Transit and Rail Advisory Committee (TRAC) Meeting Notes January 10, 2024

Introductions/Meeting Overview/Welcome (Paul DesRocher)

- OIM/DTR Org Chart Updates
 - Current Recruitments Positions
 - AD Programs
 - Mountain Rail Program Manager
 - Seven (7) new positions added throughout OIM in January 2024

TRAC Membership Update and Chair/Vice Chair Discussion (Kay Kelly)

- Ann Rajeweski. Consider staggering new membership of TRAC vs. old membership to maintain continuity and knowledge.
- Kay Kelly- Send interest in Chair/Vice Chair and continuing TRAC membership. Will also follow up in the next couple of weeks to confirm membership.

Bustang Update (Ben Gellman)

- RFP for Bustang service provider
- Bustang Stats 2023
- Jonathan Flint. Need to publicize the Y-o-Y results to gain greater recognition for Bustang accomplishments.
- David Averill. What is the secret to solving bus operator shortage?
- Ben Gellman Reducing experience requirements (without compromising on safety) and development of operator training programs are best practices.
- Ben Gordon What is the best way to access Bustang ridership?
- Paul DesRocher. We will work on improving access to that information along with providing current ridership numbers in slides.
- David Johnson Where are we in terms of Bustang expansion?
- Paul DesRocher. Currently in Phase I, and working on Phase II of implementation.

DTR Programs Update (Paul DesRocher)

- Pre-Award Authority approved
- Contracting Status update
 - 5310 Update
 - Paul DesRocher. Working on developing further improvements to information shown, including;
 - Timing for grant awards and;
 - Showing contracting progress over time
- Grants Support Unit development

Passenger Rail Update (David Singer)

- Front Range Rail Service Development Plan Route selected in December
- Mountain Rail Update

- Project Manager role
- Statewide Rail Plan Plan was Approved by the TC in February. DTR has forwarded to the FRA for their Acceptance (expected in May/June).
- Jim Souby Congratulations to David and team for implementation of the state rail plan and projects (mountain and front range).

Topics of Interest

- 2024 Statewide Transit WIGs (Jacob/William)

Round Table (All)