



## EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Regular meeting held at 4:00 p.m. in Room 301  
Civic Center Complex – Administration Building  
Evansville, Indiana

April 12, 2018

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### ROLL CALL

#### Members Present (voting):

Jack Corn, Mayor Lloyd Winnecke, Todd Robertson, Bruce Ungethiem, Angela Koehler Lindsey, William Hubiak, Russell Sights, Bobby Howard, Christy Powell, Rusty Fowler, Deneatra Henderson

#### Members Absent (voting):

Dr. H. Dan Adams, Michael Lockard

#### Members Absent (non-voting):

Joe McGuinness, Mayela Sosa, Shawn Seals, Marisol Simon, Antonio Johnson, Susan Weber, Thomas Nelson, Jr., Bernadette Dupont, Greg Thomas, John Moore, Leslie Poff

#### Evansville MPO Staff Present:

Seyed Shokouhzadeh, Pam Drach, Erin Schriefer, Laura Lamb, Kari Akin, Xinbo Mi

#### Others Present:

Don Gibbs

Jack Corn directed the meeting.

### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*Christy Powell made a motion for approval and Mayor Lloyd Winnecke seconded the motion; motion carried.*

## **2. OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. Project Update- presented by Pam Drach**

#### **CITY OF EVANSVILLE**

Walnut Street: The INDOT/LPA agreement is fully executed. A utility kick-off meeting was held on March 21, 2018 to begin the utility coordination process.

Weinbach Avenue Road Diet: Final Tracings were submitted to INDOT on April 2, 2018.

Evansville-Vanderburgh Sign Inventory and Replacement – Phase 3: Notice to Proceed with design was sent to the consultant on March 22, 2018.

#### **VANDERBURGH COUNTY**

Columbia-Delaware Bridge over Pigeon Creek: The railroad coordination is continuing. The consultant has begun work on the right-of-way appraisals.

Green River Road, Kansas Road to Boonville New Harmony Road: All but two parcels have been secured.

#### **WARRICK COUNTY**

Oak Grove Road – Phase 3: A public information meeting was held on April 3, 2018. This meeting allowed the consultants to talk through maintenance of traffic and explain what will happen during construction.

*Pam Drach asked Bobby Howard, Warrick County Engineer, if he would like to speak about the public information meeting. Bobby stated that the contractors and firms working on the project sponsored a dinner and invited local residents to come ask questions and express concerns. Warrick County has hosted meetings like this before and they are always popular and well attended.*

#### **KYTC**

KY 2183-KY 1539: Design plan revisions, to minimize utility impacts and costs, are being discussed.

#### **I-69 Corridor**

I-69 Ohio River Crossing: The project team is holding a series of Community Conversations. These are opportunities for them to talk with residents about the preliminary alternatives and how they may be impacted. Dates, times and location information is available online at the project website - <https://i69ohiorivercrossing.com/>

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

### **B. FY 2019 & FY 2020 UPWP Comments- presented by Kari Akin**

The Evansville MPO has received official comments on the FY 2019 & FY 2020 Unified Planning Work Program based on the review from the Federal and State Planning Partners.

These comments did not affect the budget or funding of the work items.

All comments received can be found in the comments section of the UPWP, which can be found on the Evansville MPO website at <http://www.evansvillempo.com/Links.html>. (Under the “Finance” tab on the left, then “FY 2019 & FY 2020 UPWP.”)

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

### **3. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. FY 2017 Audit – presented by Kari Akin**

The Evansville MPO FY 2017 Audit covering the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 was electronically sent out in the packets for your inspection.

Page 24 shows the schedule of expenditures of federal awards. Twenty three (23) grants were administered in FY 2017 totaling \$1,150,179 in expenditures. Required CFDA letters and copies of the audit have been sent to the State pass-through agencies and the Federal direct agencies relating to these grants.

Page 26 lists the schedule of findings in which no matters were reportable.

Thank you to the members who have completed the internal controls training as this is required for the next audit.

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

#### **B. Public Hearing-MPO FY 2018 FTA Section 5310 Grant Application – conducted by Pam Drach**

The MPO announced the call for projects for Section 5310 funds on October 6, 2017. Four applications were received by the MPO, including The Arc of Evansville, Warrick County Council on Aging and two from METS. Sufficient Section 5310 funds are available for all four projects.

