



## TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE

**Minutes of August 28, 2019**  
**10:30 a.m., Greensboro, NC**  
**Third Floor, GDOT Conference Room**  
**Melvin Municipal Office Building**

### Attendance

Tyler Meyer	<i>GDOT/MPO</i>	Michael Abuya	<i>NCDOT TPD</i>
Craig McKinney	<i>GDOT/MPO</i>	Pat Wilson	<i>NCDOT Div 7</i>
Lydia McIntyre	<i>GDOT/MPO</i>	Mike Mills	<i>NCDOT Div 7</i>
Tram Truong	<i>GDOT/MPO</i>	Stephen Robinson	<i>NCDOT Div 7</i>
Yuan Zhou	<i>GDOT/MPO</i>	Mark Kirstner	<i>PART</i>
Adam Fisher	<i>GDOT</i>	Scott Whitaker	<i>Summerfield</i>
Ted Kallam	<i>GDOT</i>	Daniel Hood	<i>HICAPS</i>
Kaitlyn Jessee	<i>GDOT/MPO</i>	Rhode Hunt	<i>Kimley-Horn</i>
Spencer Odell	<i>NCDOT Div 7-TEA</i>	Bill Bruce	<i>Oak Ridge</i>
Tamara Njegovan	<i>NCDOT Div 7</i>		

***Tyler Meyer called the meeting to order at approximately 10:30AM***

### Action Items

#### 1. Meeting Minutes

Michael Abuya requested a correction to include him as an attendee by phone at the June 26, 2019 meeting.

*Mark Kirstner moved to approve the minutes of June 26, 2019. Mike Mills seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the minutes of June 26, 2019.*

#### 2. MTIP Amendment: B-5714 Willow Road Bridge

Project B-5714 will replace the Willow Road bridge over I-40. The amendment reflects a request from NCDOT to provide more time in order to coordinate with other nearby projects. The right-of-way is changed from 2019 to 2022 and construction is delayed from 2020 to 2023.

*Mark Kirstner moved to approve the MTIP Amendment: B-5714 Willow Road Bridge. Ted Kallam seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Amendment: B-5714 Willow Road Bridge.*

### **3. MTIP Amendment: B-5718 Patton Avenue Bridge**

Project B-5718 will replace the Patton Avenue bridge over I-40 to provide more time in order to coordinate with other nearby projects. The right-of-way will change from 2019 to 2022 and construction from 2020 to 2023. Mike Mills commented that the future widening of I 40 is the key nearby project to coordinate with.

*Mike Mills moved to approve the MTIP Amendments: B5718 Patton Avenue Bridge. Michael Abuya seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve MTIP Amendments: B5718 Patton Avenue Bridge.*

### **4. MTIP Amendment: EB-6037 Rails to Trails Program**

That MTIP Amendment for project EB-6037 Rails to Trails Program reflects a request from NCDOT to add a new statewide project for various rail to trail projects. Project EB-6037 is a grouped project for rail banking and/or greenway construction to proceed in multiple areas of the state. The future individual projects will be identified through municipal agreements.

*Adam Fischer moved to approve the MTIP Amendment: EB-6037 Rails to Trails Program. Bill Bruce seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Amendment: EB-6037 Rails to Trails Program.*

### **5. MTIP Modification: EB-5877 & EB-5878 Pedestrian Projects**

The MTIP Modification for projects EB-5877 and EB-5878 reflects the need to shift right-of-way from 2019-2020. Project EB-5877 is for the addition of sidewalks on Farmington Drive from Gate City Boulevard to Holden Road and the design is approximately fifty percent complete. Project EB-5877 is for the addition of sidewalks on Meadowview from Randleman Road to Elm-Eugene Street and the design is approximately eighty percent complete and the right-of-way funds are awaiting authorization.

*Mark Kirstner moved to approve the MTIP Modification: EB-5877 & EB-5878 Pedestrian Projects. Bill Bruce seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Modification: EB-5877 & EB-5878 Pedestrian Projects.*

### **6. MTIP Modification: U-5852 Benjamin Parkway/ Bryan Boulevard**

The MTIP Modification for project U-5852 for adding lanes to Benjamin Parkway and Bryan Boulevard reflects a request from NCDOT for additional time to complete the design and to add NC BUILD bond funding payback. The right-of-way has been moved from 2020-2021.

Craig McKinney mentioned sidewalks have been requested on Benjamin Parkway and Tyler Meyer commented that the sidewalks are under review, but are very likely, at least on the west wide from Green Valley through Pembroke.

