



June 8, 2016

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Birmingham Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Policy Committee

FROM: Mr. Randy Cole, Secretary /s/

**SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2016**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Birmingham Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee was held on Wednesday, June 8, 2016, in the RPCGB, Juster Conference Room (Suite 310), Two Twentieth Street North, Birmingham, AL 35203.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Randy Cole, Secretary, District 5, Shelby County
Honorable Allen Armstrong, Blount County Public Transportation
Mr. Cletus Beard, District 6, St. Clair County
Mr. Andre Bittas, District 1, City of Birmingham
Mr. Fred Hawkins, District 1, City of Birmingham
Honorable Thomas Henderson, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Honorable David Jones, District 6, St. Clair County
Mr. Tom Magee, District 1, District 5, Shelby County
Ms. Christie Pannell Hester, District 5, Shelby County
Ms. Tracy Pate, District 2, Unincorporated Jefferson County
Mr. Othell Phillips, District 2, Unincorporated Jefferson County
Mr. Clyde Rice, St. Clair County Public Transportation
Honorable Loxcil Tuck, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities

MEMBERS REPRESENTED BY PROXY

Honorable Valerie Abbott, District 1, City of Birmingham
Represented by Mr. Darryl Lee
Honorable William Bell, District 1, City of Birmingham
Represented by Mr. Kevin Owens
Mr. Dan Biles, District 2, Unincorporated Jefferson County
Represented by Mr. Evan Williams

Ms. Lisa Cooper, District 1, City of Birmingham
Represented by Mr. Andy Mayo
Honorable Marty Handlon, District 5, Shelby County, City of Alabaster
Represented by Mr. Brett Tucker
Mr. Scott Holladay, District 5, Shelby County
Represented by Ms. Christie Pannell Hester
Mr. DeJarvis Leonard, ALDOT East Central Region
Represented by Mr. Lance Taylor
Honorable Roger McCondichie, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Represented by Honorable Tom Henderson
Honorable Lawrence Oden, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Represented by Mr. Ronald Vaughn
Honorable William Parker, MPO Vice-Chairman, District 1, City of Birmingham
Represented by Ms. Kamilah Gray Lewis
Dr. Patrick Sellers, BJCTA
Represented by Ms. Wytangy Peak
Honorable Rick Shepherd, District 5, Shelby County
Represented by Mr. Randy Cole
Honorable Alberto Zaragoza, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Represented by Mr. Conrad Watson

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Mr. Tim Westhoven, MPO Chairman, District 4, City of Hoover, Jefferson County
Honorable Tommy Alexander, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Honorable Delor Baumann, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Honorable George Bowman, District 2, Unincorporated Jefferson County
Honorable Jerry Brasseale, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Honorable Kenneth Coachman, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Mr. Greg Dawkins, District 1, City of Birmingham
Honorable Mark Hall, District 5, Shelby County
Honorable Stan Hogeland, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Honorable Steven Hoyt, District 1, City of Birmingham
Mr. Brett King, Blount County Public Transportation
Honorable Joe Knight, District 2, Unincorporated Jefferson County
Mr. Rod Long, District 5, Shelby County - City of Hoover
Honorable Jim Lowery, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Honorable Gene Melton, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Mr. Allen Pate, District 4, City of Hoover, Jefferson County
Honorable Gary Richardson, District 3, Jefferson County Municipalities
Honorable Gary Waters, District 5, Shelby County
Mr. Mark Bartlett, FHWA, Non-Voting Member
Honorable Slade Blackwell, Non-Voting Representative
Honorable Kurt Wallace, Non-Voting Representative
Mr. Robert Jilla, ALDOT, Non-Voting Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Willie Osborne, TCC
Mr. Louis Willie, City of Birmingham Council District 2

Mr Fenn Church, ClasTran
 Mr. Matt Stoops, Sain Associates
 Mr. Preston Huddleston, Sain Associates
 Ms. Andrea Pickrell, United Consulting
 Ms. Samantha St. John, ClasTran
 Ms. Shari Spencer, ClasTran
 Mr. Terry Sutton, ALDOT
 Mr. Charles Ball, Regional Planning Commission
 Mr. Scott Tillman, Regional Planning Commission
 Mr. Mike Kaczorowski, Regional Planning Commission
 Ms. Lindsay Puckett, Regional Planning Commission
 Mr. Rajon Hudson, Regional Planning Commission
 Ms. Cissy Edwards Crowe, Regional Planning Commission

MPO Secretary Randy Cole called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. A quorum was declared.