A Public Notice of this application was placed in the Evansville Courier & Press on March 19, 2018. The Notice included public notification of the Public Hearing to be held at the MPO Technical and Policy Committee Meetings on April 12, 2018. It also provided a summary of the application, the location of hard copies of the Program of Projects for review and contact information for the MPO for public comments and questions.

*No public comments were received.*

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

#### **C. Grant Submittal-MPO FY 2018 FTA Section 5310 Grant Application – presented by Pam Drach**

The Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization is seeking approval to electronically submit the Fiscal Year 2018 grant application for FTA Section 5310 funds. These funds will be used for two non-profit vehicle acquisitions and MPO administration of the Section 5310 program. The total amount being requested is \$163,631. Your approval designates MPO staff to apply for 5310 funding.

FTA Section 5310 funds will be used to purchase a low-floor minivan for The Arc of Evansville and two small transit vehicles for the Warrick County Council on Aging. The federal share of funding is a maximum of 80% for vehicle purchase. The non-profit organizations will provide the match. Section 5310 planning funds will be used for FY 2019 administration of the Section 5310 program. These funds are 100% federal share. The attached Program of Projects providers further details.

*Mayor Lloyd Winnecke made a motion for approval and Bobby Howard seconded the motion; motion carried.*

**D. Public Hearing-METS FY 2018 FTA Section 5307, Section 5339, Section 5310 and CMAQ Grant Application – conducted by Pam Drach**

A Public Notice of the application for FTA funding was placed in the Evansville Courier & Press on March 10, 2018 (see attached). It provided notification of the Public Hearing to be held at the MPO Technical and Policy Committee Meetings on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Your approval is dependent on any public comment received. If a review or modification is needed, we will postpone approval of the application submission until the May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The MPO will also be asking for the Board of Public Works approval to submit the application at their meeting on April 19, 2018, pending your approval.

*No public comments were received.  
This item was informational and did not require a committee action.*

**E. Grant Submittal-METS FY 2018 FTA Section 5307, Section 5339, Section 5310 and CMAQ Grant Application – presented by Pam Drach**

The Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization is seeking approval to electronically submit the FTA grants for METS for 2018. The total amount being requested is \$1,824,584 in Section 5307 funds, \$254,749 in Section 5339 funds, \$124,934 in Section 5310 funds, and \$550,869 in current year CMAQ funds (plus \$142,331 in prior year CMAQ funds). (Note: These totals are slightly different than the attached Program of Projects due to METS' updates to their budget.) Your approval designates MPO staff to apply for this FTA funding on behalf of METS.

FTA Section 5307 funds will be used for operating assistance of METS' fixed route system and paratransit service, preventive maintenance, capital projects, and planning assistance. Section 5339 funds will be used for a bus wash. Section 5310 funds will be used to purchase a paratransit bus and make improvements at a new eastside terminal. CMAQ funds will be used to purchase a fixed route bus and operating assistance for Sunday Service and Lynch/Walnut Evening Service for 2018. The federal share of funding is a maximum of 50% for operating assistance, 80% for capital projects, and 80% for planning assistance. The attached Program of Projects provides further details.

*Mayor Lloyd Winnecke made a motion for approval and Angela Koehler Lindsey seconded the motion; motion carried.*

**F. FY 2018-2021 TIP Amendments – Presented by Pam Drach**

The Evansville MPO is seeking approval of the following amendment to the 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). A public review and comment period was publicized from March 28<sup>th</sup> to April 11<sup>th</sup>.

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

Des# 1702066: SR 62: Bridge replacement of pedestrian bridge west of St. Joseph Ave. Add project for Preliminary Engineering (PE) in FY 2019. PE costs of \$253,000 will be funded with \$202,000 in federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds and a \$51,000 state match. CN cost to complete outside the TIP period is \$2,528,000.

Des# 1700167: SR 68: Over Wallace Creek, 0.95 mi. E of SR 161. Bridge replacement. Add project for PE in FY 2018 and Right-of-Way in FY 2020. PE costs of \$185,000 will be funded with \$148,000 in federal STBG funds and a \$47,000 state match. ROW costs of \$30,000 will be funded with \$24,000 in federal STBG funds and a \$6,000 state match.

*William Hubiak made a motion for approval and Angela Koehler Lindsey seconded the motion; motion carried.*

## **G. FY 2018-2021 TIP Administrative Modifications – Presented by Pam Drach**

The Evansville MPO has processed the following amendments to the 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

March 9, 2018:

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

Des# 1701206: SR 662: (Grouped Project: Pavement Preservation): From I-69 to Ellerbusch Rd, 1.51 mi. E of I-69. HMA overlay. Add project for Preliminary Engineering (PE) in FY 2019 and Construction (CN) in FY 2020. PE costs of \$50,000 will be funded with \$40,000 in federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds and a \$10,000 state match. CN costs of \$862,000 will be funded with \$690,000 in federal STBG funds and a \$172,000 state match.

