

Meeting Notes

APWA TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, October 5, 2016
APWA Washington State Chapter Fall Conference
Spokane, WA

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1. National Transportation Committee – Reminded the group that we have two local members; Freeman Anthony/City of Bellingham (previous Chair) and Kathleen Davis/WSDOT Local Programs (Board Liaison). The National Committee’s key topics are financing, maintenance & preservation, and safety. They have the following standing subcommittees:
 - Project Delivery
 - Road Safety
 - Sustainable Transportation
 - Winter Maintenance
2. Resources to Share: Made the committee aware of the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (NCUTCD) and handed out an information brochure (attached)
3. Committee website – Discussion about updating the committee website. There was consensus that there should be a presence on the chapter website. The content would contain minimal information that does not require frequent updating (Committee goals, meeting schedule, what we do, and contact information)
4. The transportation track was reviewed; five Transportation-related sessions are on the schedule. Except as noted, these sessions were submitted by the Committee. Regarding the Maximum Extent Feasible Documentation (MEF) topic, Kyle indicated that WSDOT is having contractors certify compliance. There was discussion regarding having designers certify their design.
 - ADA Maximum Extent Feasible Documentation for Pedestrian Facilities
Gina Parenteau | Perteet
Andrea Swisstack | City of Mukilteo

Hillary Stibbard | City of Bellevue
Tricia Thompson | City of Redmond

- Requirements for work on, over, or near Railroad ROW
Salima Hamlin, Jim Eoff | HNTB,
Taylor Smith | BNSF Railway
- Sufficient Property Rights for Federally Funded Projects
Dianna Nausley, Dawn Fletcher, Kyle McKeon | WSDOT Local Programs
- Transportation Benefit Districts; Local Roads – Local Money [Not submitted by Transportation Committee]
 Scott Lindblom Thurston County
- Multiagency Collaboration in Seattle [Not submitted by Transportation Committee]
Jeanne Acutanza | Transpo Group

5. Committee Mission Statement – Reviewed the updated mission statement that was discussed at previous committee meetings. All were in agreement with revising the committee’s goals as follows:

The Transportation Committee of APWA’s Washington Chapter has the following goals:

- To share knowledge by being the premiere conduit for technical sessions at the chapter conferences.
- *In coordination with the Government Affairs Committee*, advocate for legislation, policies, and practices ~~that will lead to transportation systems~~ that are more effective, more efficient, and more environmentally sustainable.
- ~~To be responsive to requests by elected officials, civic groups, and others for APWA’s position/perspective on transportation issues in the State.~~
- To raise the public awareness of the positive contributions of transportation professionals in the State of Washington.

6. Chapter Magazine – The group was asked to submit ideas for articles in the chapter magazine, especially think about articles based on recent conference sessions. It was suggested that the MEF session would be an excellent article candidate.

7. Other Items

- Mentoring Nights; UW Student Chapter – Casey suggested a connection between meeting topics at the student chapter meetings and future conference sessions.
- Coordination with the Technology Committee for a future joint session was suggested

8. Discussed session topics & established leads for the spring conference topics along with future conferences. The spring conference is April 26 – 28 in Tacoma. The fall conference is October 3 – 6 in Kennewick. Listed below are the selected sessions for the spring conference along with ideas for subsequent conferences.

SPRING 2017

1. **Practical Design meets the WSDOT Design Manual**

Synopsis: Context sensitive design vs. practical design – based on the experience of interchange project in Sumner designed by Parametrix. Renton's SR 900 project by Perteet was also mentioned.

