

NC Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Meeting Minutes - Final Executive Board

1 Fenton Main St.
Suite 201
Cary NC 27511

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

4:00 PM

Conference Room

1. Welcome and Introductions

Present: 17 - Sig Hutchinson, Harold Weinbrecht, Georgana Kicinski, Cat Redd, Corey Branch, Chair Vivian Jones, Vice Chair RS "Butch" Lawter, Susan Evans, Russ May, Lewis Weatherspoon, Bob Smith, Jacques Gilbert, Art Wright, Ken Marshburn, Joe Deloach, Glenn York, and Joe Geigle

Absent: 13 - Blake Massegill, Porter Casey, Montell Irvin, Sean Mayefski, TJ Cawley, Ronnie Currin, Michael Schriver, Matt Mulhollem, Terry Turner, Melvin Mitchell, Valerie Jordan, Grady Hunt, and Catherine Knudson

2. Adjustments to the Agenda

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

3. Ethics Statement:

There were no conflicts.

4. Public Comments

Bob Blank, Smoketree Home Association, signed up for public comment.

Mr. Blank expressed his feelings on NCDOT's plan to build a freeway on US1, from 540 Durant Perry Creek, less than 2 miles of a 10 mile freeway. He noted that this is supposed to be a 10 mile project. He commented that the plan makes no sense.

Mr. Blank informed the Board that studies consistently show that freeways actually create more traffic and traffic congestion within a few years of completion. He commented that creating alternatives such as rail and bus, is a much better plan.

Mr. Blank noted that questions have been asked of NCDOT's Terry Farr, and that he have yet to receive any responses.

Mr. Blank stated that NCDOT has rejected possibilities of an alternative to having a high speed freeway which would replace Capital Boulevard from I-40N to North of Wake Forest. He stated that BRT and local stations would be far better. He also noted that several statistics were found that supports an alternative approach but stated that NCDOT did not release that information to the public.

Mr. Blank stated he would like to submit video clips to staff for the Board to review.

5. Consent Agenda

5.1 Minutes - Aug 16, 2023 Executive Board Meeting

Requested Action: Approve the August 16, 2023 minutes

Attachments: [August Minutes](#)

5.2 Transit Asset Management Performance Measures & Targets for State of Good Repair

Crystal Odum, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Adopt the 2024 Performance Measures and Targets for Transit Asset Management and State of Good Repair and sign the resolution.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[Attachment B- 2024 Performance Measures and Targets Resolution 2023 09](#)

[Attachment C -2023 Recommended TAM Performance Measures and Targets for 2024](#)

5.3 FY 24 UPWP - Amendment #1

Shelby Powell, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Adopt Amendment #1 to the FY 24 UPWP.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[FY 24 UPWP Amendment #1](#)

[Resolution of Adoption - FY 24 UPWP - Amendment #1](#)

End of Consent Agenda

Sig Hutchinson motioned to approve all items on the consent agenda.

Harold Weinbrecht seconded that motion.

This item was approved by unanimous vote.

6. Public Hearing

6.1 Amendment #13 to FY2020-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Chandler Hagen / MPO Staff

Requested Action: Conduct public hearing. Approve Amendment #13 to FY2020-2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[CAMPO TIP Amendment 13 v2](#)

Chandler Hagen, CAMPO, presented this item.

Ms. Hagen reminded the Board that CAMPO had received notification from NCDOT of changes to regional projects that require amending the FY2020-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Therefore, Amendment #13 was created and presented to the Board at last month's Executive Board meeting.

Ms. Hagen noted that there was an addition of 6 new projects to this amendment. She presented a list of those new projects to the Board.

Chair Jones opened the public hearing for this item.

There were no comments.

Chair Jones closed the public hearing for this item.

Corey Branch motioned to approve Amendment #13 to FY2020-2029 TIP.

Sig Hutchinson seconded that motion.

This item was approved by unanimous vote.

6.2 Prioritization 7.0 Modal Candidate Project Lists

Alex Rickard / MPO staff

Requested Action: Conduct public hearing. Consider approval of the P7 candidate project lists for submittal to NCDOT's prioritization process and direct staff to maximize coordination with Division Engineers which may result in alternate projects being submitted with Chair approval.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[SPOT 7 Project List](#)

Alex Rickard, CAMPO, presented this item.

Mr. Rickard reminded the Board of the process of prioritization, which is used to evaluate projects for funding. He noted that currently they are on step 1, which selects projects to submit for scoring.

Mr. Rickard noted that originally, NCDOT's deadline for submitting projects for scoring was the end of September. That deadline was extended to the end of October.

Mr. Rickard provided the Board with an overview of the overall Prioritization schedule. He stated that hopefully by March, early April, there would be technical scores for all projects available. He noted that at that time the statewide tier programming would also be available.

Mr. Rickard stated that the project list has been posted online, listed as "Version 2."

Chair Jones opened the floor for questions and/or comments.

There were none.

Chair Jones opened the public hearing for this item.

There were no comments.

