



EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Regular meeting held at 10:00 a.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: John Kinney, Chris Gentry, Jared Peterson, Matthew Bullock, Greg Wathen

Phone: Nick Hall, Doug Boom, Nate Hahn

Evansville MPO Staff Present:

Seyed Shokouhzadeh, Pam Drach, Erin Schriefer, Kari Akin, Amir Varshochi, Matt Schriefer

Greg Wathen directed the meeting.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chris Gentry made a motion for approval and Matthew Bullock 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 Matthew Bullock, INDOT

- SR 61 (W Jct SR 62 to E Jct SR 62): Construction is complete and the pre-final is scheduled for August 12, 2020.
- SR 62 (E of E Jct of SR 61): Pre-final inspection is scheduled for August 13, 2020.
- SR 66 (E of SR 61 to E Jct SR 161): Project is under construction.
- SR 66 over Little Creek: Received a low bid from E&B Paving for \$698,636.16. The project is recommended to be awarded.
- US 41 at Lynch Rd: Project has been moved to FY 2024 to help fund pavement replacement project on US 41 from Diamond Ave to the north end of the project. This is going to happen with the US 41 Truss Bridge Project over Pigeon Creek.
- 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 NB ramp over Eagle Creek, 0.31 S I 164 and US 41 over SR 66/Diamond Ave: Final plans received and are under review.
- SR 62 (various locations between SR 61 and W Jct SR 161): Starting on public involvement process. Determined Unofficial Detour routes.
- 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.

Greg Wathen asked if Warrick County was asked to contribute towards SR 66 at Epworth Rd because they are requesting a design other than what was recommended. Matthew Bullock stated that that was the case.

Greg Wathen also asked what was meant by alternatives for the US 41 Pedestrian Walk. Matthew Bullock and Chris Gentry explained that locations and the type of crossing are being studied.

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.

Matthew Bullock made a motion for approval and Chris Gentry 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.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

Meeting adjourned.