# **NC Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Meeting Minutes - Draft**

One City Plaza 421 Fayetteville Street Suite 203 Raleigh, NC 27601

# **Technical Coordinating Committee**

Thursday, October 5, 2017 10:00 AM Conference Room

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Present: 24 - Eric Lamb, Coley Price, Berry Gray, Rupal Desai, Justin Jorgensen, Chair Benjamin Howell, David Bergmark, Darcy Downs, Michael Frangos, John Hodges-Copple, Jason Brown, Adam Mitchell, Shannon Cox, Sandi Bailey, Jason Myers, Jay Sikes, Darius Sturdivant, Brandon Watson, MacKenzie Day, Bob Clark, Jimmy Eatmon, Juliet Andes, Andy Thomas Jr., and Kendra Parrish

Absent: 15 - Tim Gardiner, Tammy Ray, Scott Hammerbacher, Ken Bowers, Danny Johnson, David DeYoung, Chip Russell, Jeff Triezenberg, Michael Landguth, Michael Rogers, Tim Maloney, Kelly Blazey, Eddie Dancausse, Cathy Reeves, and Paul Kellam

### 2. Adjustments to the Agenda

No adjustments to the agenda were made.

### 3. Public Comments

Ms. Lillian Overton, Representing the Neighbors of Falls of Neuse. Ms. Overton expressed her concerns against any widening efforts of Falls of Neuse Road between Durant Road and I-540. She submitted 272 signatures and comments of citizens who live on both the east and west sides of falls of Neuse and citizens as far away as the North Ridge neighborhood have signed the petition in support of not widening Falls of Neuse road.

### 4. Minutes

4.1

TCC Minutes: September 7, 2017 meeting

Requested Action: Approve the September 7, 2017 meeting minutes.

Attachments: TCC Minutes for September 7, 2017.pdf

Minutes from the September 7, 2017 Technical Coordinating Committee meeting were approved.

A motion was made by Member Kendra Parrish, seconded by Member Michael Frangos, that this item be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

### 5. Regular Business

5.1 FY2016-25 Transportation Improvement Program- Amendment #7

Gretchen Vetter, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Recommend Executive Board approve TIP Amendment #7.

Attachments: TIP Amendment #7 9-12-2017

Gretchen Vetter presented the proposed Amendment #7 to the 2016-2025 TIP. Ms. Vetter stated this was anticipated to be the last amendment to the 2016-2025 TIP and includes both NCDOT initiated actions as well as TIP actions necessary to accomodate LAPP projects and Wake Transit projects. Ms. Vetter indicated the draft amendment was released for public review and comments on September 7th, 2017 and the comment period would run through October 8th, 2017. She also indicated a public hearing has been scheduled for the October 25, 2017 Executive Board meeting.

A motion was made by Member Adam Mitchell, seconded by Member Kendra Parrish, that this item be recommended for approval to the Executive Board. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

5.2 FY2018-2027 Transportation Improvement Program

Gretchen Vetter, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Recommend Executive Board approve the FY2018-2027 Transportation

Improvement Program.

Attachments: Draft 18-27 Public Comment Received

Gretchen Vetter stated that updates are given every two years for the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). A draft TIP has been completed that meets the federal requirement stating that the TIP and STIP must be identical.

CAMPO's public involvement policy requires that the draft TIP be released for a public review and comment period and that a public hearing be conducted to receive comment on the draft TIP.

Staff has released the Draft 2018-2027 Transportation Improvement Program for public review and comment from September 7, 2017 to October 9, 2017 and scheduled a public hearing for the Executive Board meeting on October 25, 2017. A copy of the draft TIP is available on the CAMPO website www.campo-nc.us <a href="http://www.campo-nc.us">http://www.campo-nc.us</a>. Hard copies are available upon request.

Ms. Vetter discussed the Public comments received against project U-5826 Falls of Neuse Widening, noting that a petition against the project with 272 signatures had been introduced to CAMPO. She also noted that this project was present in the FY2016-2025 TIP and programmed to begin in FY2020; the FY2018-2027 TIP programs this project to begin in FY2018.

