

Nederland Area Eco Pass Public Improvement District Advisory Committee (NEPPIDAC)

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, April 28th 2016 6:30-8pm

In attendance: Katrina, Topher, Vera, Jared

1. Introductions

2. Approval of prior meeting minutes

- One edit needed regarding the available NEPPIDAC surplus Bus stop improvement funding could also be used as savings for potential Eco Pass increase in the future. "group is inclined to reserve funds in event of future price increase" and Smart Card data will impact cards.
- Shopping center had potential concerns about stop improvements to the Hwy 119 & Big Springs Drive bus stop. Jared will email info about the stop improvement to the group and Katrina will reach out to shopping center.
- Vera moves approval of motion pending above edits, Katrina seconds, all in favor.

3. NEPPIDAC Board chair position update (Jared & Topher)

- Discussion on changing NEPPIDAC structure to allow group to selfelect committee chair instead of defaulting to the Nederland BOT appointed rep. Topher brought discussion to BOT and they quickly approved (unanimous approval).
 - Alisha BOT sent minutes to Jared (needed to show formal request from the Town).

- Jared will forward structure modification request to BOCC for approval.
- Topher stated that the BOT retreat in May, and that they may potentially change advisory board representation (through shuffling board reps).

4. Community-wide Eco Pass update (Jared)

- Jared provided update. Boulder County conducted survey of potential 2016 ballot items. Survey results weren't strong on a County-wide level (less than 50%). The policy advisory committee decided not to move forward with a 2016 ballot item.
- The City of Lafayette is still interested in pursuing a Citywide residential pass in 2016.
- City of Boulder City Council voted to shelve a 2016 ballot item regarding city-wide Eco Pass for a later date.
- RTD will be forming a pass working group in Summer 2016 to look at all pass program included Community-wide Eco Pass. Boulder County hopes to be directly or indirectly involved with this process.
- Boulder County will continue to look into the Community-wide Eco Pass in 2016 and 2017.

5. Update on N winter bus operations and letter from Mayor Gierlach

- Joe Gierlach is no longer the Nederland Mayor. The new mayor, Kristopher Larson, started on April 27, 2016. Status of previous letter is unknown. Joe never mentioned that he signed letter.
- Group decided to have the letter signed by new mayor at this point and have him advance letter to RTD.
- Jared will reach out to Michael to determine status of letter. Topher will to bring the letter before Kris.
- Issues with bus operations still persist, mostly with substitute drivers. Regular drivers do fine, but substitute drivers have problems. Still problems with the buses not being chained when leaving the RTD garage.

- The group stated that it is hard to determine how things have changed for better or worse for N route driving in 2016. Some anecdotal group feedback that buses schedules have been more on-time than in years past.
- Jared will review the Facebook riders group to see the total number of comments.

6. Eco Pass reminders and awareness to current pass holders and new residents

- Janette was the lead on this item and not available to provide task update. Janette has reached out to Alisha about how we can support the town with this item.
- Katrina will reach out to Janette to check the status of this task.

7. Other Discussion

- Ned Peds project contract is fully executed and is eminent. Boulder County is ready to install stop improvements when concrete is ready.
- Transit app had been working previously for Vera, but stopped working effectively over the pas month
 - o The app only works up to Fourmile Canyon, then bus icon freezes at that location.
 - o Bus icon has never shown up in Nederland or anywhere from Fourmile Canyon to Eldora.
 - o Jared will alert RTD to issue on the bus and try to have them take a look at the N route. Handheld GPS generally works fine through the Canyon (cell signal generally dead in Canyon except in St. Anton)
 - Can special hardware be installed on dedicated N buses that help to send out stronger signal. Jared will add this to the list of N bus operations to address.

8. Next steps & Meeting

Thursday, July 28th at 6:30pm. Jared will highlight meeting time to Michael and Janette in meeting notes.