



## City of Manitou Springs Mobility and Parking Board Regular Meeting Minutes

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

January 28, 2026

### Call to Order

Vice Chair Karl Stang called the Mobility and Parking Board (MAP) meeting to order at 5:06 PM.

### Roll Call

Vice Chair Karl Stang asked that board members give a brief introduction as part of roll call since we have a new Mobility and Parking Director and City Council Liaison.

#### **Board Members Present for Roll Call:**

Board Member Bill Koerner

Vice Chair Karl Stang

Board Member Luke Harper Prince

Board Member Pamela Smith

Board Member Rolf Jacobson

#### **Board Members Absent for Roll Call:**

Chair Cory Sutela - excused absence

Board Member Joy Porter - joined at 5:33 p.m.

#### **Staff and Liaisons Present:**

Mobility and Parking Director Felipe Lopez

Mobility and Parking Supervisor James Kelemen

City Council Liaison Nate Nassif

### Approval of Agenda

No changes were proposed. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Bill Koerner and seconded by Rolf Jacobson. The agenda was approved unanimously 5-0.

### Approval of Minutes

Bill Koerner asked that the October 2025 MAP Board minutes be amended to correctly reflect that he was in attendance for the meeting. The minutes in the packet contained conflicting statements regarding Mr. Koerner's attendance. Bill Koerner moved that the Board approve the

amended October 2025 minutes and Pamela Smith seconded. The amended minutes were approved unanimously 5-0.

### **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

No members of the public were present to provide comments.

### **City Council Liaison Report**

City Council Liaison Nate Nassif mentioned the “Consideration of Resolution No. 0626, A Resolution of the City of Manitou Springs City Council, Creating A Parking Benefit Program For Downtown Residents and For Downtown Business Employees Contingent Upon the Dissolution of The Metropolitan District” that was approved by City Council at the Friday, January 23, 2026 special session. This resolution would be effective if the Metro District is dissolved as part of the upcoming March 3rd 5A special election.

### **Presentations**

#### **Funding Updates:**

Mobility and Parking Director Felipe Lopez reiterated that Manitou Springs has applied for a grant that could provide additional funds related to mobility. Details are not available at this time but will be shared with the MAP Board as soon as possible.

#### **Regular Updates:**

##### Pike Ride Update:

Mobility and Parking Supervisor James Kelemen provided an update on Pike Ride operations, ridership trends, and service performance. Discussion included noting the much higher ridership numbers in December due to the unseasonably warm weather and the overall increase in rides starting/ending in Manitou Springs comparing 2024 vs 2025.

##### Mountain Metro Report:

Mountain Metro Transit (MMT) had technical issues and was not able to provide updated ridership reports for the #3 and #33 routes. Board Member Luke Prince mentioned his support and excitement that the MMT #3 will be zero fare starting in late March 2026. Vice Chair Karl Stang mentioned that as Board members we are advocates for the community and should be careful to use the definition “no charge” vs free or zero fare, since Manitou Springs (33%) and Colorado Springs (66%) are covering the lost fare revenue with MMT. Board Member Luke Prince also requested that the City consider adding additional downtown bus stops for the MMT #33 route.

##### See Click Fix:

Staff had no new See Click Fix ticket data for the board to review.

##### Call Log Tracking:

Mobility and Parking Director Felipe Lopez mentioned that the Mobility and Parking office has been classifying all inbound calls to the parking office and that this data might be useful to review with the board at future meetings.

### **Requested Updates:**

#### Hiawatha Gardens Update:

Mobility and Parking Director Felipe Lopez shared that the City Council has approved Phase I of the Hiawatha Gardens project and that there is a kick-off meeting scheduled for this Friday (January 30, 2026). The precise construction closure date is still to be determined.

### **MAP Board Presentations**

#### **Goal Review:**

The Board reviewed the 2026 Mobility and Parking Board goals presented and verbally approved by City Council at the October 28, 2025 work session.

#### Finalize RFP for Bike/Ped Plan, secure contractor

Vice Chair Karl Stang mentioned that discussion regarding this goal would be tabled until we know more about the mobility grant application that Mobility and Parking Director Felipe Lopez discussed under the earlier Funding Updates agenda item.

#### Conduct strategic session with MAP, City Council, and Staff

Vice Chair Karl Stang asked Council Liaison Nate Nassif if he would be open to working to get this goal on a future City Council work session agenda. Councilor Nassif asked that the MAP Board have some preliminary conversations to make sure that we are all aligned before going in front of the City Council. Board Member Luke Prince emphasized the importance of collaboration and discussion between the City Council, the MAP Board, residents, and businesses. Council Liaison Nate Nassif mentioned that it is wonderful to have such a capable board that can crystallize the collective thinking of the community.

#### Policy and onboarding manual for MAP Board

Vice Chair Karl Stang mentioned that this was a follow-up to the Board training provided by the City Clerk's office in late 2025 and that he believes other boards have a similar manual that we might be able to use as a starting template. Vice Chair Karl Stang asked for feedback and volunteers to help with this effort. Board Member Luke Prince asked if the manual could include a required reading list such as Plan Manitou. Vice Chair Karl Stang asked Luke Prince to generate an initial recommended reading list to review with Staff and the Board at a future meeting for inclusion in the Board manual.

#### Update City Residential Parking Permit Policy document

Mobility and Parking Director Felipe Lopez mentioned that there were some internal notes on this topic and that he is definitely looking forward to collaborating with the team in the future.

### **MAP Board Elections**

Vice Chair Karl Stang requested that the board defer elections to the February meeting such that all board members including Chair Cory Sutela would have the opportunity to be present.

### **Board Correspondence**

No correspondence or future agenda items were raised.

### **Adjournment**

Board Member Pamela Smith moved for the meeting to be adjourned at approximately 5:55 PM.