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MEMORANDUM

TO: Transportation Citizens Committee (TCC)

FROM: Ms. Jackie Dye, Chairman /s/

**SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes
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A meeting of the Transportation Citizens Committee was held on Wednesday, July 16, 2014, 12:00 Noon, RPCGB, 3rd Floor Conference Room, 2 Twentieth Street North, Birmingham, AL 35203.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Jackie Dye, Chairman, Shelby County
Mr. Willie Osborne, Vice Chairman, City of Birmingham
Ms. Joanne Adcock, East / Northeast Jefferson County
Ms. Peggy Cochran, South / Southeast Jefferson County
Ms. Elizabeth Denson, City of Birmingham
Mr. Butch Ferrell, City of Birmingham
Mr. Harry Giddens, City of Birmingham
Ms. Judy Gordon, South / Southeast Jefferson County
Mr. Bruce Ludwig, South / Southeast Jefferson County
Ms. Barbara McKenna, East / Northeast Jefferson County
Mr. Pittman Owen, City of Birmingham
Dr. Johnny Peebles, III, South / Southeast Jefferson County
Mr. Thurman Robertson, City of Birmingham
Mr. Calvin Rumph, Shelby County
Ms. Sarah Stokes, South/Southeast Jefferson County
Mr. Phillip Wiedmeyer, South / Southeast Jefferson County

EXCUSED ABSENCES

Ms. Anna Brown, City of Birmingham
Mr. Joel Gilbert, City of Birmingham
Mr. Robert Richardson, Shelby County

UNEXCUSED ABSENCES

Ms. Ouida Fritschi, South / Southeast Jefferson County
Mr. Richard Goldstein, South/Southeast Jefferson County
Dr. John Springer, City of Birmingham

OTHERS PRESENT

- Mr. Fenn Church, ClasTran
- Mr. Marcus Dillavov
- Mr. Thomas Bunch
- Ms. Samantha St. John, ClasTran
- Ms. Alethia Bell, Clastran
- Mr. Richard Abel, Clastran
- Ms. Sandra Bonner, ALDOT
- Mr. David Russell
- Mr. Scott Tillman, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
- Mr. Mike Kaczorowski, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
- Mr. Darrell Howard, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
- Mr. Brian Atkinson, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
- Ms. Ricki Hall, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
- Ms. Cissy Edwards Crowe, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham

Chairman Jackie Dye called the meeting to order at 12:02p.m.

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

Attendees introduced themselves. Ms. Gordon was given the opportunity to express her opinion for not having time to review documents for meetings. Dr. Peebles moved and Mr. Rumph seconded to approve the June, 18, 2014 minutes as presented. Motion passed on a voice vote.

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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

ALDOT Request to Add the following project to TIP

<u>HPP-1602()</u>	10006 2370	WETLAND AND STREAM MITIGATION BANK FOR THE BIRMINGHAM NORTHERN BELTLINE	8/13/2014	CN	8/14/2014	2014	\$1,000,000	Non-Exempt	High Priority Congressional Earmark
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Ms. Bonner reported that she could research the above TIP amendment to determine where the specific site is located.

Ms. McKenna moved and Dr. Peebles seconded to recommend adoption of these TIP Amendments. Motion passed on a voice vote. Ms. Stokes abstained.

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM (TAP)

Mr. Kaczorowski presented the members of the Scoring Committee. Three people recused themselves from the Committee due to submission of a project from their municipality. City of Hoover and City of Alabaster applications were not selected. They have been advised and comments have been reviewed with them.

Below are the applications being recommended

2014 TAP Scoring Committee Recommendations

Applications Recommended for Funding by Scoring Committee

Sponsor	Description	Federal Funding Awarded
Birmingham	Tiger IV Connector Trail - Downtown - Avondale - Woodlawn - East Lake	\$400,000
Leeds	High School - Memorial Park - President Street sidewalks	\$400,000
Montevallo	Middle Street sidewalks & streetscape	\$400,000
Springville	Main Street sidewalks & streetscape	\$400,000

Applications Recommended for Re-submittal next year

Sponsor	Description
Alabaster	11th Street - 7th Street - City Hall - Thompson Intermediate School - sidewalks & streetscape
Hoover	Cahaba Riverchase Greenway Trailhead

Mr. Wiedmeyer moved and Mr. Ludwig seconded to recommend the TAP applications be approved. Motion passed on a voice vote.

COMMUTESMART REPORT

Mr. Brian Atkinson, Business Outreach Manager with CommuteSmart a program of the RPCGB, presented a FY2013 report covering the following topics:

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

CLASTRAN

Mr. Fenn Church, Executive Director of ClasTran, gave a presentation covering their territory, routes and funding. He thanked everyone for their continued support of ClasTran.

OTHER

Mr. Tillman stated that for the transit authority to receive FTA 5307 funds they need the MPO to approve sending a letter to the Governor Bentley to have him certify that they are the designated

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recipient for the FTA funds. If this committee will approve this action it will be recommended to the MPO Policy for approval.

Dr. Peebles moved and Mr. Rumph seconded to approve sending this request to the MPO. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Vice-Chairman Osborne reported that he presented a detailed report to the MPO Advisory and MPO Policy Committee on behalf of the MPO Citizens Committee expressing their views that were expressed at the June 18, 2014 committee meeting.

Chairman Dye reported briefly the following information that was in al.com:

The Alabama Department of Transportation is bracing to keep current projects going on for as long as possible should lawmakers in Washington, D.C., not reach an agreement on the National Highway Trust Fund. That would mean several months before problems begin to show. It also means ALDOT wouldn't begin any new road construction projects for up to a year because of the funding disruption, a state official said. The U.S. House of Representatives and Senate have begun moving forward on separate proposals to shore up the fund, which the U.S. Department of Transportation says will run out of money in August. Without the federal money, which reimburses the majority of the costs on state-sponsored projects, the state's bond-funded road and bridge program would account for the only new road work statewide.

A copy of the article was available to the Committee.

The list of upcoming meetings was reviewed. The tentative Public Involvement meeting will not be in August.

With no other business, the committee adjourned at 1:17 p.m.

APPROVED

Ms. Jackie Dye, Chairman

Date