

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

Regular Meeting - June 8, 2022 - 3:05 p.m.

Huntsville, Alabama

Committee Members:

Ms. Quisha Bryant	City of Huntsville, Public Transit
Mr. John Autry	City of Huntsville, Public Transit
Ms. Kathy Martin	City of Huntsville, Engineering
Mr. Nicholas Nene	City of Huntsville, Traffic Engineering
Ms. Brandi Quick	City of Huntsville, Ditto Landing
Mr. Joe Gehrdes	City of Huntsville, Huntsville Utilities
Mr. Michael Johnson	City of Madison, Engineering
Mr. Steve Dinges	Madison County
Ms. Kaela Hamby	Redstone Arsenal
Mr. Jay Howell	Redstone Arsenal
Ms. Erin Tidwell	TARCOG
Mr. Lynn Wood	Alabama Department of Transportation

MPO Staff Members:

Mr. James Vandiver
Ms. Shontrill Lowe
Mr. James Moore
Ms. Jo Beth Gleason

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

Mr. Vandiver stated that the first item on the agenda was Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on March 16, 2022.

Mr. Nene moved for approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Technical Coordinating Committee held on March 16, 2022, which motion was duly seconded by Ms. Tidwell and was unanimously approved by the Technical Coordinating Committee members present.

Mr. Vandiver stated that the next item was the adoption of the Draft

FY 2023 UPWP.

Mr. Vandiver recognized Ms. Lowe.

(Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Ms. Lowe stated that Resolution No. 12-22 was the Draft UPWP for the 2023 Fiscal Year. She stated that this was basically an outline of the multimodal transportation planning activities they did annually. She stated this was updated every year to give transparency to the citizens about what they were planning to do in the next fiscal year. She continued that this included tasks such as financial management, contract management, development of socioeconomic forecasts and also travel demand models. She stated they also did a lot of short-range and long-range planning, such as the LRTP, the Long-Range Transportation Plan, the Transportation Improvement Program. She stated that the development of the UPWP came out of this budget as well.

Ms. Lowe stated that speaking of budgets, the FY 2023 apportionment was \$567,988. She stated this included the FTA 5303 Planning funds, so they had to have a Transit Task within their budget.

Ms. Lowe stated they had other planning activities, such as the TIP update for FY 2024-2027. She stated that they had a couple of other tasks that were not completed during the FY 2022 UPWP, such as the Comprehensive Regional Transit/Rail Planning Task. She continued that they also had the adopting of the ADA transition plan for the MPO and each of the jurisdictions. She stated she believed these were to be updated by the end of the fiscal year 2023. She stated they also had a couple of new planning tasks, such as the developing and adopting of an Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Planning Task, and also a Corridor Study, with the first one being for Old Big Cove Road,

which she noted was basically a multi-jurisdictional corridor study.

Ms. Lowe stated that these planning activities would occur during the fiscal year, from October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023.

Ms. Bryant recommended approval of Resolution No. 12-22, adopting the DRAFT Unified Planning Work Program for Fiscal Year 2023.

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Nene.

Mr. Vandiver asked if there was any discussion.

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

Mr. Vandiver stated the next item on the agenda was an FY 2020-2023 TIP amendment, and it was Resolution No. 13-22.

Mr. Vandiver recognized Ms. Lowe.

(Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Ms. Lowe stated that Resolution No. 13-22 was the Update of the Public Transit Agency Safety Plan. She stated that these were performance measures that trickled down from ALDOT, but, in essence, the local Transit Agency had to come up with its own Performance Measures and Targets. She stated that John Autry was present and could answer any questions concerning these Performance Measures.

Mr. Nene recommended approval of Resolution No. 13-22, concurring with the recommendation of the Technical Coordinating Committee and adopting and supporting the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Performance Measurement and Targets, as approved by ALDOT.

Said motion was duly seconded by Ms. Quick.

Mr. Vandiver asked if there was any discussion.

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

Mr. Vandiver stated the next item on the agenda was an FY 2020-2023 TIP amendment, and it was Resolution No. 14-22.

Mr. Vandiver recognized Ms. Lowe.

(Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Ms. Lowe stated that Resolution No. 14-22 adopted and supported the Transit Asset Management Performance Measurement and Targets. She stated these were basically Performance Measures that the local Transit Agency had that trickled down from ALDOT and the federal government, concerning the fleet and the condition of their facilities.

Ms. Lowe stated that Mr. Autry could answer any questions on this particular Performance Measurement.

Mr. Nene recommended approval of Resolution No. 14-22, amending the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) with the inclusion of the Transit Area Management Performance Targets and Measures.

Said motion was duly seconded by Ms. Martin.

Mr. Vandiver asked if there was any discussion.

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

Mr. Vandiver stated that the next item on the agenda was Resolution No. 15-22.

Mr. Vandiver recognized Ms. Lowe.

(Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Ms. Lowe stated that Resolution No. 15-22 was a new project. She stated that they might recall that during the March 2022 MPO meetings, they had discussed a City of Madison resurfacing project along Madison Boulevard. She stated that this particular project was for the intersection improvements for Wall Triana Highway Southwest and Sullivan Street. She stated this would be traffic signals replacements, drainage improvements, and also resurfacing and striping along Madison Boulevard. She stated that these were State Anywhere Funds. She continued that this was the design phase of the project.

