



June 23, 2011

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

**FROM:** Mayor Thomas Henderson, Subcommittee Chairman/s/

**SUBJECT: MPO Subcommittee Minutes  
June 23, 2011**

A meeting of the Metropolitan Planning Organization Subcommittee was held on Thursday, June 23, 2011, 1:30 p.m., RPCGB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room, 1731 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North, Birmingham, Alabama.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Honorable Thomas Henderson, Jefferson County Municipalities  
Honorable Doug Brewer, Jefferson County Municipalities  
Mr. Wayne Sullivan, Unincorporated Jefferson County  
Mr. Randy Cole, Shelby County

**MEMBERS REPRESENTED BY PROXY**

Mr. Ray Hamilton, Shelby County  
Represented by Mr. David Hunke

Mr. Brian Davis, ALDOT  
Represented by Mr. Lance Taylor

Honorable William Bell, City of Birmingham  
Represented by Mr. Kevin Owens

Mr. Jesse Jowers, Shelby County – Pelham  
Represented by Mr. Josh Osborne

Mr. Andre Bittas, City of Birmingham  
Represented by Mr. Randy Kemp

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Honorable Sandra Little Brown, Unincorporated Jefferson County  
Mr. Walter Jackson, Unincorporated Jefferson County  
Honorable Delor Bauman, Jefferson County Municipalities  
Mr. Peter Sellers, Birmingham-Jefferson County Transit Authority  
Honorable Kim Rafferty, City of Birmingham  
Mr. Mark Bartlett, Federal Highway Administration (Non-Voting Member)  
Honorable Stan Batemon, ex-officio, St. Clair County Commission  
Honorable Bruce Hamrick, ex-officio, Walker County Commission  
Honorable Tim Mims, ex-officio, Chilton County Commission  
Honorable David Standridge, ex-officio, Blount County Commission

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Mr. Charles Ball, Regional Planning Commission  
Mr. Steve Ostaseski, Regional Planning Commission  
Ms. Cynthia Barton, Regional Planning Commission  
Ms. Cissy Edwards Crowe, Regional Planning Commission  
Ms. Laurel Land, Regional Planning Commission  
Mr. John Tally, CLASTRAN  
Mr. Tim Westhoven, City of Hoover  
Mr. George Munchus, UAB  
Mr. William Parker, Birmingham

MPO Subcommittee Chairman Mayor Thomas Henderson called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m. The meeting proceeded with the scheduled agenda items.

**INTRODUCTORY ITEMS**

Ms. Cynthia Barton called roll. A quorum was declared. Mayor Doug Brewer made a motion to approve the April 28, 2011 MPO Subcommittee minutes. Mr. Wayne Sullivan seconded the motion that passed on a voice vote.

**TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

Mr. Steve Ostaseski presented a request from ALDOT to modify the FY2008-2011 TIP to include the following:

### **ALDOT Requests**

<u>STPBH-CN11Q</u>	100056642	Service Patrol Operations for FY2011	7/13/2011	CN	7/14/2011	2011	\$500,000	Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham Attributable	1
<u>STPBH-PE11Q</u>	100056486	Galleria Boulevard Extension from CR-458 (Lorna Rd.) to SR-150	7/13/2011	PE	7/14/2011	2011	\$125,000	Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham Attributable	1
<u>BR-7118(601)</u>	100056389	BIN 005840 – bridge and approaches on CR-11 at Peavine Creek	7/13/2011	CN	8/26/2011	2011	\$2,071,645	Exempt	Bridge Projects	6
<u>RPT-5311Q</u>	100056364	Section 5311 Transit Jefferson/Shelby Counties – Operating Assistance FY2012	7/13/2011	TR	9/30/2011	2011	\$287,906	Exempt	Transit Projects	9
<u>RPT-5311Q</u>	100056365	Section 5311 Transit Jefferson/Shelby Counties – Administration Assistance FY2012	7/13/2011	TR	9/30/2011	2011	\$25,923	Exempt	Transit Projects	9

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

### **BJCTA Requests**

<u>CMAQ-5310Q</u>	100056523	Flexible Funds Transfer to FTA for Paratransit Consortium FY2012	7/13/2011	TR	10/1/2011	2011	\$3,850,000	Exempt	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Projects	13
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**This project is exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.**