Eric Lamb: Asked if the acceleration of Falls was unique and wanted to know some background on what conditions created the ability to accelerate so many projects during this TIP.

Alex Rickard: Stated that a number of SPOT projects were accelerated across the state due to more available funding from NCDOT.

Eric Lamb: DOT ended up with funding higher than they projected?

Alex Rickard: yes

Chris Lukasina: Stated that NCDOT is spending more money than they have in the past. So they do have a little more revenue and spending money at a faster rate. They have been doing about 100 million a month roughly per TIP projects and they want to accelerate that to 300 million. This is a big jump in the burn rate of the cash on hand to help elevate concerns of growing analysis.

A motion was made by Member Shannon Cox, seconded by Member Kendra Parrish, that this item be recommended for approval to the Executive Board. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

5.3 Briefing on Proposed Federal Rescission Legislation

Gretchen Vetter, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as Information.

Attachments: LAPP Unobligated Funds Report

Gretchen Vetter, MPO staff, presented information on the proposed rescission of federal transportation funding that was included in the appropriations bill passed by the US House of Representatives. Ms. Vetter provided a brief history of the "Woodall Amendment". The inclusion of the Woodall Amendment would make suballocated funds such as STP-DA and CMAQ subject to this \$800 million federal rescission. Ms. Vetter also provided an overview of the potential implications of the rescission for MPO funding, specifically projects funded through the LAPP program. She also indicated MPO staff was already working with other MPOs and national partners to develop a response at the federal level as well as potential contingency options for LAPP projects that have unobligated funds. Ms. Vetter identified several projects from the 2015, 2016 and 2017 LAPP cycles that still have unobligated funds, and noted that these projects were at risk if this rescission moved forward. The rescission would be applied based on states' amounts of unobligated funding as of September 30, 2017. At that time, CAMPO had \$11.3 million of unobligated STP-DA and \$17.7 million of unobligated CMAQ funds.

Received as information.

### Wake Transit Plan Implementation Update and Cost Share Agreement for 5.4 **Commuter Rail Study**

Bret Martin, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information and consider approval of participation as a party in the Cost Sharing Memorandum of Agreement for the Commuter Rail Portion of the Major Investment Study and authorize the Executive Director to sign the agreement

> Mr. Bret Martin provided a brief update on the status of the Wake County Transit Planning Advisory Committee (TPAC) studies and plans intended to inform future annual work plans, including:

- 1) Wake Transit Plan implementation public engagement strategy
- 2) Wake Transit Plan implementation staffing model and expectations plan
- 3) Multi-Year Bus Service Implementation Plan
- 4) Community Funding Area Program Management Plan
- 5) Fixed Guideway Transit Corridors Major Investment Study

The TPAC will also work to develop the initial draft of the FY 2019 Wake Transit Work Plan before releasing it for agency and public comment at the beginning of calendar year 2018.

At today's meeting, CAMPO staff provided an update on the development of the FY 2019 Wake Transit Work Plan, as well as on the studies that are underway to include:

- 1) Information on the proposed deployment of initial public outreach for the multi-year bus service implementation plan, the fixed guideway transit corridors major investment study, and the FY 2019 Wake Transit Work Plan;
- 2) Information on the development of a cost-share agreement for the fixed guideway corridors major investment study to split the cost of the commuter rail study portion of the overall study between Wake County funds and Durham County funds; and
- 3) Preliminary staffing recommendations for CAMPO to carry out its role in the implementation of the Wake County Transit Plan and the potential for a mid-year FY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program amendment to accommodate the recommendations.

Mr. Martin noted that public workshops for the Bus Plan and Major Investment Study would be held in Raleigh, Cary and other Wake County locations in late October and early November.

Received as information.

### 5.5 **Prioritization 5.0 Modal Candidate Project Lists**

Alex Rickard / CAMPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information

Alex Rickard presented the final results of the the SPOT 5 submission process. Mr. Rickard discussed the number of projects submitted in each mode, the final results of project submission coordination with our NCDOT Division partners, and the Executive Board Chair approved modifications to the project submission lists.

