

# **CORE MPO Technical Coordinating Committee**

MPC Jerry Surrency Conference Room, 2:00 p.m. 112 East State Street, Savannah Minutes

# June 15, 2017 Meeting of the CORE MPO Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC)

Voting Members	Representing	<u>Present</u>
Charles Ackridge	City of Bloomingdale	
Toss Allen	Effingham County	Х
Scott Allison	City of Richmond Hill	
John Bennett	Savannah Bicycle Campaign	
Robbie Byrd	City of Pooler	
Byron Cowart	GDOT - District Five	Х
William Eastin	GDOT - Planning	Х
George Fidler	Savannah Airport Commission	Х
Caroline Hankins	Town of Thunderbolt	
Jackie Jackson	City of Garden City	Х
Trent Long	City of Port Wentworth	Х
Don Masisack	Coastal Regional Commission	
Nathaniel Panther	Chatham County Engineering	Х
George Shaw	City of Tybee Island	Х
Grant Sparks	Chatham Area Transit	
Wykoda Wang	CORE MPO	Х
Mike Weiner	City of Savannah Traffic Engineering	х
Randy Weitman	Georgia Ports Authority	
Mark Wilkes	CORE MPO	Х
Voting Alternates	Representing	Present
Terri Harrison	Chatham Area Transit	X
Others	Representing	Present
Pam Bernard	Chatham County Engineering	X
Vivian Canizares	GDOT - Planning	x
Jane Love	CORE MPO	X
Troy Pittman	GDOT - District Five	Х
Stephanie Rossi	CORE MPO	Х

## I. Approval of Agenda

#### **II.** Action Items

## 1. Approval of the April 20, 2017 TCC Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved as written.

#### 2. Amendment to FY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program

Ms. Stephanie Rossi explained that the Section 5307 funds from Federal Transit Administration that CAT is using on the Origin & Destination Study need to be shown in the FY 2017 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) so that CAT can access the funds. She reviewed the task's description and budget.

Staff recommended TCC endorsement of the amendment to the FY 2017 UPWP.

Such a motion was made and seconded. The motion passed with none opposed.

#### 3. Amendments to 2040 Total Mobility Plan

Ms. Wykoda Wang reported that the proposed amendments to the 2040 Total Mobility Plan (the long range Metropolitan Transportation Plan or "MTP") would reflect some additional revenue due to the state's "HB 170" funds being assigned to certain projects since adoption, and would also add projects that the MPO recently selected for awards of Surface Transportation Block Grant funds (Z230) or Transportation Alternatives funds (Z301). She reviewed specific projects and showed the MTP's financial balance for each of the three cost bands (project timeframes).

Staff recommended TCC endorsement of the amendment to the 2040 Total Mobility Plan.

Such a motion was made and seconded. The motion passed with none opposed.

## 4. Amendments to FY 2015 - 2018 Transportation Improvement Program

Ms. Wang explained the proposed amendments to the FY 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This will shift the Islands Expressway Bridge Replacement into FY 2018 and add funding for the Utility phase. Those funds would come from some studies that will be removed from the TIP at this time, although the studies may be pursued later with other funding sources. This amendment would allow the letting of the bridge project to occur in August, as desired by the Georgia Department of Transportation and Chatham County.

Staff recommended TCC endorsement of the amendment to the FY 2015-2018 TIP.

Such a motion was made and seconded. The motion passed with none opposed.

## 5. Review and Endorsement of FY 2018 - 2021 Transportation Improvement Program

Ms. Wang reviewed the projects in the proposed new Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which covers project programming for FY 2018-2021. Adjustments had been made based on the discussion at the April meeting of the TCC. GDOT now requires that a project's funds, if not authorized in the programmed year, cannot be rolled over into the next year to keep on that project, but instead go back to the state level to be reassigned to projects in fiscal years beyond the next immediate year.

The TCC discussed ways to address the negative funding balance shown in FY 2020. Additional adjustments were made to the draft program. Staff would revise the report before the MPO Board meeting, in accord with results of the TCC meeting.

A motion was made to endorse the FY 2018-2021 TIP as modified during the TCC discussion. The motion was seconded. The motion passed with none opposed.

## 6. Endorsement of the Web-based Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. Mark Wilkes demonstrated the web based Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), on which the TCC had received a demonstration and status report in April. The development of the platform is complete. The URL would be made public once the MPO Board approves the completed platform. It is functional and would continue to be updated based on adoption of the new FY 2018-2020 TIP.

Staff recommended TCC endorsement of the web based TIP platform.

Such a motion was made and seconded. The motion passed with none opposed.

#### **III. Other Business**

## **IV. Status Reports**

#### 7. Administrative Modifications to FY 2017 Unified Planning Work Program

Ms. Wang informed the TCC of some recent budget shifts between existing tasks, which were made administratively. The total budget of the FY 2017 Unified Planning Work Program was not changed. This item was for information and no action was necessary.

#### 8. 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Update

Mr. Mark Wilkes informed the TCC that the next update of the long range Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is due by August of 2019. However the MTP's compliance with the federal legislation of MAP-21 and FAST Act is due by May 27, 2018. Thus the MPT update will like include two phases: one to address the compliance on an approximately six-month scope, followed by the traditional update process.

The TCC will review a scope for the MTP Update in August to prepare for the CORE MPO's application for the state's discretionary planning funds in September, to use on the plan update process. In response to a question, Mr. Wilkes said the MPO staff would confirm whether the March MPO Board approval of the County's and the Airport's applications for discretionary planning funds still qualifies those for submittal in September, without reconsideration by the MPO Board.

This item was for information. No action was necessary.

## V. Information Reports (verbal)

## 9. Agency Reports

GDOT -- Mr. Byron Cowart reviewed the status of projects on the handout.

Chatham County -- Mr. Nathaniel Panther reviewed the status of projects on the handout. Ms. Wang, in response to news about an expected let in July for the Jimmy DeLoach project, noted that the revised cost used in development of the new TIP needs to be modified in the current TIP, so that the project cost will be accurate in time for the let. She would include the administrative modification for that in the TIP amendment report for information.

Tybee Island -- Mr. George Shaw said that US 80, from Lazaretto Creek to Tybrisa St, would be resurfaced soon.

Savannah Airport Commission -- Mr. George Fidler reported on signal synchronization, upcoming repaving of Airways Ave., and the eventual addition of four more gates to the terminal.

# VI. Other Public Comments (limit to 3 minutes)

## **VII.** Announcements

10. Next TCC Meeting: Thursday, Aug. 17, 2:00 p.m. in the MPC Surrency Conference Room

## VIII. Other Non-Agenda Information for Reference

11. Chatham Area Transit's Electric Bus Deployment Initiative: FTA's FY 2017 Low-No Program

## IX. Adjournment

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