

**TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
OF THE
HUNTSVILLE AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

MINUTES

Regular Meeting - November 28, 2018 - 3:35 p.m.

**City Council Chambers, Municipal Building
Huntsville, Alabama**

Committee Members Present:

Mr. Dennis Madsen	City of Huntsville, Manager of Urban and Long-Range Planning
Mr. James Moore	City of Huntsville Planning Division
Mr. Shane Davis	City of Huntsville, Director of Urban and Economic Development
Mr. Tommy Brown	City of Huntsville, Director of Parking and Public Transit
Ms. Michelle Jordan	City of Huntsville, Director of Community Development
Ms. Kathy Martin	City of Huntsville, Director of Engineering
Mr. Nicholas Nene	City of Huntsville Traffic Engineering
Ms. Brandi Quick	City of Huntsville, Director of Huntsville-Madison County Marina and Port Authority
Mr. Rick Tucker	City of Huntsville, Huntsville International Airport
Mr. Chuck Faulkner	Madison County Engineering
Ms. Jennifer Barger	Madison County
Mr. Les Hopson	Alabama Department of Transportation
Mr. Allen Teague	Alabama Department of Transportation

MPO Staff Members Present:

Ms. Shontrill Lowe
Mr. James Vandiver
Mr. Steve Dinges

The meeting was called to order by Mr. James Moore at the time and place noted above.

Mr. Moore stated that the first item on the agenda was Approval of

Minutes.

Mr. Madsen moved for approval of the minutes of the meeting on August 29, 2018.

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Faulkner.

Mr. Moore called for the vote on the above motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was Discussion of the City of Huntsville Greenbrier FRA and EDA Grant Projects.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Shontrill Lowe of the MPO Staff.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that these two projects had been brought before Chairman Strong. She stated that these were letters of support, as displayed on the screen, for the FRA Grant and the EDA Grant the City was applying for in order to obtain funding for at-grade separation and bridge infrastructure over by the Toyota-Mazda site, and Chairman Strong had signed off on these letters.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was Discussion of the Alabama A&M University FTA Grant Projects.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that Alabama A&M University had applied for and been awarded an FTA Bus and Bus Facilities Grant, which she noted was similar to a low- to no-emissions grant. She stated that this grant was a total of approximately \$3.7 million. She stated that the CAC had questioned where the local portion of the match was coming from and stated that that portion was

coming from the A&M Operational Budget. She stated that this was approximately \$750,000. She stated that this was basically to purchase electric buses, construct a storage facility, and upgrade technology, et cetera.

Mr. Moore asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Moore recognized Huntsville City Council member Frances Akridge.

Ms. Akridge asked where these buses would go.

Ms. Lowe stated that these were A&M buses, the Bulldog Transit System.

Ms. Akridge asked if they were just on campus.

Ms. Lowe replied in the affirmative.

Mr. Moore asked if there was any further discussion of the above item.

There was no response.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was an Amendment to the FY 2016 - 2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that Resolution No. 11-18 would add an ALDOT FY19 TAP Sidewalk Project for the Town of New Hope.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that the Town of New Hope had applied for and was awarded Federal Transportation Alternative Project funds from ALDOT. She stated that the town was matching that with approximately \$160,000, She continued that the total cost was approximately \$640,000, and that this was basically to install sidewalks along Hayden Street, along Main Drive, basically up to the school. She stated that they would have sidewalks all the way around their Square.

Mr. Madsen moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 11-18, amending the Transportation Alternatives Section in the Adopted FY 2016-

2019 TIP by adding the Town of New Hope FY 2019 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TAP) grant project for sidewalk funding.

Said motion was duly seconded by Ms. Jordan.

Mr. Moore asked if there was any discussion of the above motion.

