



CORE MPO Technical Coordinating Committee

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

Apr. 19, 2018 Meeting of the CORE MPO Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC)

<u>Voting Members</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
Charles Ackridge	City of Bloomingdale	
Scott Allison	City of Richmond Hill	
Pam Bernard	Chatham County Engineering	X
John Bennett	Savannah Bicycle Campaign	
Robbie Byrd	City of Pooler	
Joseph Capello	City of Savannah Traffic Engineering	X
Byron Cowart	GDOT - District Five	X
William Eastin	GDOT - Planning	X
George Fidler	Savannah Airport Commission	X
Caroline Hankins	Town of Thunderbolt	
Jackie Jackson	City of Garden City	X
Trent Long	City of Port Wentworth	
Don Masisack	Coastal Regional Commission	
George Shaw	City of Tybee Island	
Grant Sparks	Chatham Area Transit	
Wykoda Wang	CORE MPO	X
Randy Weitman	Georgia Ports Authority	
Mark Wilkes	CORE MPO	X
Vacant	Effingham County	
<u>Others</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
Tom McQueen	GDOT - Planning (telephone)	X
Jane Love	CORE MPO	X
Troy Pittman	GDOT - District Five	X
Stephanie Rossi	CORE MPO	X

I. Approval of Agenda

1. Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved as written.

II. Action Items

2. Approval of the Feb. 22, 2018 TCC Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved as written.

3. Georgia Performance Management Agreement

Ms. Stephanie Rossi reported on the current steps for incorporating Performance Based Planning and Programming into the process. All of the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in Georgia and the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) will have an agreement on performance data collection and sharing. Today's action would endorse the CORE MPO Board's approval for the Georgia Association of Metropolitan Planning Organization (GAMPO) to sign the agreement on behalf of the CORE MPO. Ms. Rossi also shared information on future steps for Performance Based Planning and Programming. She said that on or after May 27, 2018, any amendment to or adoption of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) or the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) will trigger the need to address the previously adopted safety targets within those documents. Staff is developing an approach for incorporating those targets. Ms. Rossi said staff recommends TCC endorsement of the MPO Board's approval for GAMPO to sign the performance data agreement with GDOT on behalf of CORE MPO. A motion was made and seconded to endorse the Board's approval. The motion passed with none opposed.

4. Amendments to 2040 Total Mobility Plan

Ms. Wykoda Wang presented a report for Item 3 and 4 together, as the amendment to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the FY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) are related to the same project. The proposal is to add ROW and Construction to the MTP cost band one and to FY 2018 (ROW) and FY 2020 (CST) of the TIP, for the I-16 at SR 307 (Dean Forest Rd.) interchange project. A positive financial balance is maintained by assigning some funds that were not used on the Island Expressway Bridge Replacement, some Z001 funds through GDOT, and some of the current balance of Z230 funds from CORE MPO. Ms. Wang said the public comment period is underway but she has not received any comments so far. Ms. Pam Bernard noted that the project may or may not be let with the I-16 widening project. Mr. Troy Pittman said that although the project is being handled by the Design/Build program, the project is following conventional development, not a design/build process. Staff recommended TCC endorsement of the amendments to the 2040 MTP and the FY 2018-2021 TIP. A motion was made and seconded to endorse the amendments to the MTP and the TIP. The motion passed with none opposed.

5. Amendments to FY 2018 - 2021 Transportation Improvement Program

The report for the Amendment to the FY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program was covered with the item above on the Amendment to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. The TCC endorsed the amendments to both documents in a single vote. See minutes for Amendment to the Total Mobility Plan.

III. Other Business

IV. Status Reports

6. Procurement Process for Special Studies

Mr. Mark Wilkes gave a status report on the progress of the two special studies that are funded with discretionary planning funds: I-16 at Jimmy DeLoach Parkway Interchange Study and I-95 at Airways Avenue Interchange Study. MPO staff has received the funding contracts from GDOT. The finance director is reviewing with the consultants. The studies' scopes are established, and traffic counts are planned before schools get out for summer. The MPO expects to finalize the contract in the next couple of weeks.

7. 2045 MTP Model Development: Socioeconomic Data

Ms. Jane Love reported on the status of the development of the travel demand model to be used for the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. In February, the TCC had endorsed the socioeconomic data for a base year of 2015 and a future year of 2045, which helps inform the level of demand in the model. The TCC had reviewed the spatial distributions of population, population density, employment, and employment density. MPO staff had submitted the data to GDOT, and now GDOT and their consultants, per the typical process, have reviewed and provided some comments first on the data for the base year of 2015. These pertain mostly to expected ranges for certain ratios like persons per household, population per acre, households per acre, employees per household, proportion of population enrolled in school, and school enrollment per service employee. At this time, MPO staff and MPC staff are confirming whether the numbers in specific Transportation Analysis Zones (TAZs) should be adjusted or if the figures are locally appropriate. The data will be resubmitted to GDOT in the near future.

V. Information Reports (verbal)

8. Reports

GDOT -- Mr. Byron Cowart reported on the status of projects on the District Five project list.
Chatham County -- Ms. Pam Bernard reported on the status of projects on the County's project list.
City of Savannah -- Mr. Joseph Capello said the EIS on Project DeRenne may be done by the end of the year. For the Delesseps/LaRoche Ave. project, the city received only one bid for ROW appraisal service. Therefore, they will need FHWA approval to accept the bid. On the W. Gwinnett St. project, the city received no bids for ROW appraisal, and so will have to re-advertise. Mr. Nick Deffley reported that the city will be looking for some additional funding for Phase 2-B of the Truman Linear Park Trail. There was some discussion about the effect of the state's policy that a project cannot carry over funds to the next immediate year. Ms. Love added that apparently the policy is also being applied to programming the CORE MPO Transportation Alternatives revenue, even though the balance of those funds have not been assigned to any specific project. Due to the policy, Mr. Deffley is concerned that Phase 2-B of the Truman Linear Park Trail in the future will be delayed up to a year to access programmed funding, even if the project is otherwise ready.
Savannah Airport Commission -- Mr. George Fidler reported that a security lane is being added and there will be a terminal ramp project.
Garden City -- Ms. Jackie Jackson said the mega rail project is moving forward. The city would like some help communicating the timeline to residents. She also said she would talk to the County about the I-16 @ SR 307 interchange project.

VI. Other Public Comments (limit to 3 minutes)

VII. Announcements

[9. Next TCC Meeting: June 21, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. in the MPC Surrency Conference Room](#)

VIII. Other Non-Agenda Information for Reference

[10. Administrative Modification to FY 2018 - 2021 Transportation Improvement Program](#)

Mr. Will Eastin and Ms. Wykoda Wang noted that this administrative modification is placing an unused earmark on the I-16 widening project.

IX. Adjournment

[11. Adjournment](#)

There being no other business, the April 19, 2018 meeting of the CORE MPO Technical Coordinating Committee was adjourned.

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