Received as information.

5.6 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update

Chris Lukasina, MPO Executive Director

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Mr. Lukasina provided an update on the status of the 2045 MTP development. Mr. Lukasina provided a review of the process thus far including a brief discussion of the anticipated growth in population and jobs, the deficiency analysis, the alternatives analysis, and the selection of the preferred alternative. Mr. Lukasina presented an overview of the major investments in roadway and transit modes that are currently included in the preferred alternative. He also discussed the functional classification changes for bicycle and pedestrian corridors. Mr. Lukasina reminded the TCC that sidewalks would continue to be programmatically included in the MTP and thus were not identified individually. Mr. Lukasina indicated there was a technical glitch that resulted in the roadway project list and map not entirely syncing up. He indicated this had been corrected and that future version that would be available online would reflect this technical update. Mr. Lukasina went on to discuss the financial forecast based on traditional funding (state/federal sources) as well as the potential additional/new revenue that has been developed. He explained that the MPO had included additional revenue assumptions in past regional plans and that the focus for this effort would be directed to secondary roads and/or other modes that are financially limited within the State's STI structure. Mr. Lukasina went on to discuss the remaining MTP development schedule and indicated that the current schedule would require a December meeting. Mr. Lukasina also indicated that the formal public and agency comment period was anticipated to begin on October 30, 2017 and that the anticipated approval of projects would take place in December, with final MTP adoption in January. Mr. Lukasina also indicated that jurisditional reports with projects included in the MTP under both financial scenarios were being developed and would be sent out. He also stated that any member agency that would like to discuss the MTP or any projects could schedule a time with MPO staff.

Received as information.

## 6. Informational Item: Budget

6.1 Member Shares - FY 2017

Lisa Blackburn, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

<u>Attachments:</u> Member Dues Projection QTR 4 FY2017

Attachment showed the Member's Share for FY 17. Total member share match for the FY 2017 was \$569,297.50 and as of 06-30-2017 we have spent \$454,390.

Received as information.

6.2 Operating Budget - FY 2017

Lisa Blackburn, MPO Staff

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: FY 17 PROJECTED Budget QTR 4

The FY 2017 UPWP Operating Budget was \$3,041,488. As of 06-30-2017 we have spent

\$2,285,948.

Received as information.

### 7. Informational Item: Project Updates

### 7.1 Project Updates

Requested Action: Receive as information.

Attachments: Project-Updates

Staff reviewed the attachment for information related to ongoing projects and studies.

Received as information.

### 8. Informational Item: Staff Reports

MPO Director - Mr. Lukasina introduced Ms. Bonnie Parker, the new Public Engagement Planner at CAMPO.

Mr. Lukasina reminded members that the National Association of MPO's Conference is scheduled for Savannah October 16-20, and encouraged attendance by TCC members. He also gave an update that the 2018 NC MPO Conference will not be held in Charlotte, NC. It will be held April 25-27 in Durham, NC

TCC Chair - Chairman Howell stated that because of the National MPO's conference the Executive Board will hold its regular meeting on the following Wednesday, October 25, 2017.

NCDOT Transportation Planning Branch - Ms. Rupal Desai announced that there will be a drop in session for the Granville County CTP today from 4-7 in Oxford and the 2nd public session will be held next Tuesday, October 10, from 4-7 in Butner.

NCDOT Division 4 - Mr. Eatmon stated he had no report.

NCDOT Division 5 - Absent

NCDOT Division 6 - Mr. Sturdivant stated a traffic signal is currently being installed at the intersection of Ten Ten and Old Stage road. The contractor will be out today or tomorrow and once the pavement markings have been installed the pavement markers will be turned on.

NCDOT Rail Division - Absent

NC Turnpike Authority - Mr. Holliday stated he had no report.

TCC Member - Ms. Juliet Andes stated there will be an event in Cary this weekend "Tour de Cove" with lots of fun, this is an all-day event and all proceeds will go to Lori Cove for her recovery.

Received as information.

## 9. Adjournment

**Upcoming Meetings/Events**