



***FasTracks Citizens Advisory Committee  
Member Bios***

(As of September 1, 2009)

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***Tom Ashburn***, co-chair, is the Area Manager, Community and Local Government Affairs for Xcel Energy, responsible for maintaining effective working relationships with municipalities, counties and community organizations in Arapahoe, Douglas and Adams Counties. He is past chairman of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce; a past member of the Aurora Economic Development Council; member of the Southeast Business Partnership and South Metro Chamber of Commerce; a founding member of the Eastern Metro Transportation Coalition; and serves on the Community College of Aurora Foundation board of directors. Mr. Ashburn holds an MBA from Regis University and is a resident of Aurora, RTD District F (*Term expires 12/2010*).

***Alice Borodkin*** is a former member of the Colorado House of Representative, serving District 9 for eight years. During her tenure in the legislature, Rep. Borodkin served on the House Transportation and Energy Committee and was a staunch supporter of mass transit and RTD. Prior to moving to Denver, she was the director of marketing for the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) of New York City, responsible for marketing five operating agencies. Rep. Borodkin is a resident of Denver, RTD District E (*Term expires 12/2010*).

***Kenneth Burns*** is a financial advisor for Citi Smith Barney. Mr. Burns recently organized a coalition of communities within Thornton to work with RTD regarding the planning and environmental studies for the North Metro Corridor. He serves on the Denver Chamber of Commerce Transportation Committee, providing a regional perspective to the group. Mr. Burns holds a Bachelors of Science degree in Chemical Engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology, and Master of Management from Northwestern University and is a resident of Thornton, RTD District K (*Term expires 12/2011*).

***Thomas J. Burns*** is the former mayor of Englewood, 1994-2001, during which time he was a vocal champion for the Southwest Corridor light rail line, appearing before numerous meeting, testifying before Congressional Committees and lobbying members of Congress for support and funding. He later served as a member of the FasTracks Yes speaker's bureau. He is past chairman of the Metro Mayors Caucus; former member of the Denver Regional Council of Governments board of directors; and current member of the Englewood Water and Sewer Board and Urban Renewal Authority. Mr. Burns holds a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Iowa, a Juris Doctor from the University of Denver College of Law and is a resident of Englewood, RTD District H (*Term expires 12/2010*).

***Melvin Bush*** is president of Insurance Design and Placement. He is active on the following boards of directors: Ronald McDonald House Charities (Chair); Assets for Colorado Youth (Treasurer); Colorado Foundation for Public Health and the Environment; and Senior Housing Options (Chair of the Governance Committee). He was past

chairman of The Colorado Action for Healthy People's board of directors and past president of the LoDo Rotary Club. He attended St. Louis University for Undergraduate, Graduate (MBA), and Law School. He holds a Bachelors of Science degree in Business Administration (Finance) and is a resident of Adams County, RTD District B (*Term expires 12/2009*).

**Charles Choi** is president of C.Y. Choi & Associates, an architecture, planning and program management firm located in Lakewood, and has been involved in successful projects throughout the world. He served on the Lakewood Planning Commission for two terms, during which time the Comprehensive Plan for Lakewood was re-written; and as a trustee of the Iliff School of Theology. Mr. Choi holds a Bachelors degree in Architecture from the Cooper Union School of Art and Architecture in New York City and is a resident of Lakewood, RTD District M (*Term expires 12/2010*).

**David Erb** is president of David J. Erb & Company, a real estate development and brokerage company. He has served as president of numerous metropolitan districts and homeowners associations and is a board member of the Aurora Economic Development Council (AEDC). Mr. Erb holds a Bachelors degree in Civil Engineering from Iowa State University and is a resident of unincorporated Arapahoe County, RTD District E (*Term expires 12/2011*).

**Christine Garcia** is an enrollment specialist with Denver Health, providing assistance to the uninsured and underinsured in accessing state and federal benefits. Previously, Ms. Garcia served as a case manager for Servicios de la Raza and as a tobacco cessation specialist with National Jewish Medical Research Center. She is a recent graduate of the Transit Alliance Citizens Academy. Ms. Garcia holds a Bachelors degree in Spanish from the University of Northern Colorado and is a resident of Denver, RTD District C (*Term expires 12/2011*).

