

# MINUTES CONGESTION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE August 28, 2019

A meeting of the Congestion Management Committee was held on Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Two 20th Street North, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room, Birmingham, Alabama.

# **PRESENT**

Becky Rogers, Neel-Schaffer Bob Portera, Neel-Schaffer Greg Dawkins, Collier Joshua Johnson, BJCTA Charles Cochran, Sain Jeff Stephenson, Sain Ty Wilson, ALDOT Richard Caudle, Skipper Clark Bailey, Kimley Horn Blair Perry, Gresham Smith Christopher Brady, Vestavia Hills LoriBeth Kearley, Vestavia Hills Andrew Sullivan, UAB Nan Baldwin, BBA Wyatt Jacobs, ALDOT Blake Miller, ALDOT Becky White, Sain Dannette Ratcliff, ALDOT Rodney Long, Hoover Mike Kaczorowski, RPCGB Scott Tillman, RPCGB Harry He, RPCGB Laurel Land, RPCGB Samuel Parsons, RPCGB

Mike Kaczorowski called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

# **INTRODUCTORY ITEMS**

Mike Kaczorowski gave a brief introduction regarding the meeting purpose, followed by attendees introducing themselves.

# I-20/59 CBD CLOSURE – BEFORE AND AFTER DATA

Mike Kaczorowski presented data on traffic and speed changes on I-20/59 before and after the closure. Becky White commented regarding the increased traffic on I-459 since February. She also inquired about truck count changes on I-459.

# SIGNAL SYSTEM MODIFICATIONS for the I-20/59 CBD CLOSURE

Jeff Stephenson, Sain Associates, presented information regarding ITS and traffic operations for the I-20/59 Closure. Charles Cochran, Sain Associates, presented information on the microsimulation model and recommendations for the I-20/59 Closure, along with outcomes.

# SCATS SIGNAL SYSTEM FEASIBILITY STUDY

Richard Caudle, Skipper Consulting, explained SCATS (Sydney Coordinated Adaptive Traffic System) and a study for its applicability to Highway 31 in Vestavia Hills.

# **FIVE MOST SEVERE BOTTLENECKS**

Mike Kaczorowski explained travel time index (TTI) and discussed the locations where the worst bottlenecks occur on the interstates during PM peak hour. All five projects are identified in the Regional Transportation Plan for improvement.

# **OTHER**

Mike Kaczorowski discussed potential agenda items for future meetings. Several Committee members expressed their interest in learning more about the RTOP program. Mike Kaczorowski said he would solicit the appropriate officials to come present at the next meeting tentatively scheduled for March.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m.