



TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
Minutes of February 27, 2019
10:30 a.m., Greensboro, NC
2nd Floor, Greensboro City Council Chamber
Melvin Municipal Office Building

Attendance

Tyler Meyer	GDOT/MPO	George Linney	GDOT/GTA
Lydia McIntyre	GDOT/MPO	Michael Abuya	NCDOT TPD
Craig McKinney	GDOT/MPO	Tamara Njegovan	NCDOT Division 7
Yuan Zhou	GDOT/MPO	John Fersner	E & I
Chris Spencer	GDOT		

Tyler Meyer called the meeting to order at approximately 10:47AM

Action Items

1. Minutes of January 23, 2019

Tyler Meyer asked if there were comments, revisions, or motions for approval of the minutes.

Chris Spencer motioned to approve the minutes of January 23, 2019. John Fersner seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 23, 2019.

2. MTIP Amendment: U-6121 Wendover Avenue:

Tyler Meyer said Action Items 2 through 8 are to amend the MTIP to add recently selected STI projects into the FY 2018-2027 MTIP for the purposes of enabling planning and environmental studies to get started. Project implementation funding for each of these items will be listed in the Final FY 2020-2029 TIP to be approved in summer 2019. The first such project is U-6121 Wendover Avenue:

Project U-6121 adds one lane on each side of Wendover Avenue from Guilford College Road to NC 68 as well as adds sidewalks and pedestrian enhancements.

Chris Spencer motioned to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6121 Wendover Avenue. Michael Abuya seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6121 Wendover Avenue.

3. MTIP Amendment: U-6129 Friendly Avenue – Green Valley Road – Pembroke Road:

Project U-6129 includes intersection improvements at Pembroke Road and Green Valley Road as well as access management improvements on Friendly Avenue including the installation of a median and pedestrian improvements. Craig McKinney commented that this project is for more than the intersection. Tyler Meyer

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commented that this project should be completed earlier rather than later. John Fersner commented that the DOT changes the intersection to prevent left turns from Friendly Avenue.

Michael Abuya motioned to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6129 Friendly Avenue – Green Valley Road – Pembroke Road. George Linney seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6129 Friendly Avenue – Green Valley Road – Pembroke Road.

4. MTIP Amendment: U-6181 McKnight Mill Road & Minorwood Road:

Project U-6181 improves operational function for the intersection at McKnight Mill Road and Minorwood Road. Chris Spencer mentioned that this project is outside of the division and that there has been confusion about this project that will be addressed.

Chris Spencer motioned to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6181 McKnight Mill Road & Minorwood Road. John Fersner seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6181 McKnight Mill Road & Minorwood Road.

5. MTIP Amendment: U-6185 McConnell Road – Gorrell Street – Willow Hope Road:

Project U-6185 adds a roundabout and removes the sections of the roadway that are red as well as overall traffic safety improvements. Craig McKinney commented that many people want to speed up the process for faster development. A general conversation was held about the project. George Linney asked about the bus shelter.

George Linney motioned to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6185 McConnell Road – Gorrell Street – Willow Hope Road. John Fersner seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6185 McConnell Road – Gorrell Street – Willow Hope Road.

6. MTIP Amendment: U-6186 Church Street – Archergate Road – Spencer Dixon Road:

Project U-6186 provides for intersection improvements, which could include either roundabout or signalization improvements. Tamara Njegovan commented that previous studies point towards building a roundabout in the area. Chris Spencer posed a question about one of the figures presented. Spencer also stated that the signals are currently being constructed at Church and Archer Gate Road but that that area could potentially be reworked or further improved under this project as well. Tyler Meyer commented about this being a frequently used rural bicycle route.

Michael Abuya motioned to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6186 Church Street – Archergate Road – Spencer Dixon Road. John Fersner seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6186 Church Street – Archergate Road – Spencer Dixon Road.

7. MTIP Amendment: U-6211 Fleming Road & Pleasant Ridge Road:

Project U-6211 will add a traffic signal to the intersection and includes general intersection improvements. Chris Spencer commented about the peak hour traffic congestion in the area.

George Linney motioned to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6211 Fleming Road & Pleasant Ridge Road. Michael Abuya seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Amendment: U-6211 Fleming Road & Pleasant Ridge Road.

8. MTIP Amendment U-6212 NC 68 & Randleman Road

Project U-6212 includes general intersection improvements including left turn lanes and improved safety.

George Linney motioned to approve the MTIP Amendment U-6212 NC 68 & Randleman Road. Michael Abuya seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Amendment U-6212 NC 68 & Randleman Road.

9. MTIP Amendment: TA-6714 Electric Bus Replacements:

Tyler Meyer presented MTIP Amendment: TA-6714 Electric Bus Replacements. TA-6714 currently provides for three electric buses and charging station infrastructure if needed. MPO staff recently completed successful

negotiations with NCDOT to commit an additional \$1,945,949 in CMAQ funding plus the required 15% match. This additional funding enables up to three additional electric buses to be added to the project.

George Linney motioned to approve the MTIP Amendment: TA-6714 Electric Bus Replacements. John Fersner seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Amendment: TA-6714 Electric Bus Replacements.