Possible Speakers: City of Sumner; WSDOT Olympic Region

Champion: [Dan McReynolds](#)

2. **Porous Pavement**

Synopsis: Discuss all aspect of porous concrete and asphalt pavements. Why working in some areas and not in others? Workmanship? Materials? Kyle indicated that the proprietary nature of the various mix designs is a big issue with FHWA

Possible Speakers: Elizabeth _____ < WSU Spokane >; Jim Powell/American Concrete Pavement Association was suggested. Following the meeting Jessica Knickerbocker/City of Tacoma and Mark Palmer/City of Puyallup were suggested as having done several porous asphalt installations. (Jessica has indicated that she would be willing to present)

Champion: **NONE**

3. **Technical Breakthroughs in the Project Inspection Process**

Synopsis: An introduction to the Pavia paperless project documentation system. Steve Muench/UW Civil Engineering Department is a board member

Possible Speakers: Mark Holmes/Perteet; WSDOT CN contact (Kyle will suggest)

Champion: **NONE**

4. **Alternative Transportation Funding**

Synopsis: Panel discussion with cities that have recent experience with alternate transportation funding models – what has and hasn't worked. Suggested agencies include:

- Pending efforts: Bellevue, Kenmore, Issaquah
- Past efforts: Seattle, Redmond, Auburn

Champion: **NONE**

5. **Emergency Response Planning: Latest Innovations**

Synopsis: Fehr & Peers recently assisted the city of Oak Harbor and the Port of Tacoma in evaluating their emergency response capabilities, utilizing a number of model sensitivity evaluations.

Learning Objectives:

- Provide summary of data inputs utilized in response time evaluation
- Identify advantages & disadvantages of various emergency response time sensitivity evaluations
- Review capital investments that support improving emergency response times

Speakers: Kirk Holmes, Perteet; Aaron Gooze, Fehr & Peers

Champion: [Dan Grayuski](#) *Draft Session Form Submitted*

Hold For Future

• **Evaluation of a Shared Use Mobility Pilot Program**

Synopsis: Fehr & Peers developed operational plan for a public/private partnership between the City of Centennial, CO and Lyft to improve access to the region's commuter rail system.

Lisa mentioned a NATCO program on this topic

Learning Objectives:

- Provide background to basis and objectives of the private/public partnership
- Explain the development of the operational and evaluation plan
- Highlight lessons learned through the program development process
- Summarize results of implementation - ridership, mobility and customer satisfaction
- Offer guidance and lessons learned for cities looking to partner for shared-use mobility

Speaker: Aaron Gooze, Fehr & Peers; Lyft representative is possible

Champion: [Dan Grayuski](#) *Session Form Submitted*

- **Greenroads/ INVEST / Envision [NEW]**

Synopsis: Compare & Contrast the different sustainable infrastructure rating systems:

Greenroads, INVEST (FHWA), Envision (APWA, ACEC, ASCE)

Possible Speakers: ? Steve Muench/UW CE Department – wants to construct a Greenroads project on UW campus

Champion: [Lisa Reid](#)

- **NATCO Global Street Design Guide [NEW]**

Synopsis: Introduction to the new Guide which is the first-ever “worldwide standard for designing safe, sustainable city streets” released at the 216 NATCO conference in Seattle.

Kyle: Conflicts with MUTCD is an issue. WSDOT is working with FHWA to understand their allowance for experimental treatments (e.g. striping at Bainbridge ferry bikes weaving in cars)

Possible Speakers:

Champion: [Lisa Reid](#)

- **New Sound Transit Stations [SPRING, depending on ST3 vote]**

Synopsis:

Possible Speakers:

Champion: [Steven True](#)

- **WSDOT/ACEC Post Disaster Bridge Safety Assessment Resources for Local Agencies**

Synopsis:

Possible Speakers: Paul A. Brallier, PE, SE, Senior Project Manager, HNTB

Champion: _____

- **Complete Streets on other corridors?**

Synopsis: Case studies related to complete Streets on other corridors (e.g. the 10-12 SDOT planning corridors). Review of demographics, income, travel modes, etc. to develop the right cross section for the particular corridor. TRB has completed a survey “complete network”

Champion: _____

- **Best Practices in Complete Streets Design**

Synopsis:

Possible Speakers: Tacoma, Seattle

Champion: _____