### **RPCGB Requests**

<u>STPBH-TR12Q</u>	100056481	Birmingham Ride Share Programs for FY2012	7/13/2011	PE	10/1/2011	2011	\$1,200,000	Exempt	Surface Transportation Program – Birmingham Attributable	1
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**This project is exempt from regional emission analysis under 40 CFR 93.126. Table 2.**

Mr. Lance Taylor reviewed the ASAP 2010 Annual report. The program assisted in changing over 3800 tires, assisting with traffic control measures, marked abandoned vehicles, and provided fuel to stranded vehicles as part of the service. Mr. Lance Taylor noted that “No Assistance” refers to the number of stops where no assistance was required, someone else had already assisted, or the vehicle was already gone before the ASAP representative could arrive on scene.

Mr. Steve Ostaseski noted that the TCC suggested seeking additional funding in the future to expand service to weekends. Mr. Randy Cole suggested the ASAP program be expanded to US 280 and US 31. Mr. Lance Taylor noted that current funding limits the services to what is currently in place. With additional funding, the ASAP program could be expanded to weekends and additional routes, but would also require additional equipment and staffing. RPCGB staff will work with ALDOT to seek additional funding for the recommended expansions.

Mr. John Tally stated the amount listed for the BJCTA request was incorrect and should be \$3,085,000. Ms. Laurel Land stated the amount should be \$3,080,000.

Ms. Cissy Crowe noted that the TCC recommended approval of the TIP modification.

Mr. David Hunke deferred the TTC report to Ms. Cynthia Barton, who noted that the TTC recommended approval of the TIP modification along with the TCC suggestion of expanding the ASAP program to weekend service.

Mr. Randy Cole made a motion to recommend approval of the TIP modification. Mayor Doug Brewer seconded the motion that passed on a voice vote.

### **PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

Ms. Cissy Crowe requested the MPO Subcommittee call a Public Involvement Meeting for Wednesday, July 20, 2011, from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., presentation at 12:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., presentation at 5:00 p.m. All meeting documents and a video presentation of information presented at the PI meeting will be available online at [www.rpcgb.org/tip](http://www.rpcgb.org/tip) . The purpose of the PI meeting is to obtain public comments on the FY 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Air Quality Conformity Determination and Amended 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

Mr. Wayne Sullivan made a motion to call for the Public Involvement Meeting July 20, 2011. Mayor Doug Brewer seconded the motion that passed on a voice vote.

### **MPO MEETING AGENDA (JULY 13, 2011)**

Mayor Doug Brewer made a motion to add a presentation by Birmingham City Councilor Kim Rafferty in regards to transit to the July MPO agenda. Mr. Wayne Sullivan seconded the motion. A discussion ensued in regards to the specific topics to be discussed by Councilor Rafferty. A recommendation was made to bring the presentation before the MPO Subcommittee before being added to an MPO meeting agenda. The motion to add the presentation to the July MPO meeting died without a vote. Councilor Rafferty will be asked to give her presentation to the MPO Subcommittee at a future meeting.

Mayor Doug Brewer made a motion to include Agenda Item #2 (TIP), and a presentation from the Health Action Partnership on the July 13, 2011 MPO meeting agenda. Mr. Wayne Sullivan seconded the motion that passed on a voice vote.

### **OTHER**

Mr. Steve Ostaseski announced the Brown Bag Lunch series to be hosted by the RPCGB. The first meeting of the series will be on Brownfields July 27, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. Additional series topics will be announced at future meetings. Mr. Ostaseski then invited meeting attendees to the

July 28, 2011 Scenario Planning Workshop to be held July 28, 2011. Participants must register in advance due to limited seating.

MPO Subcommittee Chairman Mayor Thomas Henderson reviewed the meetings listed on the agenda, including:

- MPO Meeting July 13, 2011, 1:30 p.m., RPCGB.
- Brown Bag Lunch Series – Brownfields, July 27, 2011, 11:30 a.m., RPCGB.
- Scenario Planning Workshop, July 28, 2011, RPCGB.

With no other business, the Subcommittee meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

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Honorable Thomas Henderson  
MPO Subcommittee Chairman

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