

December 17th

Regularly scheduled meetings of the LCMC may be canceled up to three days in advance of the meeting at the council's discretion. For the most current meeting schedule, visit the mobility coordination page @ www.nfrmpo.org