10. FY 2018-19 Unified Planning Work Program & FY 2018-27 MTIP Modification:

Tyler Meyer presented FY 2018-19 Unified Planning Work Program & FY 2018-27 MTIP Modification. The current UPWP runs through June 30, 2019. A modification is needed at this time to add \$22,000 in STBGDA to aid in completion of the current year's activities. Additionally, the modification reduces STBGDA for planning in FY 2019-20 to offset this move. That is possible due to a larger than typical FY 2019-20 PL allocation.

John Fersner motioned to approve the FY 2018-19 Unified Planning Work Program & FY 2018-27 MTIP Modification. Michael Abuya seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the FY 2018-19 Unified Planning Work Program & FY 2018-27 MTIP Modification.

11. Annual MPO Self-Certification:

Tyler Meyer presented the Annual MPO Self-Certification. Each year the MPO certifies that its planning process complies with all applicable federal laws and regulations based on a detailed check list. The checklist certifies that the MPO follows USDOT planning process requirements, the Clean Air Act, the Civil Rights Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Chris Spencer motioned to approve the Annual MPO Self-Certification. John Fersner seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the Annual MPO Self-Certification.

12. Approve FY 2019-2020 Unified Planning Work Program:

The FY 2019-2020 UPWP will begin July 1, 2019 and expire on June 30, 2020. The UPWP accounts for planning grants and anticipated work. The FY 2019-2020 UPWP provides for \$477,251 in FHWA PL funds; \$78,000 in Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBGDA) funds; and \$176,000 in FTA Section 5303 Transit Planning funds. Major work areas for this UPWP include: Prioritization and TIP, Mobility Greensboro 2040 implementation, Biped Plan implementation, Updated Coordinated Human Services Plan, a model update and freight model development, performance measurement, data collection, and project development and management activities. This item also includes accounting and procedural documentation and is due to NCDOT by March 15, 2019. The recommended action is to approve the UPWP.

Craig McKinney asked if the Biped position in GDOT has been filled. Tyler Meyer commented that the department is hopefully close to filling the position. Michael Abuya commented about the money allocated to the updated household survey. Tyler Meyer commented that those funds are accounted for. A general conversation was held about an error in the spreadsheet. Tyler Meyer said he would fix that error. Chris Spencer asked if this will support using MioVision. Tyler Meyer confirmed that it would.

John Fersner motioned to approve the FY 2019-2020 Unified Planning Work Program. Chris Spencer seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the FY 2019-2020 Unified Planning Work Program.

Business Items

1. Transportation Improvement Program Update Draft 2020-2029

Tyler Meyer reviewed schedule changes to existing projects under the Draft State Transportation Improvement Program 2020-2029. He then reviewed the schedule and process for developing the FY 2020-2029 MTIP. In March 2019 MPO staff will discuss the preliminary results and any requested modifications with NCDOT Division 7, in early Summer 2019 public input sessions will be held. The final MTIP will be brought for adoption in August 2019. Meanwhile, the STIP will be approved in June 2019.

2. Division Engineer Updates:

Tamara Njegovan presented the Division Engineer updates. The list of current projects, past public meetings, upcoming public meetings, and project changes was presented.

3. Project Updates:

Craig McKinney presented the Project Updates:

- Bids for the future roundabout at Old Battleground and Cotswold will be opened on February 28, 2019.
- NCDOT has indicated it would be receptive to transferring a property it owns to the City of Greensboro for use as a Bicentennial Trail trailhead parking area. Interest in establishing a trailhead parking area at this location was noted by several commenters on the Cotswold – Old Battleground public meetings in late 2017 and early 2018 and was also discussed by the MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee. Once a written confirmation is received the City will be able to review and follow-up on the opportunity.
- A local officials meeting will be held in the GDOT conference room on March 7, 2019 at 2:00PM for project U-4015A on Gallimore Dairy Road.
- The Piedmont Legacy Trails Summit will be on March 15, 2019 starting at 9:00 at the Salem Lake Marina in Winston-Salem.

4. Strategic Reports:

TAC Transit Representative:

In response to recent comments that the MPO should add a TAC member to represent those who rely on walking bicycling and transit, Tyler Meyer noted TAC already has an official Transit Representative. Per USDOT regulations, a member of the board should serve as the transit representative. MPO Transit representatives are usually elected officials or appointed board members representing transit agencies. On the Transportation Advisory Committee, an elected official fills that role. Marikay Abuzuaiter is the MPO's designated TAC transit representative.

Vision Zero Greensboro Update:

Lydia McIntyre reviewed recent activities of Vision Zero Greensboro. There have been several outreach opportunities including: bicycle rodeos, watch for me NC, and other events. A general conversation was had about the Vision Zero car stickers. The next steps for vision zero are: internal city outreach, data analysis, request action plan approval, future working groups, and a community kickoff. McIntyre also noted the pending NC House Bill to prohibit hand-held phone use while driving. If the bill is passed it will come into effect in January 2020. Marikay Abuzuaiter encouraged citizens to call their legislators to support this bill. Lydia McIntyre thanked Marikay Abuzuaiter for her work on this item.

Electric Bus Ribbon Cutting:

Tyler Meyer described the event and that it was a memorable occasion. Discussion ensued.

Other Items

1. TCC Member Updates

- Tamara Njegovan commented that FHWA is working to rename the project type known as “superstreet” to something more easily understandable to the general public.
- Michael Abuya mentioned that NCDOT has been updating the statewide NC moves 30-year plan. Abuya also commented that more updates will be shared in future meetings.

2. Wrap-Up:

The TCC unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Tyler Meyer adjourned the meeting at 11:59 AM.