# **Broomfield City Council Training and Travel Report**





## **Council Member Denny McCloskey**

#### 4 MARCH 2011—17 MARCH 2011

# NACO AND NLC ANNUAL LEADERSHIP AND LOBBYING CONFERENCES FOR BROOMFIELD CITY & COUNTY

Total Amount Expended: \$1960.50 City & County of Broomfield (\$2910.00 TOTAL) (include airfare, hotel, registration, and <u>all</u> other costs & reimbursements)

The City and County of Broomfield has multiple legislative requests of our Colorado Delegation. I continue the strategy of using Broomfield specific needs tied to NACO and NLC national issues. This maximizes the message for our citizens, and promotes the City and County of Broomfield as a leader in forming the message to be delivered to our Congressmen and Senators each year. It also affords a direct contact with each Chief of Staff and Legislative Aide. Over decades this partnership with NACO and NLC has helped move projects forward for the City and County of Broomfield. Economic development has always favored locations that maintain congressional relationships and have superior transportation and education systems. With the added element of Colorado's vistas and lifestyle, we should continue to see our name on the short list for relocation and start-ups. We can't let degradation of relationship, infrastructure and education change our winning equation.

The largest focus for Broomfield this year is to ensure funds allocated and approved for the US 36 BRT project and the Phase Two of 120<sup>th</sup> Avenue connection. The key action is to have Congress obligate the funds to ensure their availability and sustain the significant leveraged funds that depend on the obligated designation. Regionally the City and County of Broomfield has led in the effort to complete the Fastracks system as promised. This project is the largest in the nation, and Federal support will be a continuing need. Long-range issues of sensible entitlement reform and rail partnership are crucial. Urban transit, in lieu of endless capacity (continuing to add additional highway lanes) that includes right of way and condemnation requirements, preserves statewide dollars for our hundreds of miles of rural roads.

I was designated as lead speaker for Colorado Counties Caucus and engaged the 6 of 7 in the Colorado Delegation (only Congressman Lamborn failed to meet.) Special meetings with newly elected Congressmen Tipton and Gardner were beneficial. All were receptive, and appreciated the emphasis that projects and **JOBS** already on the street would grind to a halt if the total recission of dollars, **not yet obligated** occurred. I repeated the same message through my role with NLC & CML.

## **MEETINGS ATTENDED:**

## NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES (CCI):

COLORADO DELEGATION CAUCUS

HIGHWAY 7 HIGHWAY SAFETY

MASS TRANSIT-RAIL

PORTS (INLAND & SECURITY)

AIRPORTS (GENERAL AVIATION ISSUES)

NACO PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

TRANSPORTATION STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

WORSHIP SERVICE

WESTERN REGION MEETING

LUCC (LARGE URBAN COUNTY) STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

LUCC/RAC RECEPTION

LUCC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

A NEW WORLD IN TRANSPORTATION

FORECLOSURE SUPPORT FOR HOMEOWNERS & COMMUNITY

OPENING SESSION (MULLEN, HOLDER, SCARBOROUGH)

GENERAL SESSION (DONOVAN, COONS, BALLEW)

FEDERAL DEBT & FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY: WHAT REFORM MEANS TO

YOUR COUNTY

ATTENDEE LUNCHEON (MICA, HASTINGS, BROWN)

US MEXICO BORDER COUNTIES COALITION: LEGISLATIVE & BUSINESS

**MEETING** 

NACO PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

CONGRESSMAN SCOTT TIPTON RECEPTION

CCI LOBBY APPOINTMENTS

SENATOR BENNET

SENATOR UDALL

**CONGRESSMAN GARDNER** 

CONGRESSMAN PERLMUTTER

**CONGRESSMAN POLIS** 

CONGRESSMAN COFFMAN

**CONGRESSMAN TIPTON** 

CONGRESSMAN DI GETTE

CONGRESSMAN LAMBORN (NO SHOW)

### NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES (CML):

PALIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

LEADERSHIP STYLE

TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE POLICY COMMITTEE

TRANSPORTATION STEERING COMMITTEE

WESTERN MUNICIPAL MEETING

FEDERAL GO-CO STYLE FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM

COLORADO ISSUES BRIEFING

COLORADO CONGRESSMAN COMBINED MEETING

WHITE HOUSE BRIEFING ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS: WITH DAVID AGNEW

## BREAKFAST MEETING WITH COLORADO SENATORS AT VFW

TOTAL COSTS:	\$3755.00
BROOMFIELD COST:	\$2805.50
NACO registration:	\$490.00
NLC registration:	\$355.00
HOTEL COSTS:	\$1622.40
AIR COST:	\$338.10
PERDIEM: (per government guidelines, actual higher) (Council Member Paid)	\$898.50
SPECIAL MEETINGS: SENATOR BREAKFAST (Council Member Paid	\$31.00
TRANSPORTATION: METRO CARD (Council Member Paid)	\$20.00