The meeting proceeded with the scheduled agenda.

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

Councilor Jones moved and Ms. Christie Pannell-Hester seconded to approve the April 13, 2016 meeting minutes. The motion passed on a voice vote.

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Mr. Fenn Church, ClasTran, gave a presentation in support of his request for funding. Mr. Fred Hawkins, City of Birmingham, gave a presentation in support their two requests for funding for the Corridor Study to Relocate I-59/I-20 and for the Pedestrian and Streetscape Improvements Underneath I-59/I-20 CBD Bridge.

Mr. Mike Kaczorowski presented the TIP amendments.

ALDOT Requests to ADD the following projects to the TIP

ST-037-I59-009	100065536	CORRIDOR STUDY TO RELOCATE I-59/20 OUTSIDE OF THE DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM AREA	6/8/2016	SP	9/1/2016	2016	\$3,000,000	Exempt	State
ACIM-ACCMAQ-3716()	100065615	PEDESTRIAN AND STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS UNDERNEATH THE I-59/I-20 CBD BRIDGE	6/8/2016	CN	8/26/2016	2016	\$4,000,000	Exempt	Congestion Mitigation Air Quality
ACIM-ACCMAQ-3716()	100065615	PEDESTRIAN AND STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS UNDERNEATH THE I-59/I-20 CBD BRIDGE	6/8/2016	CN	8/26/2016	2020	\$6,000,000**	Exempt	Congestion Mitigation Air Quality
ACIM-ACCMAQ-3716()	100065615	PEDESTRIAN AND STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS UNDERNEATH THE I-59/I-20 CBD BRIDGE	6/8/2016	CN	8/26/2016	2016	\$26,000,000	Exempt	Interstate Maintenance
UMTAC-TR16()	100065510	SECTION 5310 TRANSIT MENTAL HEALTH BD CHILTON-SHELBY COUNTIES CAPITAL ROLLING STOCK FY 2016 (2 Mini-Vans)	6/8/2016	TR	7/1/2016	2016	\$105,760	Exempt	Transit

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

** This funding would be allocated in the FY2020-2023 TIP

ALDOT Requests to DELETE the following projects FROM the TIP

CMAQ-9802()	100029514	CONGESTION MGT / AREAWIDE TRAFFIC SYSTEM (PHASE 6) MESSAGE SIGNS AND VEHICLE DETECTION DEVICES; I-20 FROM I-59 EAST TO SR-4 (US-78) EXIT 140	6/8/2016	CN	-	-	\$3,455,637	Exempt	Congestion Mitigation Air Quality
CMAQ-9802(913)	100039232	BIRMINGHAM PHASE 5 ATMS FIBER INSTALLATION, I-59 FROM EB STEPHENS EXP NORTH TO CHALKVILLE ROAD, HUB C INSTALLATION, CCTV, TRAFFIC DETECTORS AND DMS DROPS	6/8/2016	CN	-	-	\$7,550,461	Exempt	Congestion Mitigation Air Quality

City of Birmingham Requests to ADD the following projects to the TIP

STPBH-7131()	100065501	CR-94 (DANIEL PAYNE DRIVE) ADD CONTINUOUS TWO-WAY LEFT TURN LANE FROM CR-105 (CHERRY AVENUE) TO I-65 PROJECT (SPONSOR THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM)	6/8/2016	PE	6/9/2016	2016	\$350,000	Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham
To be determined	tbd	ADVANCED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM ASSESSMENT	6/8/2016	SP	7/1/2016	2016	\$400,000	Exempt	Congestion Mitigation Air Quality

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

City of Birmingham Requests to DELETE the following projects FROM the TIP

STPBH-7131()	100042370	CR-94 (DANIEL PAYNE DRIVE) ADD CONTINUOUS TWO-WAY LEFT TURN LANE FROM CR-105 (CHERRY AVENUE) TO I-65 PROJECT (SPONSOR THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM)	6/8/2016	PE	-	-	\$200,000	Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham
STPBH-NR01()	100039861	ITS FIBER OPTIC PLAN, CITY WIDE FOR ITS ARTERIAL INCIDENT MGT.	6/8/2016	PE	-	-	\$168,729	Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Any Area

Blount County Requests to Add the following project to the TIP

100062127	ST-005-160-007	SR-160 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT MOUNTAIN WOODS LAKE ROAD AND DRAINAGE CORRECTION AT STANDHOLTON DRIVE	6/8/2016	UT	7/1/2016	2016	\$500,000	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 Tarrant Requests to add TAP funds to a current Transportation Enhancement project

100052225	STPTE-TE(915)	AQUEDUCT MULTI-USE TRAIL ON AL-79 IN THE CITY OF TARRANT	6/8/2016	CN	7/1/2016	2016	\$175,000	Exempt	Transportation Alternative Program - MPO
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This project is exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.

