

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

Regular Meeting - December 1, 2021 - 3 p.m.

Huntsville, Alabama

Committee Members:

Mr. Nicholas Nene	City of Huntsville, Traffic Engineering
Ms. Luana Broshears	City of Huntsville, Traffic Engineering
Mr. Thomas Nunez	City of Huntsville, Planning Services
Mr. Rodney Ellis	Alabama Department of Transportation
Mr. James Giles	Alabama Department of Transportation
Mr. Allen Teague	Alabama Department of Transportation
Mr. Lynn Wood	Alabama Department of Transportation
Mr. Chuck Faulkner	Madison County
Mr. Steve Dinges	Madison County
Ms. Erin Tidwell	TARCOG

MPO Staff Members:

Mr. Dennis Madsen
Mr. James Vandiver
Ms. Shontrill Lowe
Mr. James Moore

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

Mr. Moore stated the first item on the agenda was Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on September 22, 2021.

Mr. Nene moved for approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Technical Coordinating Committee held on September 22, 2021, which motion was duly seconded by Mr. Faulkner and was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Moore stated the next item on the agenda was an FY 2020-2023

TIP Amendment, Resolution No. 26-21, adopting and supporting the addition of TAP Project #100074119.

Mr. Moore recognized Mr. Vandiver.

(Mr. Vandiver made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Mr. Vandiver stated that Resolution No. 26-21 was for a TAP project, a Transportation Alternatives project. He stated that the Madison County Commission District 6 Commissioner Violet Edwards and her team had applied for an ALDOT grant for Phase I of an ADA Improvements and Sidewalks project along Pulaski Pike, near the Bob Harrison Senior Wellness & Advocacy Center. He stated this was located north of Winchester Road.

Mr. Vandiver stated that Phase I was \$640,000, for putting sidewalks from the entrance of the Bob Harrison Center, off of Pulaski Pike, and into the parking lot.

Mr. Faulkner moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 26-21, amending the Transportation Alternatives Section in the adopted FY 2020-2023 TIP, to add TA Program Project #100074119 (CN) Madison Co. Commission - ADA Improvements along Pulaski Pike & Bob Harrison Senior Wellness & Advocacy Center - Phase I.

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Nene.

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 the next item on the agenda was FY 2020-2023 TIP amendment, Resolution No. 27-21, adopting and supporting the addition of TAP Project #100074429.

Mr. Moore recognized Mr. Vandiver.

(Mr. Vandiver made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Mr. Vandiver stated this was Phase II of the Pulaski Pike/Bob Harrison Senior Wellness & Advocacy Center sidewalk and ADA improvements. He stated the previous resolution was for the ALDOT TAP grant, and that was awarded to Madison County Commissioner Violet Edwards and her team, and this one was the Huntsville-Area MPO TAP application, which was awarded to them, for Phase II.

Mr. Vandiver stated that the ALDOT grant was for statewide projects, but only MPO jurisdictions could apply for them.

Mr. Vandiver stated that this Phase II included more sidewalks, and signage, and also ADA improvements to a pavilion which was on the Bob Harrison property, and also to the parking lots. He stated there were two parking lots.

Mr. Faulkner moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 27-21, amending the Transportation Alternatives section in the adopted FY 2020-2023 TIP, to add TA Program Project #100074429 (CN) Madison Co. Commission - ADA Improvements along Pulaski Pike & Bob Harrison Senior Wellness & Advocacy Center - Phase II.

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Nene.

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 the next item on the agenda was FY 2020-2023 TIP amendment, Resolution No. 28-21, adopting and supporting new

Project #TBD (TR) AAMU FY 2021 FTA 5339c Low-No Emissions grant award, as approved by ALDOT.

Mr. Moore recognized Mr. Vandiver.

(Mr. Vandiver made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Mr. Vandiver stated that Alabama A&M University had applied for, and he believed had been awarded, a Low-No Emissions grant from the Federal Transit Administration, and this was just to make sure everything was in order for them to get this grant, that they were adding it to the Transportation Improvement Plan for the MPO.

Mr. Vandiver stated that Alabama A&M had provided them a rendering of what was happening in this regard. He stated they were purchasing another battery electric bus, noting they already had a couple in their fleet. He continued that they were constructing a bus service bay and installing a battery electric storage system. He stated this was on Chase Road, kind of on top of the hill there at Alabama A&M University. He stated this would continue to improve their transit system on campus.

Mr. Nene moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 28-21, amending the Transit Projects section of the adopted FY 2020-2023 TIP, to add the Low-No Emissions Bus Program Grant (FTA Section 5339c) project for Alabama A&M University.

Said motion was duly seconded by Ms. Broshears.

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 the next item on the agenda was an FY 2020-2023

TIP amendment, that Resolution No. 29-21 adopted and supported the name change of Project #100066076.

Mr. Moore recognized Mr. Vandiver.

(Mr. Vandiver made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Mr. Vandiver stated that this was a request from Madison County, noting they had requested that the limits of a corridor study on Wall-Triana Highway be changed. He stated that Madison County was currently working on US 72 to McCrary Road, and they had changed this from McCrary Road to go to 500 feet north of Nick Davis Road. He stated there was no change in cost. He stated the target date had been moved back one year, to December 2022.

