



# CITY OF NORMAN, OK AIM NORMAN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMITTEE

Development Center, Room B, 225 N. Webster Ave., Norman, OK 73069  
Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 1:00 PM

## MINUTES

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jim Adair called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm.

### INTRODUCTION/ROLL CALL

#### PRESENT

Jim Adair	David Riesland (Staff)
Karleene Smith	Awet Frezgi (Staff)
Adam Ross	Scott Sturtz (Staff)
BJ Hawkins	Beth Muckala (Staff)
Trey Bates	Ashley Maggio (Garver)
Olivia Dailey	Alan Dennis (Garver)
Lee Hall (Steering Committee)	Bret Cabbiness (Garver)
Amanda Nairn (Steering Committee)	Mike Spayd (Garver)
Shavonne Evans (Steering Committee)	James Walden (Garver)
Amy Haase (RDG)	

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JULY 10 SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

- A quorum was present
- Minutes were approved unanimously with no changes

### UPDATES

- Traffic plan update has been approved—policy recommendations were reviewed
- Transit plan update has been approved—policy recommendations were reviewed
- Aviation plan update was discussed based on the OU Westheimer Airport approved master plan—this master plan will be included as the Aviation plan update including recommended height restrictions on future development at the ends of each runway
  - Need to emphasize multimodal connections to airport

- Need to emphasize freight connections to airport
- Need to emphasize transit connections to the airport to support the NPS Aviation Academy
- The Parking plan update was discussed based on the 2018 joint Cleveland County/City of Norman Parking Study—this study will be included as the Parking plan update
  - Need to emphasize creation of Parking Authority
  - Need to emphasize that Parking Study is updated as necessary
  - Need to emphasize multimodal connections between RTA stop, parking facilities, and Transit Center
- The Bridge plan update was discussed based on the 2023 Bridge Bond Program
  - Need to emphasize use of ranking system to prioritize bridge projects
  - Need to emphasize pursuit of other funding sources to supplement Bond funds
  - Need to emphasize continual update of bridge program as the Bond moves forward
  - Need to emphasize continued investment in the Bridge Maintenance Program

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Roadway is continuing to be a work in progress
  - Started with a list of unfinished projects from the 2014 CTP
  - Discussed impact of turnpike and frontage road on Norman's Roadway System including the need for a potential crossing of I-35 on Franklin Road
  - 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue East is looking like a major roadway as it is near the urban/rural line of development demarcation—Turnpike plans for the north/south route could impact this
  - Plan needs to discuss the impact of no frontage roads on the City's Roadway System
  - Potential bridges at each section line road lessens the angst about development north of the Turnpike and access to those future developments
- Active Transportation is ongoing in part because of the nature of the Turnpike
  - Micro group meeting is being planned for December to try to wrap up this update
  - Discussion of different types of facilities ensued
  - Connectivity and more trails was emphasized since the beginning of this update effort
- The Prioritization Matrix was discussed
  - Cost was removed since it was not fair to compare different size projects
  - Prioritization matrix is used only to compare like type projects rather than for project selection
  - Weighting scores were discussed
  - Apparent subjective nature of process was discussed—tweaks will be made to reduce the subjectivity including the delivery of a scoring guide
  - Sample scores for a variety of projects were discussed with particular effort on the Alameda Street Special Corridor
  - Active transportation components have not been added until the Active Transportation Update is completed
  - Projects that are within an existing Bond would be grouped separately



## MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

- More tweaks will come to various updates as the Turnpike plans are finalized
- Discussion about importance of communicating with the OTA was held with many comments about what can and should be done—this could include sharing our updated land use plan with them
- Discussion about access for University North Park area was held with many comments about options to the area and the future of I-35 direct access at Rock Creek Road
- Interactive map to be able to add projects is still active
- Next steps include:
  - Garver continues to write multiple sections
  - Micro group in December will help to finalize much of the work
  - Need to get clarity on what OTA is doing in Norman
  - Try to have last meeting in either January or February at the latest to approve Plan at sub-committee level
  - Sub-committee members are encouraged to attend one or both of the December Open House Sessions—this would give the sub-committee a chance to see what the other sub-committees are working on and how that plays into what the Transportation sub-committee is doing
  - The need to report to Council regarding impact of OTA decision on this plan was discussed

## ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 2:41 pm.

Passed and approved on this 20th day of February 2025.



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Jim Adair, Chair

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