



May 28, 2015

MEMORANDUM

TO: Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
FROM: Mr. Tim Westhoven, MPO Advisory Committee Chairman
SUBJECT: **MPO Advisory Committee Minutes**
May 28, 2015

A meeting of the Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, May 28, 2015, RPCGB Juster Conference Room (310), 2 North 20th Street, Birmingham, AL 35203.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Tim Westhoven, City of Hoover, MPO Advisory Committee Chairman
Mr. Andre Bittas, City of Birmingham
Honorable Jerry Brasseale, Jefferson County Municipalities
Mr. Randy Cole, Shelby County
Mr. Scott Holladay, Shelby County
Honorable David Jones, St. Clair County
Honorable Roger McCondichie, Jefferson County Municipalities
Ms. Tracy Pate, Jefferson County

MEMBERS REPRESENTED BY PROXY

Honorable William Bell, City of Birmingham
Represented by Mr. Kevin Owens
Honorable Joe Knight, Jefferson County
Represented by Mr. Zach Brooks
Ms. Christie Pannell-Hester, Shelby County
Represented by Mr. Chad Scroggins
Honorable Kim Rafferty, City of Birmingham
Represented by Mr. Marcus O'Dell
Mr. Clyde Rice, St. Clair County Public Transportation
Represented by Mr. David Jones

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Honorable Allen Armstrong, Blount County Public Transportation

Mr. Dan Biles, Unincorporated Jefferson County
 Mr. Mark Bartlett, Federal Highway Administration (Non-voting member)
 Honorable Tom Henderson, Jefferson County Municipalities, Center Point
 Mr. Robert Jilla, Alabama Department of Transportation (Non-voting member)
 Ms. Johnnye Lassiter, BJCTA
 Honorable Gary Stricklin, Blount County Commission

OTHERS PRESENT

Honorable Jon Graham, City of Calera
 Mr. Roy Hadaway, City of Calera
 Mr. Jeff, Guest of the City of Calera
 Mr. Fenn Church, Clastran
 Mr. Ken Boozer, Jefferson County
 Mr. Jesse Jowers, City of Pelham
 Mr. Willie Osborne, TCC Vice- Chairman
 Mr. Greg Dawkins, City of Birmingham
 Mr. Scott Tillman, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
 Mr. Mike Kaczorowski, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
 Ms. Ricki Hall, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
 Ms. Lisa Smith, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
 Ms. Jeniese Hosey, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
 Ms. Cissy Crowe, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham

MPO Advisory Committee Chairman Tim Westhoven called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. It was determined that a quorum was present.

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

Councilor Jones moved and Mr. Bittas seconded to approve the minutes of March 26, 2015 as presented. Motion passed on a voice vote.

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Mike Kaczorowski presented the following amendments for the FY2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program.

ALDOT Request to Add the following projects to TIP

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| STPBH-1065() | 100063098 | INTERSTATE LIGHTING UPGRADE ON I-65 FROM NORTH OF CR-120 (WALKER CHAPEL ROAD) EXIT 267 TO CR-118 (FIELDSTOWN ROAD) EXIT 271 | 6/10/2015 | PE | 6/11/2015 | 2015 | \$300,000 | Exempt | Surface Transportation Program - Birmingham |
| ST-037-007-006() | 100063658 | INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS TO THE I-459 /SR-7/US-11 RAMP JUNCTIONS | 6/10/2015 | CN | 7/31/2015 | 2015 | \$3,000,000 | Exempt | State Funds |

These projects are exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.

City of Calera Request to Add the following projects to TIP

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| CMAQ- 1065() | 100063 670 | INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS I-65 @ SR-3 (US-31) EXIT 231 GRADE, DRAIN, BASE, PAVE & BRIDGE IN SHELBY COUNTY (RAMP) | 6/10/2015 | RW | 6/11/2015 | 2015 | \$1,000,000 | Exempt | Congestion Mitigation Air Quality |
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This project is exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.

City of Homewood Request to Add the following projects to TIP

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| STPBH-3715() | 100063 740 | HOMEWOOD PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT STUDY | 6/10/2015 | SP | 7/1/2015 | 2015 | \$40,000 | Exempt | Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham |
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This project is exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.

Birmingham Jefferson County Transit Authority Request to Add the following projects to TIP

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| To be determined | tbd | BJCTA BUS AND BUS RELATED CAPITAL – FY2015 | 6/10/2015 | TR | 7/31/2015 | 2015 | \$1,200,000 | Exempt | Congestion Mitigation Air Quality |
| To be determined | tbd | FLEXIBLE FUNDS TRANSFER TO FTA FOR PARATRANSIT CONSORTIUM – FY2015 - OPERATIONS | 6/10/2015 | TR | 7/31/2015 | 2015 | \$3,850,000 | Exempt | Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham |

This project is exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.

