



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

August 13, 2020

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.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present (voting):

In person: Jack Corn, Mayor Lloyd Winnecke, Christy Powell, Todd Robertson

Phone: Ron Beane, Rusty Fowler, Deneatra Henderson, William “Buzzy” Newman

Members Absent (voting):

Jeff Hatfield, Bill Hubiak, Angela Koehler Lindsey, Gene Pfeiffer, Dan Saylor

Evansville MPO Staff Present:

In person: Seyed Shokouhzadeh, Pam Drach, Kari Akin, Erin Schriefer, Matt Schriefer, Amir Varshochi, Xinbo Mi

Others Present:

In person: Don Gibbs

Jack Corn directed the meeting.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

2. OLD BUSINESS

a. Project Update – presented by Pam Drach

City of Evansville

- Washington Ave: Phase 1 storm sewer work is complete. Phase 2 storm sewer construction is underway.
- Signal Preemption: The environmental document has been approved.

Vanderburgh County

- Columbia-Delaware Bridge over Pigeon Creek: Construction is complete.
- Franklin Street Bridge over Pigeon Creek: The environmental document development is ongoing.

Warrick County

- Bell Rd: Storm sewer installation to start in August.
- Warrick Trails SRTS: The project moved to the January 2021 letting.
- Telephone Rd: Working on preliminary plans and utility coordination.

Henderson County

- Green River Rd: The City is reviewing a list of firms that are approved for Title Work.

KYTC

- US 60 Spottsville Bridge: Work on the substructure and embankment for the new bridge is underway.
- KY 2084 at KY 812/Airline Road: Right of Way title work is complete and contact with property owners is ongoing.

INDOT Updates – presented by Rusty Fowler, INDOT

- US 41 at Hillsdale Rd: Wrapping up responses to public comments and working to get environmental clearance. Discussing alternatives at Radio Ave.
- SR 66 at Epworth Rd: Local officials were asked by INDOT to contribute funds towards the project. The locals prefer a symmetrical DLT intersection. Awaiting County's response.
- US 41 (Lloyd Expy to Diamond Ave): Pavement project divided at Diamond Ave and combined with US 41 Truss Bridge over Pigeon Creek.
- SR 62 from Rosenberger Ave to Wabash Ave (also includes intersection improvement projects located at Rosenberger Ave, St. Joseph Ave, Vann Ave, Burkhardt Rd, and Cross Pointe Blvd): Counter offers sent to Lochmueller Group. Survey has started. Traffic modeling has started.
- US 41 Pedestrian Walk (at US 41 and Washington Ave): INDOT met with HNTB on July 22, 2020 to discuss project objectives to help decide what alternatives to look into such as locations for the pedestrian crossing. HNTB is currently performing an alternatives analysis. Stakeholder meeting will be scheduled soon.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- Lloyd Expressway Bridge Joint and Overlay Project: Work is still moving along and night work is taking place. The completion date is still set for September 2020.
- I 69 Bridge Overlay: Project is ongoing with night and weekend work. The completion date is still set for October 2020.
- Lloyd Patching: Work is complete and the pre-final inspection was just held. There was a small punch list of items to fix and that should be finished soon.

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

3. NEW BUSINESS

a. FY 2020 – 2024 TIP Amendments – presented by Pam Drach

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

Des# 2001708: Various Locations Statewide: Overhead Sign Structure Inspection (Contract TBD). Add project to the TIP with Preliminary Engineering (PE) in FY 2021 for a total of \$833,000. The project will be funded with 80% Federal STBG funds and 20% State match.

Des# 2001709: Various Locations Statewide: High Mast Lighting Inspection (Contract TBD). Add project to the TIP with Preliminary Engineering (PE) in FY 2021 for a total of \$250,000. The project will be funded with 80% Federal STBG funds and 20% State match.

Des# 1400005: US 41 at Hillsdale Rd: Intersection Improvement Project (Contract R-37845). Add Right of Way (RW) to the TIP in FY 2021 for a total of \$11,000. Move the Construction (CN) from FY 2020 to FY 2021. The project will be funded with 80% Federal STBG funds and 20% State match.

Des# 1601066: US 41 from SR 62/66 (Lloyd Expwy) to 0.02 mi S of SR 66 N Jct (Diamond Ave): Pavement Project (Non-I) (Contract R-41410). Revise project limits in the TIP and decrease Construction (CN) in FY 2023 to a total of \$15,388,000. The project will be funded with 80% Federal NHPP funds and 20% State match.

Des# 2000514: US 41 Bridge over Pigeon Creek: Includes pavement replacement from 0.02 mi S to 0.74 mi N of N Jct SR 66 (Diamond Ave) (Contract B-43148). Add project to the TIP with Preliminary Engineering (PE) in FY 2021 for a total of \$255,000 and Construction (CN) in FY 2021 for a total of \$10,502,000. The PE will be funded with 100% State funding and the CN will be funded with 80% Federal STBG funds and 20% State match.

Des# 1702066: Pedestrian Walk at SR 62 and St. Joseph Ave: Bridge Replacement (Contract B-40560). Eliminate as a separate contract. The project has been added to Contract R-42287.

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

b. FY 2020 – 2024 TIP Modifications – presented by Pam Drach

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

Des# 2001839: I 69/US 41 Interchange (Contract T-43171): District Lighting Project (Grouped Project: Traffic signal system improvements and lighting). Add project to the TIP with Construction (CN) in FY 2023 for a total cost of \$1,650,000. Costs will be funded with 80% Federal STBG funds and 20% State match.

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

c. FY 2021 MPO/METS Transit Agreement – presented by Matt Schriefer

The Memorandum of Agreement between the Evansville MPO and the Metropolitan Evansville Transit System (METS) identifies the activities the EMPO will perform in FY 2021 for METS in exchange for compensation. It also identifies the activities METS must complete in order for the EMPO to complete their tasks.

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

4. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Approval of Bills

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

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

Meeting adjourned.