Des# 1700970: SR 68: (Grouped Project: Bridge, Culvert and Small Structure Preservation): 4.01 mi. W Jct. SR 61. Small structure pipe lining. Add project for PE in FY 2018 and CN in FY 2020. PE costs of \$124,000 will be funded with \$99,000 in federal STBG funds and a \$25,000 state match. CN costs of \$411,000 will be funded with \$329,000 in federal STBG funds and an \$82,000 state match.

Des# 1602248: SR 62 and SR 66: (Grouped Project: Bridge, Culvert and Small Structure Preservation): Add grouped projects to lead Des# 1602248 (University Parkway bridge over SR 62). Add Des # 1700017 bridge maintenance and repair over McFadden Creek, 0.71 mi. W of SR 69. Add PE in FY 2018 and CN in FY 2020. PE costs of \$87,000 will be funded with \$70,000 in federal National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) funds and a \$17,000 state match. CN costs of \$194,000 will be funded with \$155,000 in federal NHPP funds and a \$39,000 state match. Add Des# 1700977 SR 66 bridge over St. Joseph Ave/Locust Creek, 0.258 mi. E of SR 65. Add PE in FY 2018 and CN in FY 2020. PE costs of \$210,000 will be funded with \$168,000 in federal NHPP funds and a \$110,000 state match.

Des# 1602256: SR 68 and I-64: (Grouped Project: Bridge, Culvert and Small Structure Preservation): Add grouped projects to lead Des# 1602256 (Various locations on SR 68 and I-64). Add Des# 1700937 and 1700975 I-64 bridge deck overlay over Pigeon Creel/Erie Canal EB and WB lanes, 2.82 mi. E of I-69/SR 57. Add PE in FY 2018 and CN in FY 2020. PE costs of \$282,000 will be funded with \$254,000 in federal NHPP funds and a \$28,000 state match. CN costs of \$2,342,000 will be funded with \$2,108,000 in federal NHPP funds and a \$234,000 state match.

Des# 1700170: SR 161: (Grouped Project: Bridge, Culvert and Small Structure Preservation): 10.46 mi. N Jct. SR 66. Small structure replacement. Add project for PE in FY 2019 and ROW in FY 2020. PE costs of \$519,000 will be funded with \$415,000 in federal STBG funds and a \$104,000 state match. ROW costs of \$18,000 will be funded with \$14,000 federal STBG funds and \$4,000 state match. Project also includes Des# 1701058, SR 62 3.57 mi. E, W Jct SR 161, small structure replacement; Des# 1702071, SR 62 4.79 mi. E SR 61, small structure replacement; and Des# 1702072, SR 62 3.88 mi. E, W Jct SR 161, small structure replacement. CN cost to complete outside the TIP period is \$2,030,000.

Vanderburgh County requested the following modification:

Des# 1592156: Columbia St: Bridge over Pigeon Creek rehabilitation. Revise CN schedule from FY 2019 to FY 2020.

The Town of Newburgh requested the following modification:

Des# 1710850: Rivertown Trail Ph. 3A: Multi-use trail construction from Yorkshire Dr to Pollack Ave/Old SR 662W. Revise CN schedule from FY 2018 to FY 2019.

The City of Evansville requested the following modifications:

Des# 1383064: Covert Ave: Road diet conversion to three lanes and sidewalk improvements from US 41 to I-69. Revise ROW cost (increase) in FY 2019. ROW costs of \$760,000 will be funded with \$608,000 in federal STBG/CMAQ/HSIP funds and a \$152,000 local match.

Des# 1601824: Sign inventory/replacement program Ph. 3: Revise CN schedule from FY 2019 to FY 2020.

Warrick County requested the following modification:

Des# 1592154: Vann Rd/Casey Rd: Vann Rd from SR 261 to Casey Rd and Casey Rd from Oak Grove Rd to S of Vann Rd. trail construction. Add PE funding of \$56,000 in FY 2018 and revise RW cost (increase) in FY 2019. PE costs of \$56,000 will be funded with \$45,000 in federal TAP/CMAQ funds and an \$11,000 local match. RW costs of \$70,000 will be funded with \$56,000 in federal TAP/CMAQ funds and a \$14,000 local match.

