

### Weld County Mobility Committee (WCMC)—AGENDA December 4, 2018 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

- 1. Call Meeting to Order, Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Review of Agenda
- 3. Public Comment (2 minutes each)
- 4. Approval of September 25, 2018 Meeting Minutes

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

No items this month.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Larimer County Senior Transportation Project Gordon
 Implications of Propositions 109 and 110 Gordon
 2019 Work Plan and Meeting Schedule Gordon

### **GREELEY-EVANS TRANSIT NEWS AND UPDATES**

#### **WCMC MEMBER REPORTS**

- 4. Final Public Comment (2 minutes each)
- 5. Next Month's Agenda Topic Suggestions
- 6. Next WCMC Meeting: February 26, 2019



Meeting Notes - September 25, 2018 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. Greeley Connections for Independent Living 1331 8th Ave, Greeley, CO 80631

### WCMC Members in Attendance:

Julie Glover, Greeley Center for Independence Celeste Ewert, Envision Steve Teets, WAND Lori Chevrot, Citizen's Bus Improvement Committee Janet Bedingfield, Senior Resource Services Brad Taylor, Connections for Independent Living Joe Soto, United Way of Weld County

### Members of the Public in Attendance:

Colin Morey, Connections for Independent Living David Dalgarn, Connections for Independent Living Ann Rajewski, CASTA

NFRMPO Staff: Alex Gordon

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Review of Agenda There were no changes to the agenda.
- **3. Public Comment** (Non-Agenda Items) Steve reiterated the need for transit service on US34 to help meet the community needs.
- **4. Approval of Meeting Notes** (July) Janet moved to approve the minutes and Steve seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.
- 5. Discussion Items

Connections for Independent Living - Colin gave a tour of the facility and gave a background presentation about Connections for Independent Living. The organization is consumer-controlled, with about 300 to 400 consumers at a time. About one-third of consumers are over the age of 60. CILs are required to have at least 51 percent of their staff have disabilities to receive funding. This is due to their founding in the Civil Rights Movement to integrate individuals with disabilities into all levels of society. Part of their organization is advocacy, including Weld Advocacy Network for Disabilities (WAND). WAND has been successful in getting curb cuts, improved transit services, and awareness of Weld County residents with disabilities. Other major projects include the Self Advocacy Teaching Group, teaching individuals how to advocate for themselves; Independent Living Specialists, who help individuals learn how to live on their own; and Transition Services, to work with individuals to relocate from nursing homes to living independently.

Janet asked about stamina and CIL consumers and using paratransit. Colin said there are not too many issues reported about that. David stated Sunday service and more buses would be helpful for mobility. WCMC members mentioned the cost for paratransit is higher than the fixed route buses, which means more people try to use

the fixed route buses. Julie asked what education is needed for Independent Living Specialists. Colin said they usually look for individuals with a bachelor's degree in human services. Julie asked if CIL ever planned on owning property, and Colin responded the organization does not want to be a landlord and wants individuals to be truly independent. CIL only administers Section 8 housing vouchers. David commented there needs to be more housing open to individuals under 62 years old.

<u>Proposition 110</u> - Alex prefaced the presentation to say the NFRMPO does not have a stance on the two transportation ballot initiatives on the fall ballot, so this is purely an educational opportunity because it is related to transit and mobility. Ann Rajewski, Executive Director of CASTA, presented on Proposition 110, the Let's Go Colorado sales tax initiative. Currently, Colorado ranks among the lowest for state investment in transit. If the 0.62% sales tax passes, it is expected to raise \$767M in the first year, with a 20-year sunset. Multimodal projects would get 15 percent of the funding, cities and counties would each get 20 percent, and the state would receive the other 45 percent. Steve asked if this funding could be used to assist Medicare in providing rides. Ann said it depends on what the community and region decide are a priority. Dave asked what the chances are for the ballot to pass. Ann said it is pretty even right now and either initiative could pass.

<u>2045 RTE</u> - Alex reviewed the recommendation from the <u>2045 RTE</u>. It will go to the NFRMPO Planning Council in October and is expected to be adopted in November. Steve commented on the proposed Poudre Express and how it should serve Loveland.

<u>GET</u> - Ulysses Torres is no longer with GET. The Poudre Express planning effort continues to move along with expected/targeted opening of January 1, 2020.