Mr. Moore called for the vote on the above motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was an Amendment to the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that Resolution No. 12-18 would adopt and support the Statewide Bridge and Pavement Performance Measurement (PM₂) Targets, as approved by ALDOT, into the Adopted 2016-2019 TIP.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that this Performance Measure was basically handed down from the Federal Highway and ALDOT. She stated that the State had made up its targets to improve on bridge and pavement performance targets. She continued that they had given them the option to make their own targets or adopt theirs. She stated that they were essentially adopting theirs for the time being, that they might or might not want to revisit this later on, but at this time they were adopting theirs, if there was no discussion on this.

Mr. Madsen moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 12-18, amending the Adopted 2016-2019 TIP by adding Bridge and Pavement Performance Measurement (PM₂) Targets, as approved by ALDOT.

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Faulkner.

Mr. Moore asked if there was any discussion of the above motion.

Mr. Moore called for the vote on the above motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was an amendment to the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that Resolution No. 13-18 would adopt and support the Statewide Travel Time Reliability Performance Measurement (PM3) Targets, as approved by ALDOT, into the Adopted 2016-2019 TIP.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that this was essentially the same, that this was just looking at the Travel Time Reliability Performance Targets, which she noted was basically how freight trucks were traveling on the Interstate highways, if that time was reliable from one interchange to another, and what have you.

Mr. Madsen moved for approval of Resolution No. 13-18, amending the Adopted 2016-2019 TIP by adding the Statewide Travel Time Reliability Performance Measurement (PM3) Targets, as approved by ALDOT.

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Faulkner.

Mr. Moore asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Moore called for the vote on the above motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Members present.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was an amendment to the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that Resolution No. 14-18 would delete a Bridge Replacement Project on Thach Road over an Unnamed Creek (BIN #4132) from the Adopted 2016-2019 TIP.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that this was a Bridge Replacement Project that was being deleted. She stated that, essentially, ALDOT was looking at its books and going through and making changes to different bridge replacement projects that had or had not used up their funding. She stated that this one had not used up its funding, but they had done everything they needed to do as far as replacement and making sure the bridge was structurally sound.

Mr. Madsen moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 14-18, amending the National Highway System/Interstate Maintenance/Bridge Projects Section of the Adopted FY 2016-2019 TIP by deleting a Bridge Replacement Project on Thach Road over an Unnamed Creek (BIN #4132).

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Faulkner.

Mr. Moore asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Moore called for the vote on the above motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was an Amendment to the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that Resolution No. 15-18 would delete a Bridge Replacement Project on Liberty Way over Limestone Creek (BIN #9162) from the Adopted 2016-2019 TIP.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that this was the same type of project, where they were looking at deleting it from the books because they had done the improvements

on it.

Mr. Madsen moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 15-18, amending the National Highway System/Interstate Maintenance/Bridge Projects Section of the Adopted FY 2016-2019 TIP by deleting a Bridge Replacement Project on Liberty Way over Limestone Creek (BIN #9162).

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Brown.

Mr. Moore asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Moore called for the vote on the above motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was an amendment to the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that Resolution No. 16-18 would change the National Highway System/Interstate Maintenance/Bridge Projects section of the 2016-2019 TIP to replace Bridge and Approaches project on Dan Tibbs Road over Dry Creek - MCP 45-119-08.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that this was another bridge replacement project that was being looked at. She stated that with this one the only difference was the target date, that they had moved the dates around on it. She stated that she believed this one was basically being moved up in 2019. She stated that displayed on the screen were all the costs that went along with the construction phase of this particular project.

Mr. Madsen moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 16-18, amending the National Highway System/Interstate Maintenance/Bridge Projects Section of the Adopted FY 2016-2019 TIP, for Replacement of Bridge

and Approaches (BIN #009693) on Dan Tibbs Road over Dry Creek - MCP 45-119-08.

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Faulkner

Mr. Moore asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Moore called for the vote on the above motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was an amendment to the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that Resolution No. 17-18 proposed to replace Bridge and Approaches (BIN 002544) on Old Highway 20 (CR-12) over a slough of Limestone Creek FHWA DISASTER AL 2016-01 (DDIR REPORT LIMESTONE-2) in the Adopted 2016-2019 TIP.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that this project was a bridge replacement project as well, but on this one they were changing the funding. She stated that there was a total cost of approximately \$1.3 million, and the cost distribution was as shown on the display on the screen. She stated that this was on Old Highway 20, and there was a map displayed to locate it.