Mr. Vandiver stated he was displaying a map depicting this corridor. He stated that this phase of the corridor study would be a little bit shorter than what it was previously.

Mr. Faulkner recommended approval of Resolution No. 29-21, amending the National Highway System/Interstate Maintenance Section of the FY 2020-2023 TIP with the name/limits change of project #100066076, "CORRIDOR STUDY FOR WIDENING OF WALL-TRIANA HIGHWAY FROM SR-2 (US-72) TO 500 NORTH OF NICK DAVIS ROAD."

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Nene.

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 the next item on the agenda was an FY 2020-2023 TIP amendment, that Resolution No. 30-21 adopted and supported the

fiscal year change of Project #100046745.

Mr. Moore recognized Mr. Vandiver.

(Mr. Vandiver made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Mr. Vandiver stated this was a 2-foot safety widening and resurfacing of Balch Road, in the city of Madison, and this was a date change, that the City of Madison had requested that the target date be moved from FY 2022 to FY 2023. He stated there was no change in cost or extent on this.

Mr. Vandiver displayed a map depicting the location of the project. He stated that Gooch Road was on the northern end, and he believed it was just south of Browns Ferry Road on the southern end.

Mr. Nene moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 30-21, amending the Surface Transportation Attributable Projects section of the FY 2020-2023 TIP with the fiscal year change on project #100046745," 2 FT SAFETY WIDENING AND RESURFACING OF CR-17 (BALCH ROAD) FROM .53 MILE SOUTH OF CR-21 (BROWNS FERRY ROAD) TO NORTH OF CR-27 (GOOCH LANE) IN THE CITY OF MADISON."

Said motion was duly seconded by Ms. Broshears.

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 the next item on the agenda was an FY 2020-2023 TIP amendment, that Resolution No. 31-21 adopted and supported the increase in funding for Project #100061850.

Mr. Moore recognized Mr. Vandiver.

(Mr. Vandiver made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Mr. Vandiver stated this was the Northern Bypass phase, from just east of Pulaski Pike to just east of Memorial Parkway. He stated this was the Utility Phase. He stated they were revising the cost on this, that the \$3.8 million cost for the utilities was an estimate from more than a decade prior, and getting close to construction, they had updated this to the new cost of \$7.28 million. He stated the target date was now May 1, 2022.

Mr. Faulkner moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 31-21, amending the Other Surface Transportation Program Projects section of the FY 2020-2023 TIP, with the requested increase in funding for project #100061850, “(UT) HUNTSVILLE NORTHERN BYPASS FROM 1.2 MILES EAST OF CR-86 (PULASKI PIKE) TO 1500 FT EAST OF SR-1 (US-231/431) INTERSECTION.”

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Nene.

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 the next item on the agenda was an FY 2020-2023 TIP amendment, that Resolution No. 32-21 adopted and supported the additional funding source for Project #100055286.

Mr. Moore recognized Mr. Vandiver.

(Mr. Vandiver made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Mr. Vandiver stated this was Martin Road, Phase II, from Old Jim Williams Road to Laracy Drive. He stated this was the construction phase of the project. He stated they might recall that a few months ago, the MPO Policy Board had approved and sent ALDOT a letter stating that the Coronavirus

Relief Act funds would be utilized for this project. He stated this was a resolution just to make sure this was within the TIP and the STIP. He stated this was 100 percent federally funded.

Mr. Faulkner moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 32-21, amending the Other Surface Transportation Program Projects section of the FY 2020-2023 TIP, with additional funding source for Project #100055286, "MARTIN RD PHASE II FROM OLD JIM WILLIAMS ROAD TO LARACY DRIVE CN."

Said motion was duly seconded by Ms. Broshears.

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 the next item on the agenda was an FY 2020-2023 TIP amendment, that Resolution No. 33-21 adopted and supported new project, Utility Phase of County Road 93.

Mr. Moore recognized Mr. Vandiver.

(Mr. Vandiver made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Mr. Vandiver stated that County Road 93 was better known as Winchester Road. He stated this was widening Winchester Road from Dominion Circle to Naugher Road. He stated this was the addition of a new phase of the project, the Utility Phase. He stated this was not in there previously, so they were adding it into the TIP. He stated this was a \$3 million project, with a target start date of August of 2022.

Mr. Nunez moved to recommend approval of Resolution No. 33-21, amending the Other Surface Transportation Program Projects section of the

FY 2020-2023 TIP, with the new UT Phase of “CR-93 (WINCHESTER ROAD) ADD LANES FROM CR-983 (DOMINION CIRCLE) TO CR-406 (NAUGHER RD) project.”

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Nene.

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 the next item on the agenda was Opportunity for Public Comment.

Mr. Moore asked if anyone from the public would like to address the Committee.

Mr. Moore stated that the next item on the agenda was TCC Member Comments.

Mr. Moore asked if any TCC members had any comments.

Mr. Moore stated that hearing none, the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m. on December 1, 2021.