



March 26, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: Transportation Technical Committee

FROM: Mr. Greg Dawkins, Chairman /s/

**SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes
March 26, 2014**

A meeting of the Transportation Technical Committee (TTC) was held on Wednesday, March 26, 2014, 10:00 a.m., RPCGB 3rd Floor Conference Room, 2 Twentieth Street North, Birmingham, AL 35203.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Greg Dawkins, Chairman, City of Birmingham Traffic Engineer
Mr. Rod Long, Vice-Chairman, City of Hoover Representative
Mr. Richard Abel, CLASTRAN
Mr. Ken Boozer, Jefferson County Dept. of Roads and Transportation Representative
Mr. Chris Brady, City of Vestavia Hills Representative
Ms. Sheila Chaffin, UAB Exec. Dir. Campus Planning and Facilities Programming
Mr. Fenn Church, Trucking Representative
Mr. Matthew Cobb, City of Homewood Engineer
Mr. Scott Cothron, Sain Associates
Mr. Dan Dahlke, St. Clair County
Mr. Richard Darden, At-Large
Mr. Andre' Davis, UAB Parking and Trans Services Representative
Mr. Al Folcher, At-Large
Mr. Doug Hale, Bicycle / Pedestrian Representative
Mr. George Henry, City of Alabaster
Mr. David Hunke, At-Large
Dr. Henry Ikwut Ukwa, BJCTA Representative
Mr. Tom Magee, City of Birmingham Chief Planner
Mr. Wallace McCord, At-Large
Mr. Chris Reeves, At-Large

Mr. Keith Strickland, At-Large
Mr. Brett Tucker, At-Large
Mr. Eric Womack, Shelby County Development Services Representative

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPRESENTED BY PROXY

Mr. Richard Caudle, At-Large
 Represented by Mr. Chris Reeves
Mr. Fred Hawkins, At-Large
 Represented by Mike Eddington
Mr. Jason Howanitz, Jeff. County Dept. of Health Chief Meteorologist - Air Division
 Represented by Mr. Matt Lacke
Mr. Charles Malone, ALDOT Maintenance Representative-Birmingham
 Represented by Mr. Jesse Miller
Mr. Lance Taylor, ALDOT Preconstruction Engineer – Birmingham
 Represented by Ms. Danette Ratcliff

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Ms. Alfredo Acoff, ALDOT Environmental Coordinator – Montgomery
Mr. Clint Andrews, FHWA (Non-Voting Member)
Ms. Nan Baldwin, Birmingham Business Alliance (Non-Voting Member)
Mr. Ron Gore, ADEM (Non-Voting Member)
Mr. Chris Hatcher, REV Birmingham Representative
Mr. Scott Holladay, Shelby County Highway Department Representative
Ms. Denise Hornbuckle, Traffic Safety Representative
Elizabeth Lawlor, Railroad Representative
Dr. Emmanuel Oranika, ALDOT Metropolitan Planning Engineer – Montgomery
Mr. Blair Perry, At-Large
Mr. Robert Portera, At-Large
Ms. Abigail Rivera, FTA (Non-Voting Member)
Ms. Alicia Rudolph, At-Large
Mr. Winston Sitton, Blount County
Mr. Andrew Sullivan, At-Large

OTHERS PRESENT

Ms. Christie Pannell-Hester, Shelby County
Mike Smith, Al.com
Samantha St. John, Clastran
Mr. Terry Sutton, ALDOT
Mr. Mike Kaczorowski, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
Ms. Laurel Land, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
Ms. Cissy Edwards Crowe, Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham

Chairman Greg Dawkins called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. The meeting proceeded with the scheduled agenda items.

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

Attendees introduced themselves. Mr. George Henry made a motion to approve the January 22, 2014 minutes. Mr. Greg Cobb seconded the motion that passed on a voice vote.