Chair Jones stated that the public hearing will remain open until the next Executive Board meeting.

6.3 2020 Urbanized Area and MPO Boundary Update

Chris Lukasina, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Conduct public hearing. Consider approval of revised MPO boundary.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[CAMPO Boundary 2022 Updates](#)

Chris Lukasina, CAMPO, presented this item.

Mr. Lukasina provided an overview of CAMPO's boundary, updates and recommendations based on the new urbanized area boundary.

Mr. Lukasina noted that in June, the Chatham Co. Board of Commissioners voted to request membership to CAMPO. He also stated that Harnett Co. had expanded, now including Coats and Lillington to the MPO boundary.

Mr. Lukasina reminded the Board that the 2020 Census had split Clayton/Archer Lodge within Johnston Co. into a separate urbanized area. This made them eligible to become their own MPO, but both communities of the county decided to remain a part of CAMPO.

Mr. Lukasina noted that there is a slight overlap with the town of Wilson's Mills, and that though CAMPO had reached out with an offer to become a part of CAMPO, Wilson's Mills has opted to remain in their current RPO at this time.

Chair Jones opened the public hearing.

There were no comments.

Lewis Weatherspoon motioned to approve the revised MPO boundary.

Susan Evans seconded that motion.

Mr. Weatherspoon thanked the Board for approving the boundary expansion. He stated that this expansion means a lot to Harnett County and noted that it would enhance their growth.

This item was approved by unanimous vote.

**6.4 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities
Program Management Plan Update**

Crystal Odum, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Conduct public hearing. Consider endorsement of the updated 2023 GoRaleigh Section 5310 Program Management Plan.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Attachment B - 2023 5310-ProgramManagementPlan FINAL](#)

Crystal Odum, CAMPO, presented this item.

Ms. Odum provided an overview of the Program Management Plan (PMP) Update. She reported that the City of Raleigh, with assistance from CAMPO and other stakeholders, have updated the adopted 2020 PMP.

She then provided an overview of the Program Management Plan Update.

Ms. Odum noted that the 5310 program management plan identifies rules used for spending Section 5310 funding to enhance services/projects for seniors and individuals with disabilities. It's a federally required document that outlines how FTA Section 5310 funding is administered and roles/responsibilities of grantors and grantees. It also includes information on eligible applicants, eligible projects, and local projects selection criteria.

The 5310 PMP is currently being updated to ensure the document is in accordance with the latest federal transportation guidance, it aligns with the 2018 and 2020 update of the Coordinated Public Transit Human Service Transportation Plan., it includes information and funding on the regional Mobility Management Program, vehicle purchase requirements, sub-recipient reimbursement and monitoring updates, the grant cycle schedule and has updated policy and statutory references.

Chair Jones opened the public hearing.

There were no comments.

Corey Branch motioned to adopt the updated 2023 GoRaleigh Section 5310 Program Management Plan.

Ben McDonald seconded that motion.

This item was approved by unanimous vote.

End of Public Hearings

7. Regular Agenda

7.1 Amendment #1 to FY2024-2033 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Chandler Hagen / MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[CAMPO_2024_2033_Amendment1](#)

Chandler Hagen, CAMPO, presented this item.

Ms. Hagen stated that this amendment is to add all statewide projects to the FY 2024-2023 Transportation Improvement program (TIP). She informed the Board that this item would be presented to the Board next month for public hearing and approval.

Chris Lukasina noted that this amendment was not adding all statewide projects. He stated that this covers NCDOT projects/activities that are funded throughout the State, that may occur within CAMPO's boundary throughout the year. He stated because of this, there is a requirement to include this into the TIP.

Chair Jones opened the floor for questions and/or comments.

There were none.

This item was received as information only.

7.2 Regional Rail Subcommittee Update

Chris Lukasina, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information / action as appropriate**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)*Chris Lukasina, CAMPO, presented this item.**Mr. Lukasina informed the Board that the committee would no longer be referred to as the Commuter Rail Subcommittee. It would now be called the Regional Rail Subcommittee. He provided the Board with some information on the productivity of their Regional Rail Subcommittee. He noted that they have had several meetings with DCHC.**Mr. Lukasina informed the Board that CAMPO reached out to John Hodges-Copple, the former planning Director of what was Triangle J, to provide a level set presentation on what Division 4's Transit was in the Triangle. He stated that this was designed to help individuals understand the regional rail transit vision, and how transit got to where it is today.**Mr. Lukasina stated that the subcommittee has had many discussions about new or alternative paths forward, current opportunities and potential initial recommendations. He noted that they are hoping to have a formal recommendation on rail networks this fall, to present to the Board.**Mr. Lukasina stated that he anticipates additional meetings this fall.**Chair Jones opened the floor for questions and/or comments.**Sug Hutchinson commented that he wanted to the Board to understand how are Boards are working together and are doing a great job. He noted that a few members of the Executive Board to include Mayor Jones, Corey Branch, Susan Evans and himself, had met with a DCHC group.**Mr. Hutchinson stated that the regional rail subcommittee's members are some of the most knowledgeable transit folks, and that it is important to continue the work that they are doing.**Susan Evans commented that initially this subcommittee was created primarily to work on identifying the 1st phase of the potential commuter rail. She stated that due to the work and communication thus far, due to the realization that the FTA may not be supporting this project, the subcommittee had to think long and hard on how to accomplish different components of the project without funding that was no longer on the table for use.**Ms. Evans stated that she knows it may have seemed as if it had been 9 months with no progress, but that isn't the case.***This item was received as information only.****8. Informational Item: Budget**

8.1

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [2023 Operating Budget Projection Q4](#)

This item was received as information only.