**James Hall** is president of FirstBank of Adams County, and has extensive experience in lending and land use/development issues. He has been actively involved in numerous non-profit, public entity and community boards including the Downtown Denver Partnership, Denver and Adams County Workforce Investment Boards, Greater Brighton Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Hall holds a Bachelors of Science degree in Business Administration and Finance from Truman State University as well as a graduate degree in Banking from the Pacific Coast Banking School. Mr. Hall is a resident of Westminster, RTD District J (*Term Expires 12/2011*).

**Anne Hayes**, co-chair, is a vice president of Westfield Development Company, a locally owned commercial real estate developer. She is a past member and chair of the US36TMO Steering Committee, as well as a past member of the Transit Alliance Action Fund Committee and JEC Transportation Committee. She currently serves on the Board of Union Station Advocates and is co-chair of the Sustainability Committee of the Colorado Energy Coalition through the Metro Denver EDC. For many years, she volunteered for Habitat for Humanity and served as a member of their site selection committee. Ms. Hayes holds Masters degrees in Urban Design and Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Colorado College of Architecture and Planning and is a resident of Denver, RTD District A (*Term expires 12/2009*).

**Casey Jones** is director for parking and transportation services at the University of Colorado at Boulder. Prior to joining CU, he worked in the areas of transportation, economic and community development. In addition to Boulder transportation issues, he is a member of the Longmont Transportation Advisory Board and 36 Commuting Solutions Steering Committee. Mr. Jones holds a Bachelors of Arts degree in political science from the University of Maryland, a Master of Public Administration degree from Eastern Washington University and a graduate of the Transit Alliance Citizen's Academy. He is a resident of a resident of Longmont, RTD District I (*Term expires 12/2010*).

**David Lewis** is president of S.A. Miro, Inc., a Denver-based engineering company. Mr. Lewis is past-chair of the DIA Partnership, a member of the Aurora Economic Development Council, and currently serves on the Union Station Advisory Committee. He provides pro-bono engineering services for Metro Denver Habitat for Humanity and is a member of the Rotary Club of Southeast Denver. Mr. Lewis holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Colorado, a Master of Business Administration from Colorado State University and lives in Aurora, RTD District F (*Term expires 12/2009*).

**Don Moore** is senior planner for the Douglas County Planning Division and is responsible for long-range planning, environmental analysis and regulatory compliance and reviewing development proposals. He is active in the Colorado Chapter of the American Planning Association, the Rocky Mountain Rail Authority, and the Transit Alliance. Mr. Moore holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Colorado State University and a Master of Environmental Policy and Management degree from the University of Denver and is a resident of Conifer, RTD District N (*Term expires 12/2010*).

**Angie Rivera-Malpiede** is director of the Stapleton Area Transportation Management Association. She led a consortium of public and private sector organizations to secure a master Eco Pass program at Stapleton. Ms. Rivera-Malpiede previously served as the development manager for Mi Casa Resource Center for Women and as director of development and public relations for the Denver Victims Service Center. She is a resident of Denver, RTD District C (*Term expires 12/2011*).

**Alex Sammoury** is executive director of the Longmont Entrepreneurial Network, an innovative technology incubator that assists entrepreneurs to create sustainable and profitable businesses. He is currently the board president of Workforce Boulder County, chairman of the Longmont Chamber of Commerce Public Policy Committee and immediate past chair of the Longmont Downtown Development Authority. Mr. Sammoury holds a Bachelors of Arts degree from the University of Colorado and is a resident of Longmont, RTD District I (*Term expires 12/2009*).

**Niloufar Vakili** is a project designer and urban planner for Tryba Architects in Denver with extensive experience in the planning and execution of transit-oriented development projects. She is active in AIA Colorado, serving on the board of directors and numerous committees, and volunteers for Habitat for Humanity. Ms. Vakili holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of the Arts in Tehran, Iran, a Master of

Architecture degree from the University of Colorado at Denver and is a resident of Denver, RTD District B (*Term expires 12/2011*).

***Debra Wilcox*** is a member of the management team of Bye Energy Inc., a start-up company developing bio fuel and electric propulsion systems for general aviation and is currently a member of the Colorado Aeronautical Board. She previously worked for the Colorado Legislative Council researching and drafting legislation, preparing ballot analyses and translated publications into Spanish. Ms. Wilcox holds a Bachelors of Arts degree in English Education from the University of Northern Colorado, a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Denver College of Law, and is a resident of Centennial, District G. (*Term expires 12/2009*).

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