



## **Gondola Leadership Committee**

Monday, October 28, 2024

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

### **Town of Mountain Village Council Chambers**

455 Mountain Village Blvd, Suite A, Mountain Village, CO 81435

Hybrid Option: <https://qbsm.zoom.us/j/82493503295>

- Item 1:** Call to Order, Meeting Purpose and Agenda Review  
Presenter: Miles Graham  
Item Type: Informational  
Allotted Time: 5 minutes
- Item 2:** Project History and Background  
Presenter: Miles Graham  
Item Type: Informational  
Allotted Time: 10 minutes
- Item 4:** Project Development Update  
Presenters: Miles Graham and David Averill  
Item Type: Informational  
Allotted Time: 15 minutes
- Item 5:** Gondola Terminal and Station Area Planning  
Presenters: Amber Blake, Ed Parks and Pete Williams  
Item Type: Informational  
Allotted Time: 45 minutes
- Item 6:** Public Comment

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# AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY (AIS)

## Telluride Mountain Village Long-Range Gondola Funding Plan

Date	Agenda Item	Submitted By	Type
October 21, 2024	Gondola Project Development: Station Area Planning	Amber Blake, SMART Sr. Project Manager Ed Parks, AECOM AVP, Senior Manager Miles Graham, Facilitator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report</li> <li>• Work Session</li> <li><b>X</b> Discussion</li> <li>• Action</li> </ul>

### Background/Issue Statement

The purpose of the October 28, 2024, Gondola Leadership Committee meeting is to further update stakeholders on recent and upcoming activities, including critical steps for securing long-term funding. **The desired outcome of this discussion is to help finalize the framework for station-specific workshops, establish clarity on the “like-for-like” restoration of baseline transit functions, and determine jurisdiction-specific visions.** The process identified to approach these steps is recommended via consultation with the Gondola Subcommittee (Gsub), and will ultimately guide the vision for the entire gondola project as we move toward preliminary station area plans by summer 2025.

This Leadership Committee discussion will include station and terminal planning definitions, concepts and the overall project process and timeline. Key decisions and planning assumptions—such as baseline transit functions, ADA compliance, capacity targets, and transit-oriented development—will be discussed. The meeting will define the delineation between “**Project A**” (baseline transit function) and “**Project B**” (jurisdiction-specific station area amenities), with potential funding options through grants like CIG or RAISE and/or local sources. Cost estimates will be a topic of discussion at the November Gsub meeting and subsequent jurisdiction-specific station planning meetings, which are anticipated to begin after the November Gsub meeting.

The project team and Gsub’s recommended schedule and process for station area workshops will be presented at the October 2024 Gondola Leadership Committee meeting. In parallel with with the Gsub work on “Project A” baseline transit function for each station, the purpose of the forthcoming jurisdiction-specific workshops is to confirm station area evaluation criteria and kickoff the preliminary “Project B” station planning effort that will be led by the individual partner entities to determine jurisdiction-specific station area plans.

### Key Points

- **Project Development Approach**
  - Review October-December tasks for gondola station planning, ridership forecasting, cost estimates, and funding strategies.
  - Outline specific actions related to terminal and station planning, including scenario discussions and workshop preparation.
- **Station Planning Process**
  - Project A: Review baseline transit functions, ADA compliance, and capacity requirements across all (four) gondola stations. Led by the Gsub with regular updates to the Gondola Leadership Committee.

- Project B: Highlight jurisdictional responsibilities for station amenities, including Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) opportunities. Led by the individual jurisdictions with regular updates to the Gondola Leadership Committee.

- **Funding Strategy**

- Discuss funding plans for Project A (baseline transit function) and Project B (jurisdiction-specific station area amenities), including local sources and potential federal grants (CIG or RAISE).
- Discussion on additional funding opportunities for station amenities and development.

- **Decision Points & Schedule**

- October-November: Definition of “like-for-like” boundaries: “Project A” vs. “Project B,” stakeholders for each station, timeline and when the clock starts.
- November-December: Other evaluation criteria: construction phasing, ridership, cost, etc. Initiate jurisdiction-specific planning process.
- January 2025: Begin to develop unique station visions (entity led). Conduct station concept workshops for individual stations. FTA evaluation – Local Financial Commitment.
- June 2025: Jurisdiction-specific station area plans (preferred “Project B” concepts: June 2025)

- **Project Summary**

- Project A focuses on core transit functions, capacity increases, and ADA compliance.
- Project B includes station area improvements, TOD, and jurisdictional planning for additional amenities.

#### **Fiscal Impact**

- No fiscal impact related to this discussion item at this point in time.