8.2

Member Shares FY 2023

Brenda Landes, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as Information

Attachments: [2023 Member Dues Projection Q4](#)

This item was received as information only.

9. Informational Item: Project Updates

9.1

Project Updates - September 2023

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [September Project Updates](#)

This item was received as information only.

9.2

Public Engagement Updates

Bonnie Parker, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: [TCC Public Engagement Updates](#)

This item was received as information only.

10. Informational Item: Staff Reports

MPO Executive Director:

Mr. Lukasina stated that pertaining to the Wake County Vehicle Rental Tax, he stated that there would be continued discussion to work through the decision of utilization of GoTriangle outside of Wake Transit for FY 2024. He noted that Wake County will continue to organize discussions, and that there is a meeting in October with the goal of bringing forth a resolution.

He announced that Ben Howell, former TCC Chair and Planning Director of Clayton, has joined CAMPO's Staff as the Wake Transit Program Manager.

Mr. Lukasina announced that former Division 5 engineer, and former CAMPO TCC member, Joey Hopkins as elected as the new Secretary of NC Dept. of Transportation, effective October 1st.

He recognized all of the individuals who collectively worked on the new TGRM2 for the effort put into that.

Mr. Lukasina stated that Community Viz (CViz), which is the land use data used for projecting population and employment, will began their regular updates this Fall.

He informed the Board that the LAPP Call-for-Projects close at the end of October, and that one of the projects that were selected for programming was cancelled, therefore \$14M would now be used to fund the remainder of the roadway and bicycle & pedestrian projects which were above the 50% score rule.

Mr. Lukasina stated that CAMPO has received a request to write letters of support for 2 reconnecting community grant applications to include:

-NCDOT (approx. \$120/130M)- support their S-Line Corridor Stations

-GoTriangle (approx. \$33m) - Mobility Hub and SPOKE project.

Mr. Lukasina stated that letters of support requests are accepted when it is consistent with the MTP and if the application looks good. He stated that the deadline to submit is next week.

Sig Hutchinson responded stating that he is fine with the NCDOT letter, noting that the GoTriangle application may reduce NCDOT's ability to get awarded. He stated that they may need to look at which is the stronger application.

Mr. Lukasina responded clarifying that the 2 applications are indeed competing with each other. He noted that this is common and that a letter of support can be written for both, even if they are competing with each other for funding. He noted that the chances of being awarded both applications

Sig Hutchinson stated that he is willing to support GoTriangle's letter of support if they are willing to write a letter of support, supporting NCDOT's application.

Chair Jones noted that writing letters of support when requested, is how we work with our partners. She stated that letters of support are only written when the applications align with the MPO's goals.

*TCC Chair:**Tracy Stephenson introduced himself as the new TCC Chair.**NCDOT Division 5:**Brandon Jones updated the Board on the Blue Ridge/Hillsborough Street separation project update, stating that Hillsborough St. had been reopened. He stated that they are currently working on rail tracks, and that I-40 maintenance project is now moving to surfacing.**NCDOT Division 6:**Darius Sturdivant stated that the Angier section of the R-5705 project let yesterday, and that they hope to be moving forward soon.**TCC Members:**Sig Hutchinson noted that LAPP is great opportunity for greenways. He encouraged that members discuss, with their staff, any greenway projects that they are interested in and apply by Halloween.***11. Adjournment****Upcoming Meetings/Events**

<i>Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting</i>	<i>October 5, 2023</i>
<i>1 Fenton Main Street</i>	<i>10:00am - noon</i>
<i>Suite 201</i>	
<i>Cary, NC 27511</i>	
<i>Capital Area MPO TAC Meeting</i>	<i>October 18, 2023</i>
<i>1 Fenton Main Street</i>	<i>4:00pm - 6:00pm</i>
<i>Suite 201</i>	
<i>Cary, NC 27511</i>	
<i>Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting</i>	<i>November 2, 2023</i>
<i>1 Fenton Main Street</i>	<i>10:00am - noon</i>
<i>Suite 201</i>	
<i>Cary, NC 27511</i>	
<i>Capital Area MPO TAC Meeting</i>	<i>November 15, 2023</i>
<i>1 Fenton Main Street</i>	<i>4:00pm - 6:00pm</i>
<i>Suite 201</i>	
<i>Cary, NC 27511</i>	