This amendment would add \$175,000 (\$140,000 TAP-MPO and \$35,000 local) to the existing project.

BJCTA Request to Modify the Description and Reduce the Amount of the following project in the TIP

100065073	FTA9C-TR16()	SECTION 5307 BJCTA CAPITAL STAFF VEHICLES	6/8/2016	TR	6/9/2016	2016	\$261,891	Exempt	Transit
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These projects are exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.

Jefferson County has Agreed to Move the following projects out of the TIP to Fiscal Year 2020

100007628	STPBH-9802(904)	SIGNALS AND WIDENING PH 7 1. MT. OLIVE RD AT NEW FOUND RD. 2. UNION GROVE AT BANKHEAD HWY. 3. HEFLIN AV. AT RIDERWOOD TR. 4. TARRANT RD. AT PINEYWOOD RD./SKELTON AV. 5. TYLER LOOP RD.	6/8/2016	CN	10/1/2019	2020	\$6,556,081	Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham
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		AT SWEENEY HOLLOW RD. 6. CHALKVILLE RD. AT PINEVIEW RD.							
100064232	STPBH-3715()	EASTERN VALLEY ROAD (CR-18), WIDENING TO 3 LANES FROM MCASHAN DRIVE TO LETSON FARM PARKWAY	6/8/2016	RW	10/1/2019	2020	\$2,000,000	Non-Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham

Jefferson County Requests to Add the following project to the TIP

To be determined	tbd	SIGNALS AND WIDENING PH 7 1. MT. OLIVE RD AT NEW FOUND RD. 2. UNION GROVE AT BANKHEAD HWY. 3. HEFLIN AV. AT RIDERWOOD TR. 4. TARRANT RD. AT PINEYWOOD RD./SKELTON AV. 5. TYLER LOOP RD. AT SWEENEY HOLLOW RD. 6. CHALKVILLE RD. AT PINEVIEW RD.	6/8/2016	UT	9/1/2018	2018	\$1,200,000	Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham
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This project is exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.

BJCTA/ClasTran Requests to ADD the following projects to the TIP

To be determined	tbd	CLASTRAN – PURCHASE 5 NEW BUSES	6/8/2016	TR	7/1/2016	2016	\$261,800	Exempt	Congestion Mitigation Air Quality
To be determined	tbd	FLEXIBLE FUNDS TRANSFER TO FTA FOR PARATRANSIT CONSORTIUM FY-2017- OPERATIONS	6/8/2016	TR	2/1/2017	2017	\$3,850,000	Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham

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

The Committee discussed the projects. Mr. Wiedmeyer stated that he has had discussions with Mr. Church concerning ClasTran’s consideration of alternative fuels for their vehicles.

Mr. Osborne, Chairman TCC, stated they approved moving this forward. Ms. Christie Hester-Pannell, Vice-Chairman TTC, stated they approved moving this forward. Commissioner Armstrong moved and Mayor Henderson seconded to adopt the TIP amendments as presented. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Following Committee discussion, the Committee recommended to ClasTran to pursue alternative funding sources in order to reduce their STPBH annual allotment which equates to about 20% of the STPBH funding. It was highlighted that the current level of ClasTran funding may be not be available in the future.

Secretary Cole asked Ms. Pannell-Hester and MPO staff to identify alternative funding for the MPO to make recommendations to ClasTran.

OTHER

Secretary Cole reviewed the upcoming meetings. Mr. Stoops, Sain & Associates, gave an update on the progress of the ADA coordination with government entities within the MPA. Ms. Puckett announced that the RPCGB will begin work to update the Birmingham Regional Active Transportation Plan (ATP). She distributed a survey to attendees as part of the data collection to better understand what trail and bicycle facilities already exist and are proposed in their municipality.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

APPROVED:

Mr. Randy Cole
MPO Policy Committee Secretary

Date