

# **CORE MPO Technical Coordinating Committee**

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

## December 7, 2017 Meeting of the CORE MPO Technical Coordinating Committee

Voting Members	Representing	<u>Present</u>
Charles Ackridge	City of Bloomingdale	
Scott Allison	City of Richmond Hill	X
John Bennett	Savannah Bicycle Campaign	X
Robbie Byrd	City of Pooler	
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	X
Don Masisack	Coastal Regional Commission	
Nathaniel Panther	Chatham County Engineering	X
George Shaw	City of Tybee Island	
Grant Sparks	Chatham Area Transit	
Wykoda Wang	CORE MPO	Χ
Mike Weiner	City of Savannah Traffic Engineering	X
Randy Weitman	Georgia Ports Authority	
Mark Wilkes	CORE MPO	
Vacant	Effingham County	
Voting Alternates	Representing	Present
Jorge Espinoza	Chatham Area Transit	X
Jane Love	CORE MPO	Χ
Others	Representing	Present
Pam Bernard	Chatham County Engineering	X
Vivian Canizares	GDOT - Planning	X
Joseph Capello	City of Savannah Traffic Engineering	Χ
Tommy Crochet	VHB	X
Stephanie Rossi	CORE MPO	Χ

## I. Approval of Agenda

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

## 1. Approval of the October 11, 2017 TCC Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the October 11, 2017 TCC meeting were approved as written.

## 2. Safety Targets

Ms. Stephanie Rossi explained that CORE MPO is considering safety targets to adopt as part of the performance management approach that is required in the federal legislation called MAP-21 and FAST Act. The MPO's deadline is February 27, 2018. The TCC had received a presentation in October about GDOT's targets and how those were set. Targets were identified for five measures: Number of Fatalities; Rate of Fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT); Number of Serious Injuries; Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT; Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries. The MPO may choose to support the state's targets or adopt its own targets. Targets will be adopted each year, and are always evaluated based on a rolling five-year average for each measure. The specific targets were listed in the draft resolution, provided to the committees, that the CORE MPO Board will consider next week. In general, the target on each measure is to be under the projected trend line. MPO staff recommended that the TCC endorse supporting the state's targets at this time. A motion was made and seconded to endorse adoption of the state safety targets to the CORE MPO Board. The motion passed with none opposed.

## 3. National Highway System (NHS) Removal and Functional Classification Changes

Ms. Rossi reviewed a request from GDOT's data office regarding nineteen proposed revisions of the National Highway System in the area. Most of the revisions pertained to segments within the City of Savannah. Most of GDOT's requested changes involved removal of segments from the NHS. MPO staff shared their recommendations. Mr. Mike Weiner, Savannah's Director of Traffic Engineering, distributed a version of the list that included the City's requests and rationales, which overlapped the MPO's recommendations and added more. The City agreed with only about half of GDOT's requests. Chatham County was in agreement with GDOT on segments in their area. Garden City requested the one proposed removal in their jurisdiction not be made, as it was part of a port connector. A motion was made and seconded for TCC to endorse these comments from each jurisdiction, to be communicated to GDOT by the MPO staff in coordination with the relevant jurisdictions. The motion passed with none opposed.

## 4. Nomination and Election of TCC Chairperson

TCC Chairman Nathaniel Panther opened the floor for nominations for Chairperson. The term is one year, and he would not accept a nomination this time, in order to encourage the rotation of responsibility promoted in the bylaws. Mark Wilkes and Pam Bernard were nominated for Chairperson. Nominations were closed. The vote was taken and Pam Bernard was elected Chairperson by a majority of those present.

#### 5. Nomination and Election of TCC Vice Chairperson

Nominations for TCC Vice Chairperson were opened. Mark Wilkes was nominated. There were no other nominations. Nominations were closed and Mark Wilkes was elected TCC Vice Chairperson.

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

## 6. Reminder: Opportunities on TCC Study Committees

Ms. Jane Love gave TCC members another opportunity to sign-up for study committees on any or all of three MPO efforts: I-16 @ Jimmy DeLoach Pkwy. Interchange Study (Pam Bernard was added to previous list that included Nathaniel Panther, Mark Wilkes, Byron Cowart, and Will Eastin); I-95 @ Pooler Pkwy. Interchange Study (George Fidler will encourage Pooler's Asst. City Manager Matt Saxon to join); 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (Scott Allison was added to previous list that included Grant Sparks, Jackie Jackson, Pam Bernard, Byron Cowart, Will Eastin, and MPO staff).

#### 7. 2045 MTP: Compilation of list of projects completed 2010-2015

Ms. Jane Love explained that MPO staff is requesting TCC members' assistance in compiling a list of projects completed in years 2010 through 2015. The list will be forwarded to GDOT in order to update the base year road network in the travel demand model that informs the 2405 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. She displayed the list template from GDOT. The TCC reviewed the various fields and got clarification on what was needed. Ms. Love said that, by January 19, members should send her the lists pertaining to their jurisdictions, so that MPO staff can compile and forward to GDOT. She would send the template to TCC members after the meeting.

#### **IV. Status Reports**

V. Information Reports (verbal)

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

#### VII. Announcements

8. Next TCC Meeting: February 22, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. in MPC Surrency Conference Room

## VIII. Other Non-Agenda Information for Reference

9. FY 2018 PL Budget Adjustment Request

## IX. Adjournment

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