

# **Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization**

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#### EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Regular meeting held at 10:00 a.m. in room 318 Civic Center Complex – Administration Building Evansville, Indiana

May 1, 2014

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### ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Nick Hall, Joseph Waller, Angie Higgins, John Stoll, Bill Harty, Dan Farvardin, John Petkovsek, Beth Jones, Mike Feltz, Ron London, Mike Vickers, Brent Schmitt, Jason Orange

#### Evansville MPO Staff Present:

Seyed Shokouhzadeh, Pam Drach, Craig Luebke, Kari Akin, Laura Lamb, Rob Schaefer, Erin Mattingly, Vishu Lingala

Others Present:

None

# **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Mr. Stoll:** The first item on the agenda is approval of minutes from the last meeting. Is there a motion for approval? (Motion was made by Mr. Harty and seconded by Mr. London) Voice vote. SO ORDERED.

# 2. OLD BUSINESS

# A. Project Update

# CITY OF EVANSVILLE

Washington Avenue-Weinbach Avenue Intersection

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**Ms. Lamb:** According to INDOT's website, the proposed letting date has been pushed back to December 10<sup>th</sup> of this year. The City is still working on right-of-way acquisition.

#### Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage Project - SR 66/Lloyd Expressway Pedestrian Overpass

**Ms. Lamb:** This project has been added to INDOT's website with a proposed letting date of December 10<sup>th</sup> of this year.

#### Evansville-Vanderburgh Sign Inventory and Replacement

**Ms. Lamb:** Both the City and County sign replacement projects have been added to INDOT's website with proposed letting dates of February 4<sup>th</sup> of next year.

#### Tekoppel Safe Routes to School

**Ms. Lamb:** This project has been added to INDOT's website with a proposed letting date of March 4<sup>th</sup> of next year.

#### VANDERBURGH COUNTY

#### Burkhardt Road-Virginia Street Intersection

**Ms. Lamb:** The consultant is working on finalizing right-of-way acquisition. The project is currently scheduled for letting on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### Green River Road: Millersburg Road to Kansas Road

**Ms. Lamb:** Construction is underway, and the contract completion date is currently set at June 1<sup>st</sup> of next year.

#### Maryland Street Bridge Over Pigeon Creek

Ms. Lamb: Bids will be opened May 13<sup>th</sup> and if acceptable, the contract will be awarded May 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### TOWN OF NEWBURGH

#### Newburgh Sign Replacement

**Ms. Lamb:** INDOT is abandoning the Force Account approach for project execution; therefore, this project will be resubmitted as an RFP and go through the normal bid letting process.

#### **INDOT**

#### US 41 – Lloyd Expressway Interchange

**Ms. Lamb:** At the letting in January, all bids came in over the engineer's estimate. INDOT is working closely with the City of Evansville to make the contract more successful when it is rebid, which is scheduled for August of this year. Ongoing preparation work, including demolition and utility relocation

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will continue until the contract is awarded and full-scale construction begins. The anticipated date that the modified interchange will open to traffic has not changed and is scheduled for the fall of 2015.

Mr. Farvardin: Laura, Do you know if the project is being redesigned?

**Ms. Lamb:** They didn't say that specifically. I would think that they would have to something to bringing it back for bids.

#### **CITY OF HENDERSON**

Green River Road: Osage Drive to Woodspoint Drive

**Ms. Lamb:** The project has been posted for bids with the response date set for May 13<sup>th</sup>. That's all the updates I have. Are there any questions or discussion about any of those?

Mr. Stoll: If there are no questions, we will move on to the next item.

### **B.** Transportation Alternatives Program Application

**Ms. Mattingly:** Last month we brought you the Transportation Alternatives Program Application for your review. We did not receive any comments or questions. So there were not any changes to the application. Once the application is approved, we will put a call for project out later this month and we will come back at the June meeting and update everybody on where the call is. We are working on the application guidelines, we are just about finished with that. I have a draft here if you want to see how it is at this point, and it will be completed when we put the call for projects out later this month... So if no one has any questions, we request your approval on the application.

Mr. Vickers: Is this application specific to Indiana projects or is it within MPO boundaries?

**Ms. Mattingly:** It's for both Indiana and Kentucky.

**Mr. Stoll:** Does anyone have any questions for Erin? If not, is there a motion to approve? (Motion was made by Mr. Feltz and seconded by Mr. Harty.) (Voice vote.) SO ORDERED.

# 3. NEW BUSINESS

None.

# 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Shokouhzadeh: Brent Schmitt is the new City Engineer, replacing Pat Keepes. Welcome Brent.

(Each member introduced themselves and what agency they represented.)

Mr. Shokouhzadeh: He was previously with INDOT so he is familiar with most of the projects.

Meeting adjourned.