



September 25, 2014

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)  
**FROM:** Mr. Tim Westhoven, MPO Advisory Committee Chairman  
**SUBJECT:** **MPO Advisory Committee Minutes**  
September 25, 2014

A meeting of the Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, September 25, 2014, RPCGB Juster Conference Room (310), 2 North 20<sup>th</sup> Street, Birmingham, AL 35203.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Honorable Jerry Brasseale, Jefferson County Municipalities  
Mr. Randy Cole, Shelby County  
Honorable Tom Henderson, Jefferson County Municipalities, Center Point  
Mr. Scott Holladay, Shelby County  
Honorable Roger McCondichie, Jefferson County Municipalities

**MEMBERS REPRESENTED BY PROXY**

Honorable William Bell, City of Birmingham  
Represented by Mr. Kevin Owens  
Mr. Andre Bittas, City of Birmingham  
Represented by Mr. Fred Hawkins  
Ms. Joyce Brooks, BJCTA  
Represented by Dr. Henry Ikwut Ukwa  
Mr. Brian Davis, ALDOT  
Represented by Mr. Terry Sitton  
Mr. David Hunke, Shelby County  
Represented by Ms. Christie Pannell-Hester  
Honorable Joe Knight, Jefferson County  
Represented by Mr. Evan Williams  
Ms. Tracy Pate, Jefferson County  
Represented by Mr. Ken Boozer  
Honorable Kim Rafferty, City of Birmingham  
Represented by Mr. Marcus O'Dell  
Mr. Tim Westhoven, City of Hoover, MPO Advisory Committee Chairman  
Represented by Mr. Rod Long

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Honorable Allen Armstrong, Blount County Public Transportation  
 Mr. Mark Bartlett, Federal Highway Administration (Non-voting member)  
 Mr. Johnny Harris, Alabama Department of Transportation 1<sup>st</sup> Division  
 Mr. Walter Jackson, Unincorporated Jefferson County  
 Mr. Robert Jilla, Alabama Department of Transportation (Non-voting member)  
 Honorable David Jones, St. Clair County  
 Mr. Clyde Rice, St. Clair County Public Transportation  
 Honorable Gary Stricklin, Blount County Commission

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Mr. Willie Osborne, TCC Vice- Chairman  
 Mr. Sedrick Rutledge, City of Birmingham  
 Mr. Scott Tillman, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham  
 Mr. Mike Kaczorowski, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham  
 Ms. Cissy Crowe, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham

MPO Policy Committee Chairman Mayor Tom Henderson called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. It was determined that a quorum was present.

**INTRODUCTORY ITEMS**

Mr. Holladay moved and Mayor McCondicchie seconded to approve the minutes of July 24, 2014 as presented. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

Mr. Kaczorowski presented the following requests to amend the FY2013-2015 TIP.

**BJCTA Request to Add the following projects to TIP**

FTA9-TR14()	10006 2971	SECTION 5307 TRANSIT BJCTA PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE FY 2014	10/8/2014	TR	10/9/2014	2014	\$8,680,315	Exempt	Transit
to be determined	tbd	SECTION 5307 TRANSIT BJCTA URBANIZED FORMULA FOR FY 2013 (GENERAL FUNDS)	10/8/2014	TR	10/9/2014	2013	\$2,339,284	Exempt	Transit
to be determined	tbd	SECTION 5307 TRANSIT BJCTA URBANIZED FORMULA FOR FY 2013 (TRUST FUNDS)	10/8/2014	TR	10/9/2014	2013	\$6,199,045	Exempt	Transit

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

**Vestavia Hills Request to Add the following projects to TIP**

to be determined	tbd	CAHABA RIVER ROAD FROM US-280 TO KEY DR – RECONSTRUCT AND ADD TURN LANES AT INTERSECTIONS	10/8/2014	PE	10/31/2014	2014	\$500,000	Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham
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This project is exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.

A letter from ALDOT was presented as an additional TIP amendment that arrived after table prepared for this meeting. The following is the amendment in table format.

**ALDOT Request to Add the following projects to TIP**

STPAA- HSIP- 0025(542)	10006 2326	RESURFACE, 2' SAFETY WIDENING, PLANE, STRIPE, LEVEL, AND PATCH SR-25 FROM BUSINESS HIGHWAY 25 IN COLUMBIANA TO CR-61 IN WILSONVILLE. (MP. 130.8 TO MP. 138.4).	10/8/2014	CN	1/30/2015	2015	\$2,080,000	Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Any Area and High Safety Improvement Program
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This project is exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.

The Vestavia HillsTIP request will focus on area from hospital and Acton Road.

