



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

December 7th, 2017

The following are minutes and not intended to be a verbatim transcript. An audio version of the proceedings can be heard or viewed on our website at www.evansvillempo.com.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Shawn Hayden, Doug Taylor, Nick Hall, Bill Harty, John Petkovsek, Carol Hagedorn, Angie Higgins, Janelle Lemon, Thomas Witt, Jeff Whitaker, Joseph Waller, Sierra Nunez, Jason Orange, John Stoll

Evansville MPO Staff Present:

Laura Lamb, Craig Luebke, Matt Schriefer

John Stoll directed the meeting.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Carol Hagedorn made a motion for approval and John Petkovsek seconded the motion; motion carried.

2. OLD BUSINESS

A. Project Update- presented by Laura Lamb

CITY OF EVANSVILLE

Covert Av Road Diet: *Comments received as part of the Public Hearing process are being addressed. (11/30/17)*

Weinbach Av Road Diet: *Seventeen parcels have been secured. (12/1/17)*

Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage Project:

Hi Rail Corridor: *The Right-of-Way documentation has been submitted to INDOT. (11/7/17)*

VANDERBURGH COUNTY

[Columbia – Delaware Bridge over Pigeon Creek](#): *The supplemental agreement for right-of-way services has been fully executed. (11/30/17)*

[Green River Rd, Kansas Rd to Boonville New Harmony Rd](#): *Forty-six parcels are secured and the 401 and 404 permits have been submitted. (11/30/17)*

TOWN OF NEWBURGH

[Newburgh Rivertown Trail](#): *The project letting was moved to March 14, 2018. (11/14/17)*

INDOT

[US Highway 41, I-69 to Boonville-New Harmony Rd](#): *Project is complete. (11/29/17)*

[US Highway 41 - Fix for 41: I-69 Interchange to Ohio River Bridges](#): *The SB Main Span Deck Overlay is mostly complete and traffic is back to regular patterns on the two Main River Bridges. There are a few lingering night closures to install pavement markings, complete sealing expansion joints and other misc. work. The shoulder work has been completed and the temporary bridge is in place. All traffic has been moved onto the SB lanes of US 41 and SB Kentucky Avenue is open. Access to Waterworks road is right in/right out only at this time. Work to remove the bridge decks and to cut out the pavement replacement portion of the NB side of US 41 will continue through the winter. (12/4/17)*

[SR 66 and Casey Road](#): *All design work is complete and the project is scheduled for a Feb 7, 2018 letting. (11/29/17)*

This item was informational and did not require a committee action.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Amendment to Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Plan – presented by Matt Schriefer

The MPO Policy Committee adopted the 2018-2021 Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan on July 6, 2017. The Plan includes a list of the area non-profit organizations that have applied to the MPO for Section 5310: Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities over the past five years and their needs for additional vehicles between 2018 and 2021.

Since the adoption of the 2018-2021 Coordinated Plan, the MPO was contacted by the Warrick County Council on Aging (WCCOA) asking about their eligibility for Section 5310 funding. In order for WCCOA to be eligible, they must be included in the 2018-2021 Coordinated Plan.

The MPO is requesting your approval to amend the 2018-2021 Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan to add the Warrick County Council on Aging.

Nick Hall made a motion for approval and Angie Higgins seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. HART FY 2019 Section 5307 Grant Application – presented by Matt Schriefer

The MPO is seeking approval to electronically submit the Program of Projects for FTA Section 5307 (FFY17) funds for HART's 2018 fiscal year. The total amount being requested is \$705,570. There were no comments during the 30 day comment period. The City of Henderson Board of Commissioners approved the submittal of this grant on October 24, 2017. Your approval designates MPO staff to apply for 5307 funding on behalf of HART.

Carol Hagedorn made a motion for approval and Angie Higgins seconded the motion; motion carried.

C. Draft Title VI Implementation and Limited English Proficiency Plan – presented by Matt Schriefer

The MPO has completed a draft of an update to the Title VI Implementation Plan and Limited English Proficiency Plan (Title VI/LEP Plan). This update adds required information that has been updated through new Federal regulations and updated demographic data and maps.

A 30-day public comment period for the draft Title VI/LEP Plan began November 27 and runs through December 27. The Plan is available for public review at the MPO office and online at www.evansvillempo.com. Comments can be sent to Matt Schriefer at the MPO office.

This item was informational and did not require a committee action.

D. Draft 2018 Safety Target Setting Recommendation – presented by Laura Lamb

The FAST Act and subsequent federal rulemaking established five performance measures related to safety. The measures are number of fatalities, rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled, number of serious injuries, rate of serious injuries per 100 million vehicle miles traveled, and number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries.

Federal regulations required state DOTs to establish and report annual targets to each of these five performance measures by August 31st of each year. MPOs are required to either adopt and support their DOT's statewide targets or set their own targets specific to their areas by February 27, 2018. At this time, with the information known regarding the process and the data available to complete the task, the EMPO is recommending the adoption and support of the statewide targets for both INDOT and KYTC.

The MPO will accept comments on the proposed recommendation from December 7, 2017 through January 3, 2018. Please contact Laura Lamb at 812-436-7832 or llamb@evansvillempo.com for questions, comments or need additional information.

This item was informational and did not require a committee action.

E. FY 2018-2021 TIP Administrative Modifications – presented by Craig Luebke

The Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization has processed the following administrative modifications to the FY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

TIP Administrative Modifications

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) requested the following modifications:

Des# 1600045 SR 62: (Grouped Project: Bridge culvert and small structure preservation): Small structure paved invert at 11.24 mi. E of SR 69, and 11.74 mi. E of SR 69. Contract also includes Des# 1600047. Add Right of Way (RW) in FY 2018. RW costs of \$10,000 will be funded with \$8,000 in federal National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) funds and a \$2,000 State match.

Des# 1592462 US 41: Inspection of Ohio River Bridge, northbound and southbound Vietnam Gold Star Bridge, FY 2018/2019 payment to Kentucky: Project also includes Des# 1592466. Eliminate FY 2018 Preliminary Engineering (PE) and increase FY 2019 PE to \$150,000. PE costs will be funded with \$120,000 in federal NHPP funds and a \$30,000 State match.

This item was informational and did not require a committee action.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

A. CY 2018 Meeting Schedule and Security Badges – Presented by Laura Lamb

Laura Lamb presented the CY 2018 schedule and noted that the meeting has been moved to the 2nd Thursday of the month, rather than the first. The EMPO is switching with Area Plan Commission at their request. This switch will aid the Area Plan Commission in expediting their permits including rezonings.

The 2018 meeting dates are:

January 11, 2018
February 8, 2018
March 8, 2018
April 12, 2018
May 10, 2018
June 14, 2018
July 12, 2018
August 9, 2018
September 13, 2018
October 11, 2018
November 8, 2018
December 13, 2018

A reminder was also given to reapply for Civic Center Security annual badges for 2018. The annual badges expire at the end of the calendar year.

B. Lloyd Expressway Pigeon Creek Bridge Update

Laura Lamb read an email update from INDOT concerning comments received at the November Technical Committee meeting regarding the bridge.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

Meeting adjourned.