



Weld County Mobility Committee (WCMC)—MINUTES
June 28, 2022
1:32 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

1. Call Meeting to Order, Welcome and Introductions

- Steve Teets, WAND
 - Abdul Barzak, Town of Severance
 - Celeste Ewert, Envision
 - Brad Taylor, Connections for Independent Living
 - Evan Pinkham, Weld County Public Works
 - Chris Montoya, Adeo
 - Margie Martinez, United Way of Weld County
 - Leiton Powell, GET
 - Jasmine Garrison, United Way of Weld County
 - Nichole Seward, Weld County AAA
 - Olga Marie Gonzalez, WCDPHE
 - Chloe Grant, Boulder County Mobility For All
- NFRMPO staff: Cory Schmitt, Hanna Johnson, Sheereen Ibtesam

2. Review of Agenda

3. Public Comment (2 minutes each)

Teets wanted to share that traffic on Harmony Road between Fort Collins and Eaton has gotten bad, along with Highway 392 as well. He would like to see a route along that road. Schmitt mentioned that Harmony Road/WCR74 was one of the corridors for premium transit identified in the LinkNoCo study.

4. Approval of April 2022 Meeting Minutes

Bedingfield motioned to approve the February minutes. Ewert seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION

1) United Way Aging Well Collective Impact

Garrison

Garrison shared the Aging Well Collective Impact working group Age-Friendly Communities Assessment Results. The AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities was launched in 2012; the goal was to make communities more livable for people 50 and older, and in doing so, communities will become more livable to all. There are 8 domains of livability, including transportation. AARP engages in a 5-year cycle approach; the first year is the application and community assessment process along with developing an action plan for the next 3 years.

Weld County did a county-wide assessment for this Age-Friendly Communities project in August of 2021. This community assessment was available in English and Spanish. Roughly 50% of responses were from Greeley/Evans. In October there were 5 listening sessions; 1 in Spanish only, and 1 was hosted at the Immigrant and Refugee Center of Northern Colorado.



Within this assessment, Housing, Transportation, Communication, and Health and Community Supports were the top issue areas. There were 6 transportation related topics identified in listening sessions. The survey included 16 transportation-related questions including sidewalks, speed limits, etc. Garrison shared a [Google Doc](#) that has all the data related to the public outreach for this project. She notes that the top issues identified through this outreach effort were regarding timeliness and accessibility for public transit, audio/visual pedestrian crossings.

Of the top 10 “worst rated” areas, five were related to transportation. Garrison provided a link for people interested in participating in an [Age-Friendly Community domain working group](#). She noted that the efforts of this Transportation-specific Age-Friendly Community Action Plan can also align with WCMC efforts. Powell requested that Jazz share this data with GET to share with their consultants. She will share the raw data with them.

RIDENOCO UPDATE

Schmitt shared updates regarding RideNoCo, as outlined in the slides. Sheereen Ibtesam introduced herself as the new AmeriCorps VISTA Outreach Specialist. She will serve in this position from June 2022 through June 2023. The Trip Discovery Tool is in the beta testing mode right now; this should be finished prior to the end of July or August. This tool includes 60+ Ride, SAINT, and RAFT as transportation providers in addition to standard public transit providers. Additionally, the Trip Scheduling Steering Committee has been informing how providers can use technology to increase coordination among partners. Initial themes from this group include:

- A majority of providers are happy with their current software (60+ Ride) or are getting something tailored to their agency (GET)
- The focus of trip scheduling software needs to be on meeting the needs of RideNoCo, N40MA, and RAFT
- What is the role of RideNoCo in the short vs. long term?

Schmitt shared information regarding the Northern Colorado Transportation Provider Inventory Survey. Staff has revised the survey based on feedback from previous meetings. Schmitt walked through the proposed survey and requested feedback from the group. Bedingfield noted that “pick-up truck” and “SUV” could be added, or “personal vehicle”; additionally, “high profile,” “medium profile,” and “low profile” are important data points for volunteer driver programs. Ewert and Ewert would like to note wheelchair specific vehicles.

ACTION ITEM

2) August Meeting Date

All

Current date of 8/30 is 5th Tuesday of month and not 4th

Most people voiced that either date or keep it the 30th. Powell made the motion to keep the August 30th date, and Martinez seconded that motion.



Teets asked if we would have our next meeting as virtual, hybrid, or in person. Teets likes hybrid. Bedingfield has adjusted to virtual but likes the joint meetings as hybrid. Barzak notes that virtual options allows him to participate.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3) Shared Resource Library

Johnson

Johnson requested feedback regarding the Shared Resource Library. She shared that the platform would be Google Drive and asked the group how documents should be named. Bedingfield noted that having the year and month as the first part of the document name format would be best (i.e. "2022_06_Document_Agency.pdf").

The group agreed that a "shared use agreement" would be a helpful way to ensure people are comfortable sharing documents. The group would like staff to focus on "internal" facing documents first and add the "external" portions at a later time. A few suggestions of "use agreements" included:

- Each agency having an updated contact listed in the library so contacts can reach out to ask if they can use their documents
- Adding documents as a PDF or other non-editable format, and then agencies can request an editable format (word, etc.) if they would like to use the other agency's document
- Having a separate folder for "external facing documents" that could be shared with the group.
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WORK GROUPS

4) Recruitment Working Group – all

- a. **Mission Statement established:** The Recruitment Working Group will coordinate strategies and activities to increase active membership in mobility committees.
- b. **Discussion:**
 - i. Ensure that re-engagement involves a conversation that can catch folks up to what the WCMC is doing, listen to the transportation needs of their agency, and what their agency can contribute to WCMC
- c. **Completed Steps:**
 - i. Make a spreadsheet of current LCMC/WCMC active and inactive members from distribution lists – Completed
- d. **Next Steps:**
 - i. Bedingfield noted that Shawna with North Range Behavioral Health could be a good contact to re-engage someone from that agency. She noted that she could reach out to her.
 - ii. Ewert volunteered to reach out to Arc of Weld County.

2) Outreach and Education Working Group – all



- a. **Mission Statement established:** The Outreach and Education Working Group will coordinate strategies and activities to increase awareness of transportation providers and programs in Larimer and Weld counties.
- b. **Completed Steps:**
 - i. Create shared outreach calendar
- c. **Next Steps:**
 - i. Share outreach calendar with group
 - ii. Work with Windsor Harvest Event organizers to see if GET, 60+ Ride, and NFRMPO could have booths near one another.

GREELEY EVANS TRANSIT NEWS AND UPDATES

None.

WCMC MEMBER UPDATES

Martinez announced that the 2022 Weld Project Connect is October 20th from noon to 6:30 pm; doors close at 5:30pm.

Final Public Comment (2 minutes each)

None.

Next Month's Agenda Topic Suggestions

None.

Upcoming Meetings:

1. **Next Meeting: August 30th, 2022– 1:30-3 pm**