Mr. Madsen recommended approval of Resolution No. 17-18, amending the National Highway System/Interstate Maintenance/Bridge Projects Section of the Adopted FY 2016-2019 TIP, for Replacement of Bridge and Approaches (BIN #002544) on Old Highway 20 (CR-12) over a Slough of Limestone Creek (FHWA DISASTER AL 2016-01) (DDIR REPORT LIMESTONE-2).

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Faulkner.

Mr. Moore asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Moore called for the vote on the above motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was an amendment to the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that Resolution No. 18-18 would add additional lanes on SR-255 from Old Madison Pike Overpass to SR-2 (US 72) in the Adopted 2016-2019 TIP.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that this amendment was basically to add lanes. She stated that as shown on the display, the total cost of the project was approximately \$3.9 million. She stated that she believed there would be one lane in each direction on this particular project. She stated that the displayed map pertained to this project.

Mr. Madsen moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 18-18, amending the Adopted FY 2016-2019 TIP by adding additional roadway lanes on SR-255 from Old Madison Pike Overpass to SR-2 (US-72).

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Faulkner.

Mr. Moore asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Moore called for the vote on the above motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was an Amendment to the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that Resolution No. 19-18 proposed to add a resurfacing project on I-565 from .80

mile west of Indian Springs Road to .25 mile west of the Madison County line to the Adopted 2016-2019 TIP.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that this was a resurfacing project. She stated that she believed there would be resurfacing on both sides. She stated that this had a total cost of \$100,000.

Mr. Madsen recommended approval of Resolution No. 19-18, amending the National Highway System/Interstate Maintenance Section of the Adopted FY 2016-2019 TIP by adding a resurfacing project on I-565 from .80 mile west of Indian Springs Road to .25 mile west of the Madison County line.

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Brown.

Mr. Moore asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Moore called for the vote on the above motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was an Amendment to the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that Resolution No. 20-18 would change the Transit Projects section of the 2016-2019 TIP to add Section 53.11, Transit, State Admin, University of Alabama Huntsville, Bus Support Equipment, FY 2018 Grant, AL18X027.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that this was an amendment to add funding to UAH to do a bus simulator training program. She stated that they did not have a bus system, but they would like to in the future, so this was a simulator to train on.

Mr. Madsen moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 20-18, amending the Transit Projects Section of the Adopted 2016-2019 TIP by adding the Section 5311, Transit, State Admin, University of Alabama Huntsville, Capital Bus Support Equipment, FY 2018 Grant, ALI8X027.

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Brown.

Mr. Moore asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Moore called for the vote on the above motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was Review of Administrative Modifications to MPO Documents Since the Last MPO Meeting.

Mr. Moore recognized Ms. Lowe.

Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Lowe stated that there were three modifications, and the first one was the Utility Cost of the Bridge Replacement project on Old Highway 20. She stated that she believed they had talked about this one earlier. She continued that the project had increased from approximately \$314,000 to approximately \$378,000. She stated that because this was not more than 20 percent or so, it was a modification, so they were just discussing this.

Ms. Lowe stated that the Construction Cost on the Bridge Replacement of the same, Old Highway 20, was a little bit more than the 20 percent, that it was about 100 percent or so. She stated that the only reason this was in the modification section was because it was an emergency relief project.

Ms. Lowe stated that there was also the Construction Cost of adding lanes on Winchester Road, from Naugher Road to Riverton Road. She stated that that project had increased from approximately \$9.3 million to

approximately \$9.9 million.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was Board Member Comments. He asked if there were any comments at this time.

There was no response.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was Opportunity for Public Comment.

Mr. Moore asked if there was anyone from the general public who would like to comment at this time.

There was no response.

Mr. Moore stated that if there was nothing more to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.

(Meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.)