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

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

ALDOT Request to Add the following projects to TIP

<u>NHF-00380</u>	100062019	SR-38 (US-280) MISCELLANEOUS IMPROVEMENTS FROM HOLLYWOOD BLVD TO CR-1514 (DOUG BAKER BLVD) INCLUDING MEDIAN PROTECTION FROM CHEROKEE RD TO OVERTON RD	4/9/2014	CN	8/29/2014	2014	\$2,000,000	Exempt	NHS / Interstate Maintenance / NHS Bridge
<u>CMAQ-NR140</u>	100061848	ALABAMA SERVICE & ASSISTANCE PATROL TO PURCHASE AND EQUIP VEHICLES FOR JEFFERSON AND SHELBY COUNTIES, FY 2015-2016	4/9/2014	CN	1/15/2014	2015	\$500,000	Exempt	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality
<u>ACOA61387ATRP(004)</u>	100061387	RESURFACE CR-244 (MOUNTAIN VIEW ROAD) FROM SR-7 (US-11) TO CR-12	4/9/2014	CN	6/27/2014	2014	\$1,193,132	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA61006ATRP(008)</u>	100061006	RESURFACE CR-123 (TARRANT ROAD) FROM SR-3 (US-31) TO CR-121 (NEW CASTLE ROAD)	4/9/2014	CN	11/7/2014	2015	\$526,355	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA61001ATRP(009)</u>	100061001	RESURFACE 1ST AVENUE NORTH FROM CENTER STREET TO 4TH PLACE	4/9/2014	CN	12/5/2014	2015	\$158,818	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA60990ATRP(009)</u>	100060990	RESURFACE LAKESHORE PARKWAY FROM INDUSTRIAL DRIVE TO VENICE ROAD	4/9/2014	CN	12/5/2014	2015	\$2,106,606	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA61392ATRP(006)</u>	100061392	RESURFACING CR-30 (OLD SPRINGVILLE ROAD) FROM THE ST. CLAIR/JEFFERSON COUNTY LINE TO SR-7 (US-411)	4/9/2014	CN	9/29/2014	2015	\$367,417	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA61394ATRP(011)</u>	100061394	RESURFACING CR-167 KERR ROAD FROM KELLY CREEK ROAD TO SR-25 (US-411)	4/9/2014	CN	2/27/2015	2015	\$454,519	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA59507ATRP(001)</u>	100059507	RESURFACE AND PERMANENT STRIPE CR-10 FROM THE BIBB COUNTY LINE TO CR-22 IN PEA RIDGE	4/9/2014	CN	4/25/2014	2014	\$1,074,214	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA59500ATRP(002)</u>	100059500	BRIDGE REPLACEMENT ON CR-55 OVER MUDDY PRONG CREEK BIN# 13783	4/9/2014	CN	6/27/2014	2014	\$568,198	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA61007ATRP(010)</u>	100061007	RESURFACE CR-121 (NEW CASTLE ROAD) FROM CR-123 (PINE HILL ROAD) TO PARADISE VALLEY ROAD	4/9/2014	CN	1/30/2015	2015	\$906,660	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA61018ATRP(008)</u>	100061018	ADD TURN LANES AND TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT INTERSECTION OF SR-25 AND 10TH STREET	4/19/2014	CN	11/7/2014	2015	\$846,708	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA61003ATRP(015)</u>	100061003	RESURFACE CR-30 FROM SOUTHERN CITY LIMITS OF CLAY TO JEFFERSON COUNTY LINE	4/9/2014	CN	11/6/2015	2016	\$920,000	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA61019ATRP(012)</u>	100061019	RESURFACE OLD HIGHWAY 25 FROM SR-25 TO CR-47	4/9/2014	CN	5/29/2015	2015	\$272,000	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA61022ATRP(011)</u>	100061022	RESURFACE CR-17 FROM CR-58 TO CR-52	4/9/2014	CN	2/27/2015	2015	\$438,500	Exempt	ATRIPS

<u>ACAA610 23ATRP(0 12)</u>	100061023	RESURFACE CR-99 FROM CR-47 TO SR-145	4/9/2014	CN	5/29/2015	2015	\$340,700	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA610 25ATRP(0 12)</u>	100061025	RESURFACE CR-28 FROM COLUMBIANA CITY LIMITS TO SR-145	4/9/2014	CN	5/29/2015	2015	\$680,520	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA610 26ATRP(0 12)</u>	100061026	RESURFACE CR-30 FROM COLUMBIANA TO CR-9	4/9/2014	CN	5/29/2015	2015	\$766,100	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA609 89ATRP(0 09)</u>	100060989	RESURFACE FIVE MILE ROAD FROM ORCHID ROAD TO BIRMINGHAM CITY LIMITS	4/9/2014	CN	12/5/2014	2015	\$137,830	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA609 87ATRP(0 10)</u>	100060987	RESURFACE 4TH AVENUE SOUTH WEST FROM MCADORY SCHOOL ROAD TO 18TH STREET NORTH DARTMOUTH AVENUE/MCASHAN DRIVE	4/9/2014	CN	1/30/2015	2015	\$2,270,869	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA610 09ATRP(0 09)</u>	100061009	RESURFACE VALLEY AVENUE FROM PALISADES BOULEVARD TO JUST EAST OF 18TH STREET AND 18TH STREET FROM VALLEY AVENUE TO OXMOOR ROAD	4/9/2014	CN	12/5/2014	2015	\$1,856,756	Exempt	ATRIPS
<u>ACAA610 10ATRP(0 12)</u>	100061010	RESURFACE STADIUM TRACE PARKWAY AND BROCKS GAP PARKWAY INCLUDING TURN LANE IMPROVEMENTS AT INTERSECTION OF LEARNING LANE FROM CR-2 TO SR-150	4/9/2014	CN	12/5/2014	2015	\$1,802,614	Exempt	ATRIPS