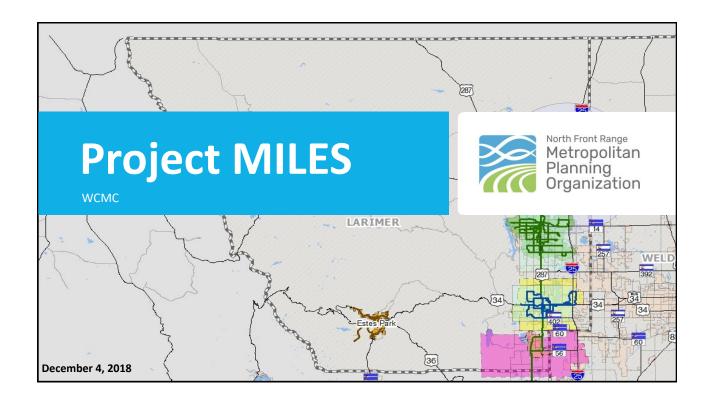
### 6. Committee Member Reports

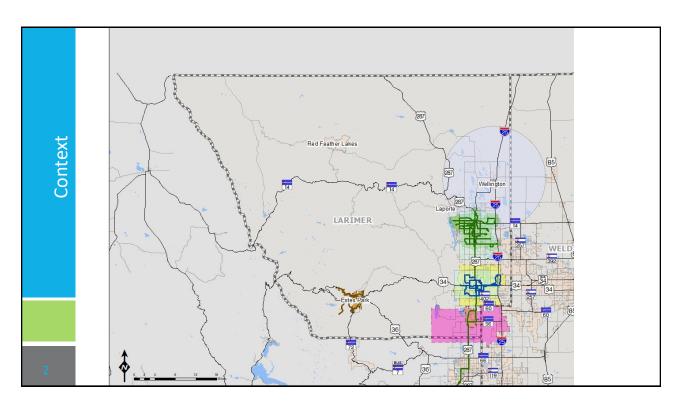
Steve mentioned he talked with Medicaid about transportation services and would be willing to bring information to the next meeting.

Celeste mentioned there will be an art show on October 5 at the Academy of Natural Therapy in Greeley.

7. Adjournment - 3:00 p.m.

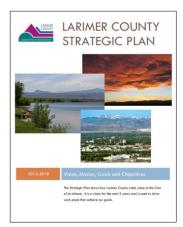
Next Regular Meeting: December 4, 2018





# **Background**





### 2013-2018 Larimer County Strategic Plan Goal

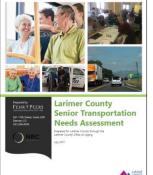
"By the end of 2016, an evaluation of the transportation needs and challenges for seniors living in unincorporated Larimer County will be completed. Existing and new options for addressing those needs and challenges will be identified, prioritized, and implemented."

3 Project MILES



# Background





### **Larimer County Senior Transportation Needs Assessment**

- Completed July 2017
- 4 focus groups, statistically-valid survey
- Senior Transportation Coalition Steering Committee
- Identified existing services, needs and concerns
- 10 recommended actions

Available for Download: https://bit.ly/2FCD8UI

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# **Background**



### **Needs Assessment Recommendations**



- **Larimer County**
- **Senior Transportation Needs Assessment**
- 1. On-demand paid services
- 2. Volunteer driver program
- 3. Expansion of existing services
- 4. Family and friend subsidy
- 5. Fixed route shuttle
- 6. Education and marketing
- 7. Dispatch/Call Center
- 8. Senior Commission and Transit Ambassadors
- 9. Travel Trainings
- 10. Online Platform

**Project MILES** 



# Background





# LARIMER COUNTY





# **Larimer County Senior Transportation Work Group**

- **Berthoud Rural Alternative for Transportation**
- Larimer County Office on Aging
- **Larimer County Engineering Department**
- **Larimer County Community Development**
- Larimer County Dept. of Public Health and Environment
- North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Partnership for Age-Friendly Communities

**Project MILES** 

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# **Current Efforts**





## **Project MILES**



- National Aging and Disability Transportation Center (NADTC) Getting Ready to Innovate grant
  - Expert Panel
  - Pilot One Call/One Click Center software
  - To be completed, January 2019

7 Project MILES



### **Current Efforts**





### <u>Implementation Plan (expected scope of work)</u>

- Identify partnerships, market research, and outreach
- Design services to be implemented
- Develop business and financial plan
- Synthesize strategies into an Implementation Plan
- Summed up: create a strategic plan to be able to hire
   Project Manager to implement program
- Expected December 2019

8 Project MILES

# **Next Steps**





- Carry out grant deliverables
  - · Continue Expert Panel meetings
  - · Identify pilot projects and software
- Identify additional partners, funding, etc.
- Build community support, including with elected officials

9 Project MILES

# **Questions?**



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Proposed WCMC Meeting Date



### Weld County Mobility Committee (WCMC)—AGENDA ITEM

### Proposed 2019 Work Plan

The Weld County Mobility Committee (WCMC) meets on the fourth Tuesday of every other month. Meeting locations rotate based on availability of members.

### **Proposed 2019 Work Items:**

- Increase WCMC meeting attendance and participation
- Increase outreach to Weld County communities
  - Updated Rider's Guides
  - Other forums or discussions?
- Dump the Pump Day (June 20, 2019)
- Coordination with NFRMPO's 5304 grant
  - o Weld County needs and gap analysis
- Assistance with CDOT and other WCMC member transportation grants
- Studying link between transportation and affordable and accessible housing