March 28, 2018:

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) requested the following modification:

Item#02-9008: US 41: Intersection with KY 2097. Low cost improvements at this and various other locations in KYTC District 2. Scope for this intersection includes mill, resurface, updated pavement markings and signs. Add CN in FY 2018 for \$56,000 funded with 100% federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds and a soft match provided by Kentucky Toll Credits.

April 5, 2018

The Metropolitan Evansville Transit System (METS) requested the following modification:

Des# Various: Capital Assistance (5310): Add Des#s 1801333 and 1801335 and revise cost estimates in FY 2018. Annual costs of \$141,000 are programmed with \$113,000 in FTA 5310 funding and a \$28,000 local match.

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

Des# Various: Contract B-41167, Lead Des# 1801125 (Grouped Project: Bridge Culvert and Small Structure Preservation). Bridge thin deck overlays at various locations on SR 62 and SR 66 in Vanderburgh County. Add PE in FY 2018 and CN in FY 2020. PE costs of \$897,000 will be funded with \$718,000 in federal NHPP funds and a \$179,000 state match. CN costs of \$3,071,000 will be funded with \$2,457,000 in federal NHPP and a \$614,000 state match.

Des#s 1592949 & 1592958: SR 66 (Grouped Project: Bridge Culvert and Small Structure Preservation). Bridge deck overlays on SR 66 in Vanderburgh County. Add PE in FY 2019 and CN in FY 2021. PE costs of \$177,000 will be funded with \$142,000 federal STP and a \$35,000 state match. CN costs of \$768,000 will be funded with \$614,000 federal STP and a \$154,000 state match.

Des#s 1800308 & 1800314: SR 61 & SR 68 (Grouped Project: Bridge Culvert and Small Structure Preservation). Bridge thin overlays on SR 61 and SR 68 in Warrick County and various locations outside the TIP area. Add PE in FY 2019 and CN in FY 2021. PE costs of \$50,000 will be funded with \$40,000 federal STP and a \$10,000 state match. CN costs of \$1,576,000 will be funded with \$1,261,000 federal STP and \$315,000 state match.

Des# Various: Contract B-41059, Lead Des# 1800728: (Grouped Project: Bridge Culvert and Small Structure Preservation). Bridge deck overlays on I-64 and SR 68 in Warrick County and various locations outside the TIP area. Add PE in FY 2019 and CN in FY 2021. PE costs of \$838,000 will be funded with \$694,000 federal NHPP/STP and a \$144,000 state match. CN costs of \$3,214,000 will be funded with \$2,642,000 federal NHPP/STP and \$572,000 state match.

April 11, 2018

Des# 1801268: UPWP: STP UPWP Planning Activities: Revise FY 2019 funding amounts for planning activities. PE costs of \$352,440 will be funded with \$281,950 in STBG funding and a \$70,490 local match.

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

## **H. Draft Provisions Defining the Performance Based Planning and Programming Process – Presented by Pam Drach**

In May 2016, the Federal Highway Administration published the final Statewide and Metropolitan Planning Rule. The Planning Rule provides direction and guidance on requirements for the performance-based planning and programming (PBPP) provisions, including forecasting performance, target-setting, documentation in the long range plan and TIP, and a requirement for an annual System Performance Report.

To implement the PBPP, a requirement of the Planning Rule is that by May 2018 the MPOs, departments of transportation, and the providers of public transportation in the region jointly agree upon and document in writing the coordinated processes for:

- Collection of performance data
- Selection of performance targets for the metropolitan area
- Reporting of metropolitan area targets
- Reporting of actual system performance (related to those targets).

The draft provisions were provided in meeting packets and define the PBPP process that was developed in cooperation with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC). Please review and let us know if you have any questions or comments. Pending feedback for the committees and coordinating agencies, a final version of the provisions will be an action item for the May Policy and Technical Committee meetings.

## **4. OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

### **A. Approval of Bills**

*William Hubiak made a motion for approval and Bruce Ungethiem seconded the motion; motion carried.*

## **5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Jack Corn introduced and welcomed Deneatra Henderson. She has taken Wade Clements place as the Chief District Engineer for District 2 at the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.*

*Seyed Shokouhzadeh introduced and welcomed Xinbo Mi, a new staff member at the Evansville MPO. Xinbo will be doing transportation modeling.*

Meeting adjourned.