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

Mr. David Hunke moved and Mr. Abel seconded to recommend these projects to the MPO Policy Committee. Motion passed on a voice vote.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT DOCUMENTATION REPORT

Ms. Cissy Crowe, RPCGB, presented the Documentation Report for the Public Involvement meeting held December 18, 2014 for the Public Participation Plan. She reported that all procedures outlined in the current Participation Plan were followed. The following highlights were presented:

- 26 people were in attendance ranging from elected officials to local government employees to citizens
- Participation techniques were previewed and demonstrated with those in attendance at the meeting
- The surveys returned at the meetings indicated that the liked the meeting very much and found it very informative.
- There were two distinct questions/comments returned. The first was from BJCTA requesting their Program of Projects public involvement be included in the MPO Plan. It was agreed that this request would be honored and a paragraph would be included in the Plan in regard to the Transportation Improvement Program. The other comment was complimenting the staff on their efforts for outreach.

Dr. Henry Ikwut Ukwu moved and Mr. Wallace McCord seconded to recommend approval of the meeting documentation to the MPO Policy Committee. Motion passed on a voice vote.

5310 DESIGNATED RECIPIENT

Ms. Laurel Land presented the following resolution for consideration:

WHEREAS, the new federal transportation bill, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) made modifications to the funding of the FTA Section 5310 program intended to enhance mobility for seniors and persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, under MAP-21 the MPO must either assume the role of Designated Recipient for Section 5310 funds or direct the process for authorizing distribution of the funds to another entity; and

WHEREAS, the Designated Recipient will be responsible for project selection and award of funds; and

WHEREAS, the Designated Recipient will also be responsible for ensuring that projects are compliant with FTA requirements, including submission of the Program of Projects, project oversight, distribution of funds, and program management through TEAM; and

WHEREAS, the designation must demonstrate joint concurrence by the Governor, publicly owned operators of mass transportation services, and responsible local officials acting through the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO);

WHEREAS, the BJCTA is currently the Designated Recipient for the Section 5310 funds; and

WHEREAS, the BJCTA has indicated its willingness to continue in the role of Designated Recipient;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Birmingham Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby recommends that the Birmingham Jefferson County Transit Authority be named the Designated Recipient of the Section 5310 fund for the Birmingham urbanized area.

The same process, sending out a request for projects (RFP) opened to anyone in the urbanized area, that was used for JARC and New Freedom will be used for these funds. A review committee meets and reviews all RFPs according to specific criteria. These funds are more flexible than JARC and New Freedom.

Mr. Folcher moved and Mr. Hale seconded to recommend adoption of this resolution by the MPO Policy Committee. Motion passed on a voice vote.

HIGHWAY FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION MAP

Mr. Kaczorowski presented the Highway Functional Classification Map. The classification of roadways on this map determines which roads are eligible for federal funding and is updated every 2 years. It is based on the 2010 U.S. Census information and included the urban

boundary and the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) boundary. The MPA was expanded last year to include portions of St. Clair and Blount counties based on census data.

Mr. Kaczorowski explained that this Committee determined that the map presented in January was inaccurate. Those inaccuracies have been corrected and all parties consulted on the new map.

Mr. Henry moved and Mr. Folcher seconded a motion to approve the map as presented and recommend the MPO Policy approval. Motion passed on a voice vote.

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (SRTS)

Mr. Nick Sims, Safe Routes to School Central Alabama, presented an overview of the program.

Topics covered include:

- What is Safe Routes to School?
- Why is SRTS Important?
- Supporting SRTS in the Community
- Safe Routes to School Federal Funding
- Walkability Assessments
- Non-Infrastructure Progress

OTHER

Chairman Dawkins reviewed the list of meetings.

Mr. Kaczorowski reminded the committee that the Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) applications are due at ALDOT May 2nd and to RPCGB May 9th. The Scoring Committee will remain the same as appointed for the previous round of TAP applications.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

APPROVED:

Mr. Greg Dawkins, Chairman
Transportation Technical Committee

Date