Ms. Lowe stated that what was displayed at this time was the location map for the project.

Ms. Bryant recommended approval of Resolution No. 15-22, amending the National Highway System/Interstate Maintenance/Bridge Projects section in the Adopted FY 2020-2023 TIP to add new PE Project #100074621, "TRAFFIC SIGNAL REPLACEMENT, DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, RESURFACING, AND TRAFFIC STRIPE AT MADISON BOULEVARD AND WALL TRIANA HIGHWAY SOUTHWEST/SULLIVAN STREET."

Said motion was duly seconded by Ms. Martin.

Mr. Vandiver asked if there was any discussion.

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

Mr. Vandiver stated the next item on the agenda was Resolution No. 16-22.

Mr. Vandiver recognized Ms. Lowe.

(Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Ms. Lowe stated that Resolution No. 16-22 was the construction portion

of the previous project. She stated this was also State Anywhere Funds. She stated that the total project was from Production Avenue all the way down to Flagstone Drive. She stated this was the specific construction portion of the project for Madison Boulevard at Wall Triana Highway.

Ms. Lowe stated that what she was displaying at this time was a location map for this particular project.

Mr. Nene recommended approval of Resolution No. 16-22, amending the National Highway System/Interstate Maintenance/Bridge Projects section in the Adopted FY 2020-2023 TIP to add new Project #100074622, "TRAFFIC SIGNAL REPLACEMENT, DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, RESURFACING, AND TRAFFIC STRIPE AT MADISON BOULEVARD AND WALL TRIANA HIGHWAY SOUTHWEST/SULLIVAN STREET."

Said motion was duly seconded by Ms. Martin.

Mr. Vandiver asked if there was any discussion.

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

Mr. Vandiver stated that the next item on the agenda was FY 2020-2023 TIP Administrative Modifications.

Mr. Vandiver recognized Ms. Lowe.

(Ms. Lowe made a PowerPoint presentation.)

Ms. Lowe stated that Administrative Modifications were basically things that had happened between the last MPO meeting and this MPO meeting that did not require action per se.

Ms. Lowe stated that the first Administrative Modification was an Oakwood Avenue railroad project. She stated this was a level-of-effort project,

that it was a rail safety project, and there was a change in funding, an increase of \$8,000.

Ms. Lowe stated that the next Administrative Modification was a traffic restriping project, and it was a level-of-effort project as well. She stated that this was from I-565, Limestone County, to Intergraph Way. She stated this was a decrease in funding of approximately \$523,000.

Ms. Lowe stated that the next Administrative Modification was the addition of TAP funds for Madison County, District 6, Phase II. She stated it was a total of \$400,000 for this particular project that was added in.

Ms. Lowe stated that the next Administrative Modification was a TSMO project, that it was already on the STIP, and it was a change in funding, adding \$1.5 million to this particular project.

Mr. Vandiver stated, concerning the Agency Report from ALDOT, that they were going to wait until the MPO Policy Board meeting for that. He stated there was approximately \$410 million in projects going on at this time, and there would be a presentation by ALDOT concerning this at the MPO meeting.

Mr. Vandiver stated that what he was displaying at this time was something new they were launching on the MPO website, which he noted was huntsvillempo.org. He stated if they would go to that site and hover over "News," there should be a "Project Status" link, and they could go on that, and then they could scroll down and see all the ALDOT project updates that had been presented by ALDOT since August of 2018, that they were all archived on this page. He continued that if they clicked on "MPO Project Status Update," it would go to a new page. He stated that some of the members might recall that they had previously done an Excel spreadsheet, that the staff had sent out this spreadsheet full of information on projects that were ongoing or proposed in

the Huntsville MPO area.

Mr. Vandiver stated they had wanted to do something a little more user friendly, so they had taken about a year to work on this project, and, hopefully, this would help to satisfy that. He stated that this had information on all the different projects going on in the area and the ones that were proposed.

Mr. Vandiver asked Ms. Lowe to display the project they had just approved, Madison Boulevard at Wall Triana Highway.

Mr. Vandiver stated that these could be sorted out in different ways, by Status or Project Name.

Mr. Vandiver stated that what was being displayed at this time was one that had been discussed at this meeting, Madison Boulevard at Wall Triana Highway, and he stated they could see they had it broken down into phases, the cost, the funding sources, and also the bid start and end dates, based on the current ALDOT information they had.

Mr. Vandiver stated that they planned on updating this about once a month, or as needed. He stated that if a jurisdiction sent them information, they would try to update it as soon as they could. He stated this would always be live, and they would not have to send out new spreadsheets every month or two like they used to.

Mr. Vandiver stated they were really excited about this, and they wanted the TCC members to take a look at it and try it out. He stated that if there were any issues or concerns with the website, to just let them know, and they would try to work them out.

Mr. Vandiver asked if there were any TCC Member Comments.

Mr. Vandiver stated that the next TCC meeting would be held on August 17, 2022, at 3 p.m., most likely in this same room.

Mr. Vandiver stated that the meeting was adjourned.

(Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m. on June 8, 2022.)