City of Birmingham Request to Add the following projects to TIP

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| CMAQ-TR15() | 1000637 34 | INTERMODAL FACILITY PHASE 2 | 6/10/2015 | TR | 8/1/2015 | 2015 | \$4,200,000 | Exempt | Congestion Mitigation Air Quality |
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This project is exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.

Mr. Kaczorowski also presented a last minute request from ALDOT. CR2303 (Lakeshore Parkway) at I-65 Interchange Modifications, \$500,000, Ref No. 100064151, PE, Target Start Date is 7/1/2015

Mr. Osborne, Vice-Chair TCC, stated that they approved moving this forward. Mr. Greg Dawkins, Chairman TTC, stated that they approved moving this forward. Mr. Owens moved and Mr. Scroggins seconded to recommend approval of the TIP amendments as presented. Motion passed on a voice vote.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Mr. Westhoven presented the following Bylaws changes. The primary reason changes are necessary is due to the reorganization of the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT). This is a second read and the Advisory Committee can adopt their sections and recommend passing the Policy membership for approval.

Article 3 - Membership

3.3 Representation

~~H. One representative from the 1st Division State of Alabama, Department of Transportation to be selected by the Division Engineer.~~

~~H. One representative from the East Central Region, State of Alabama, Department of Transportation to be selected by the Region Engineer.~~

~~I. One representative from the 3rd Division State of Alabama, Department of Transportation to be selected by the Division Engineer.~~

~~J. I.~~ One representative from the Birmingham Jefferson County Transit Authority to be selected by the Board Chairman.

~~K. J.~~ One representative from Blount County Public Transportation, to be selected by the Blount County Commission.

~~L. K.~~ One representative from St. Clair County Public Transportation, to be selected by the St. Clair County Commission.

Article 9 – MPO Advisory Committee

9.2 MEMBERSHIP

~~H. One representative from the 1st Division, State of Alabama, Department of Transportation to be selected by the Division Engineer.~~

~~I. One (1) representative from the 3rd Division, State of Alabama Department of Transportation to be selected by the Division Engineer.~~

~~H. One (1) representative from East Central Region, State of Alabama Department of Transportation to be selected by the Region Engineer.~~

~~J. I.~~ One representative from the Birmingham-Jefferson County Transit Authority, to be selected by the Board Chairman.

~~K. J.~~ One representative from St. Clair County Public Transportation, to be selected by the St. Clair County Commission.

~~L. K.~~ One representative from Blount County Public Transportation, to be selected by the Blount County Commission.

Mr. Holladay moved and Ms. Pate seconded to adopt the changes to the Advisory Committee membership and recommend the Policy Committee adopt the changes to their committee. Motion passed on a voice vote

UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

Mr. Tillman presented the FY2016 UPWP. Following are highlights.

There are seven task areas in the 2016 UPWP:

- Task 1.0 Administration
- Task 2.0 Planning Information
- Task 3.0 Public Involvement
- Task 4.0 Environmental Process Planning
- Task 5.0 Transportation Systems
- Task 6.0 Programs and Technical Assistance
- Task 7.0 Corridor Planning and Special Projects

The federal funding source for each task area and project is also identified. Total federal funds available for each source include:

1. FHWA PL = \$1,172,975
2. FHWA STP = \$2,420,000
3. FTA 5309 = \$1,800,000
4. FHWA CMAQ = \$700,000
5. ALDOT Support = \$200,000

Mr. Osborne, Vice-Chair TCC, stated that they approved moving this forward. Mr. Greg Dawkins, Chairman TTC, stated that they approved moving this forward. Mr. Bittas moved and Mr. Cole seconded to recommend approval of the UPWP. Motion passed on a voice vote.

COMMUTESMART REPORT

Ms. Lisa Smith with CommuteSmart, a program of the RPCGB, presented a FY2014 report covering the following topics:

- Reduction in vehicle miles, emission and cost savings to commuters
- Mode Share
- Program tracking
- Get Green Program
- Commuter Club Program
- Emergency Ride Home
- Vanpool
- Outreach and Public Relations

MPO POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA (June 10, 2015)

The proposed MPO Policy Committee meeting agenda will include the following items:

- Agenda Item #2 (TIP Amendments)
- Agenda Item #3 (Bylaws)
- Agenda Item #4 (FY2016 UPWP)
- Agenda Item #5 (CS Report)
- Mr. DeJarvis Leonard presentation

Councilor Jones moved and Mr. Bittas seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed on a voice vote.

OTHER

Chairman Westhoven reviewed the list of meetings. The Advisory Committee meeting for June is cancelled. There will be a Public Involvement Meeting July 15, 2015 for the Air Quality Conformity Determination for the FY2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Amended 2040 Regional Transportation Plan Capacity Project Listing.

Mr. Tillman announced Public Involvement meetings for the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

With no other business, the Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

APPROVED:

Mr. Tim Westhoven
MPO Advisory Committee Chairman

Date