

**MINUTES
OF THE
TECHNICAL AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE
Thursday, September 18, 2025 10:00 a.m.
Zoom/2nd Floor Circle of Friends Community Room
Rapid City, South Dakota**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kip Harrington, Kelly Brennan, and Tanner Halonen – Rapid City Department of Community Development, Matt Layman, Jesse Rieb and Sara Odden – Rapid City Public Works Department, Lynn Kendall – Meade County Citizen Appointee, Lauralee Patton – City of Box Elder Planning Department, Megan Gould – Rapid Transit System, Sarah Gilkerson and Mike Carlson – South Dakota Department of Transportation, Coy Sasse – Rapid City School District, Bob Burns, Gary Wietgreffe, and Gerry Eick – Citizen Interest members

MEMBERS ABSENT: Roger Gallimore – Meade County Citizen Appointee, Pat West – Meade County Sheriff's Department, Sean Smith – Pennington County Highway, Bruce Martin – City of Box Elder, Troy Eastman and Joseph Miller – Meade County Highway Department, Tonya Vig – Meade County Planning, Amy Richie and Laura Armstrong – Citizen Interest members, Monte Meier – South Dakota Department of Air, Rail and Transit, Brian Bishop - Rapid City Regional Airport, Mayor Phil Anderson – City of Piedmont, Chris Hislip – Pennington County Sheriff's Office, Brett Burditt – Meade County School District, Devin McCloskey/Colby Larson - Ellsworth Air Force Base, Kelvin Masur – Rapid City Police Department, Robert Connell – City of Box Elder Police Department, Mayor Michael Kitzmiller – City of Summerset, Kevin Case – Douglas School District, and Britney Molitor – Pennington County Planning Department

OTHERS PRESENT: Melissa Bloomberg – Rapid City Department of Community Development, Roger Hall – Rapid City Public Works Department, Megan Moore and Kelly Naumann – Logan Simpson, Matthew Downey – Felsburg Holt & Ullevig, Inc., and John Forman - Ulteig

Chairman Harrington called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Meeting quorum was met.

General Public Comment

No Public Comment

Business

Eick moved, Gilkerson seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the August 21, 2025 Technical and Citizens Committee meeting.

25TP020 – Approve the 2026 Unified Planning Work Program – Draft Report. The 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) includes the annual activities, planning studies, and products to be developed by the Metropolitan Planning Organization for 2026. The Unified Planning Work Program also identifies funding and staffing for conducting these tasks. Brennan reviewed the UPWP and the five studies that were voted

on to pursue for the allocated funding with the UPWP for 2026. Discussion ensued regarding these studies.

Kendall entered the meeting.

Eick moved, Burns seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the 2026 Unified Planning Work Program – Draft Report along with recommendation that the 2026 UPWP studies include the Regional Signal Optimization Study and the Micro-transit Feasibility Study.

25TP020 – Approve the 2025 Rapid City Comprehensive Plan – Draft Report. The Comprehensive Plan serves as the official policy document guiding community development in Rapid City, as well be used to shape the future of our community by reflecting the shared vision of residents. The Comprehensive Plan was developed in conformance with Chapter 11-6 of South Dakota Codified Laws, which regulates the minimum requirements of comprehensive plans. These requirements ensure transparency, community input, and formal adoption procedures in the formation of the Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan was made with the purpose of guiding and accomplishing a coordinated, adjusted, and harmonious development of the municipality, which will, in accordance with existing and future needs, best promote health, safety, morals, order, convenience, prosperity or the general welfare, as well as efficiency and economy in the process of development. Kelly Naumann from Logan Simpson presented the key elements of the 2025 Rapid City Comprehensive Plan – Draft Update. Discussion ensued regarding aligning with other Master Plans in other jurisdictions in the area.

Odden moved, Layman seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the 2025 Rapid City Comprehensive Plan – Draft Report.

Update on Construction Projects

Hall provided information on current Rapid City construction projects.

Carlson provided information on the current construction projects within the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization area.

Update on Planning Projects

Harrington, Brennan, and Gilkerson provided information on the current planning projects within the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization area.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.