



GREENSBORO URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 16, 2005

1:45 p.m. Greensboro, NC

Blue Room

(County Commissioner's Briefing Room)

Old Guilford County Courthouse

TAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Sandy Carmany TAC Chair
Doug Galyon NC Board of Transportation
Robbie Perkins Greensboro City Council

ATTENDANCE

Tyler Meyer	GDOT/MPO	Mark Kirstner	Guilford County Community & Economic Development Department
Peggy Holland	GDOT/MPO		
Lydia McIntyre	GDOT/MPO	Bill Bruce	Town of Summerfield
Scott Rhine	PART	Robert Gordon	Town of Summerfield
Missy Dickens	NCDOT-PDEA		

Sandy Carmany called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m., however in the absence of a quorum, the meeting began with business items to provide additional time for TAC members to arrive.

Business / Potential Action Items

1. High Point Road Project Update

Missy Dickens of the NCDOT Project Development and Environmental Analysis Division provided an update on the plans for the widening and relocation of High Point Road, from Hilltop/Groometown Road to Mackay Road, including the probable construction timeline. Specific changes to the alignment include: 1) re-alignment at the north end to avoid Oakdale United Methodist Church, 2) re-alignment of the curve at the entrance to the Kings Mill Subdivision in order to keep that entrance open, however a proposed second entrance for the subdivision is opposed by NCDOT, and will likely be rejected, and 3) surveys of Guilford Memorial Park Cemetery are nearly complete, which will be used to ensure that

the final alignment through this area does not impact any of the gravesites. It is not yet known how the needed alignment shifts will impact Sedgefield Baptist Church, located on the opposite side of the road. NCDOT will determine the final alignment within the next three months.

2. 06-12 TIP Development Update

Tyler Meyer advised that the delay in the re-authorization of the federal surface transportation legislation has delayed the Draft 2006-2012 TIP. However, NCDOT anticipates releasing the Draft TIP in early April. At that time, MPO staff will review the draft to identify any project schedule changes that could potentially trigger another conformity analysis.

Doug Galyon noted that overall Greensboro's portion of the TIP seemed to present few significant schedule changes. There may be a change in schedule on a portion of the Urban Loop, but definitive information on this situation will not be available until April.

3. Collector Street Plan Update

Lydia McIntyre advised that MPO staff continue to make significant progress in developing the proposed Collector Street Plan. A handout was provided which explains the purpose of the plan. The Collector Street Plan will identify streets which strike a balance between providing mobility and access. A draft Collector Street Plan was prepared during the 2030 LRTP update and was further refined in cooperation with planning staff from each of the member jurisdictions. A series of four public workshops have been scheduled, dispersed throughout the area, the last of which will be held in McLeansville tomorrow at 5:30 pm at Northeast Middle School. A summary of public comments received will be presented to the TAC at the next meeting in April.

4. Draft FY '06 UPWP Update

Tyler Meyer advised that the FY 2006 UPWP lists and briefly describes the planning tasks to be completed by MPO staff during the upcoming fiscal year. He noted that the TAC would be asked to approve the UPWP in April.

5. MPO Strategic Reports

None.

Action Items

Due to the lack of a quorum of TAC members, Action Items scheduled for this meeting were deferred to the next meeting.

1. Recognition of New TAC Members, Paul Gibson and Kirk Perkins

Deferred.

2. Approve Minutes of January 26, 2005

Deferred.

3. Amend 04-10 MTIP

Deferred.

Other Items

1. Board Member Report

None.

2. Reports, Concerns, and Discussion from MPO Area Towns

Robert Gordon announced that the Town of Summerfield has scheduled a Town meeting to discuss the Horsepen Creek Road widening project (R-2309) on March 22, 2005. He requested to borrow some map resources for the meeting.

Tyler Meyer advised that MPO staff would follow up on this request and that a staff member would also attend the meeting.

3. Citizen Comments

None.

4. Regional Transportation News

Scott Rhine advised that PART would be sponsoring a charette on April 29, 2005 which would allow planners, developers, and others to convene and share ideas and concerns regarding transit-oriented development concepts in the vicinity of planned station locations for the Triad Regional Transit System, which is currently in the Alternatives Analysis phase.

5. Wrap-Up

None.

Next TAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 27th at 1:45 pm. The TAC adjourned at 2:50 pm.