Mr. Willie Osborne, TCC Vice-Chair, stated that the TCC recommended moving this item forward. The TTC recommended moving this item forward. Mr. Cole moved and Mr. Long seconded to recommend approval of the TIP amendments to the Policy Committee. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**JOB ACCESS AND REVERSE COMMUTE (JARC), NEW FREEDOM AND SECTION 5310**

Ms. Land presented information on all the applications received following a Request for Projects. The Committee scored the applications and ranked them according to which will be funded first. The reason for the ranking was due to uncertainty of exactly how much money remains in each funding source. The funds will be paid out until all funds are expended. Under MAP-21, JARC and New Freedom does not exist and this process is expending remaining funds provided under SAFETEA-LU. The Section 5310 funds are new to the urbanized area and provided for under MAP-21.

**SUMMARY OF APPLICATIONS AND RANKING**

Applicant Name	Request	Requested Grant Amount	Average
<b>NEW FREEDOM</b>			
Collat Jewish Family Services	Operating Assistance	\$54,000.00	1
Kid One Transport	Operating Assistance	\$71,109.00	2
Lakeshore Foundation	One 19-passenger cutaway; one SUV	\$132,800.00	3
The Village	Operating assistance; one minivan	\$38,252.50	4
<b>JARC</b>			
Aletheia House			
REV Birmingham	Operating assistance for two years; capital equipment for administration	\$580,520.00	1

The Village			
<b>5310</b>			
Glenwood	7 minivans and GPS	\$204,798.00	1
Collat Jewish Family Services	One 14-passenger cutaway van	\$33,600.00	2
Kid One Transport	1 cutaway van; computers; software; cell phones	\$69,058.00	2
Lakeshore Foundation	One 19-passenger cutaway; one SUV	\$132,800.00	3
ClasTran	24 cutaway vans; 3 computers	\$1,039,440.00	4

Dr. Ikwut-Ukwa moved and Mr. Long seconded to recommend approval of the projects to the Policy Committee. Passed on a voice vote.

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

Mr. Kaczorowski presented the following funding information contained in the draft 2040 Regional Transportation Plan.

**2040 Regional Transportation Plan - Birmingham MPO**

**Federal Funding for Capacity and Operations & Maintenance - Roadway (Year 2014 Dollars)**

<u>MAP-21 Categories</u>	<u>25 Year Funding Projections</u>	<u>Annual Average</u>	<u>25 Yr Capacity Project Funding</u>	<u>25 Yr Operations &amp; Maintenance Funding</u>
National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)*	\$1,361,419,714	\$54,456,789	\$896,567,005	\$464,852,709
Surface Transportation Program-Bham MPO (STPBH)	\$394,392,250	\$15,775,690	\$200,905,811	\$193,486,439
Surface Transportation Program-Other (STPAA)**	\$122,768,681	\$4,910,747	\$85,270,940	\$37,497,741
Other Bridge Funding	\$65,940,315	\$2,637,613	\$17,659,714	\$48,280,601
Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ)	\$272,563,975	\$10,902,559	\$0	\$272,563,975
Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)	\$39,681,050	\$1,587,242	\$0	\$39,681,050
Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)	\$29,947,775	\$1,197,911	\$0	\$29,947,775
<u>Other Federal Funding and Funding from SAFETEA-LU (unspent funding left over from the previous transportation bill)</u>				
Appalachian Highway System***	\$147,939,079	-	\$147,939,079	-

High Priority and Congressional Earmark Funding***	\$9,563,195	-	\$9,563,195	-
2040 Regional Transportation Plan Totals:	\$2,444,216,034	\$91,468,550	\$1,357,905,744	\$1,086,310,290
Previous Plan - 2035 Regional Transportation Plan Totals:	\$3,736,775,167	\$160,271,053	\$2,268,842,000	\$1,467,933,167
Difference:	(\$1,292,559,133)	(\$68,802,503)	(\$910,936,256)	(\$381,622,877)

\* Includes \$25.5 million for the first year and an additional \$500,000 per year for 25 years for the Northern Beltline.

\*\* Includes \$66,146,702 million of ATRIPS funding

\*\*\* Includes funding from capacity projects authorized in fiscal years 2013 and 2014

He included the following information concerning the Northern Beltline.

- ALDOT is allocating \$25.5 million for the first year with an additional \$0.5 million per year after that (\$31.75 million average per year)
- All federal funding spent on the Northern Beltline will not require a local match – 100% federal funds
- Appalachian Highway funds have been combined with the National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) funding as per MAP-21
- FHWA will not allow the use of a “dotted line” to show PE and/or ROW phases
- Western portion is planned to be completed beyond the 2040 RTP

He also presented the following information concerning a component of the RTP

- What is Transportation System Management and Operations (TSMO)?
- TSMO’s history
- TSMO’s recommendations
- Performance Measures

**MPO POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA (October 8, 2014)**

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

- Agenda Item #2 (TIP)
- Agenda Item #3 (JARC/NF,5310)
- Agenda Item #4 (RTP)

Mr. Holladay moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**OTHER**

Mayor Henderson reviewed a list of meetings.

With no other business, the Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

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Mr. Tim Westhoven  
MPO Advisory Committee Chairman

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Date