*Adam Fischer moved to approve the MTIP Modification: U-5852 Benjamin Parkway/ Bryan Boulevard. Mike Mills seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Modification: U-5852 Benjamin Parkway/ Bryan Boulevard.*

### **7. Public Participation Plan/ MPO Title VI/ GTA Title VI**

Tram Truong presented the Public Participation Plan, the MPO Title VI plan, and the GTA Title VI Plan. The plans were update to comply Title VI. The Public Participation Plan was sent out for public review from July 10, 2019-August 24, 2019 and received no comments. The MPO Title VI Plan and the GTA Title VI Plan were sent out for public review from July 10, 2019 to August 9, 2019

*Mark Kirstner moved to approve the Public Participation Plan/ MPO Title VI/ GTA Title VI. Scott Whitaker seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the Public Participation Plan/ MPO Title VI/ GTA Title VI.*

## **8. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Policy Statement**

Tram Truong presented the Disadvantage Business Enterprise Program Policy Statement which is an FTA mandated plan. This statement ensures that DBEs have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts and subcontracts. The statement was sent out for public comment from July 10, 2019 to August 9, 2019. One comment was received from PART about technical changes for the document. This document has been approved by the Greensboro City Manager.

*Adam Fischer moved to approve the Disadvantage Business Enterprise Program Policy Statement. Mark Kirstner seconded the motion. The TCC voted unanimously to approve the Disadvantage Business Enterprise Program Policy Statement.*

## **9. Carolina Core & US 421 Future Interstate Designation**

*Presenter requested deferring to a later date.*

# **Business Items**

## **1. Division Engineer Update:**

Mike Mills reviewed the GUAMPO NCDOT Division 7 projects list. The installation of the left turn lane on Pleasant Garden Road onto Neely Road in Pleasant Garden is complete. Mills stated the Pine Street RR crossing closure project is underway and they are still on track for the November let date. Craig McKinney noted right-of-way was not finished but there was a meeting to clarify aspects of the right-of-way process since the City is purchasing the right-of-way for NCDOT on this project.

Mills noted TIP Project U-5754 has re-let and is scheduled for February 2020. The project originally let in March 2019 and again in June but the bids came back too high. NCDOT made modifications to the scope with the intention of attracting lower bids. TIP Project U-5898 for interchange improvements at US 29 and NC 150 in Browns Summit has been removed from the STIP. The work will be included in the US 29 improvement project from Hicone Road to NC 14/US 158 to bring all of US 29 to interstate highway standards. The portion of the Urban Loop from Battleground Avenue to Lawndale Avenue is planned to open before the end of 2019 and the section from Lawndale Avenue to Elm Street will open by the end of 2020.

Mills mentioned the 2020-2029 STIP will be approved at the NC Board of Transportation meeting in September and encouraged the committee to start reviewing projects for the next Prioritization process for the 2023-2032. Meyer commented the approval of the STIP by NCBOT would only be effective for state funded projects since FHWA has not yet approved the STIP. FHWA approval is expected in March 2020 once the Charlotte region completes its air quality conformity process. This means NCDOT will be running amendments to both the 2020-2029 and the 2018-2027 STIP through March 2020, after which the FY 2018-2027 STIP will terminate, replaced by the FY 2020-2029 document.

Mills introduced Stephen Robinson, the new Division 7 Planning Engineer. Mills also acknowledged Adam Fischer's upcoming retirement at the end of August and thanked Adam for his years spent at GDOT.

## **Project Updates:**

Craig McKinney presented the following project updates:

- Following a successful bid opening on 6/20.2019 it is expected a Notice to Proceed will be issued to the contractor in September.
- The City has received a deed from NCDOT for a property next to the A&Y Greenway and the Urban Loop. The area is currently a contractor staging area during the Urban Loop construction and will be converted to a parking lot for trailhead parking after the Urban Loop project is completed. Mark Kirstner commented that this area could also be a good location for a park and ride parking lot.
- Project U-55532A Josephine Boyd & Walker Avenue received right-of-way certification on August 14, 2019.
- Project B-5553 Ballinger Road Bridge received right-of-way certification on August 15, 2019.
- Project C-5555E sidewalks on College Road and New Garden Road is pending right-of-way certification.

Upcoming events:

- On August 29, 2019 there will be a bid opening for EL-5101 DL Pisgah Church, Lees Chapel, and Yanceyville sidewalks.
- On October 1, 2019 there will be a Local Officials Meeting for project U-5852 Benjamin Parkway/Bryan Boulevard at NCDOT Division 7.
- On September 25, 2019 the MPO will hold TCC and TAC meetings.

Tram Truong presented the NCDOT ADA Ramp Upgrades (R-5787) in Greensboro:

During the June, 2019 meeting a question was asked about the NCDOT ADA ramp upgrades in regards to specific figures. There have been eighteen intersections with sixty-eight ramps upgraded with a total cost of \$198,320. There are still 528 intersections with 1524 ramps left to be contracted which will cost around five million dollars.

## 2. Strategic Reports

Lydia McIntyre presented Prioritization 6.0 process updates:

Prioritization 6.0 has been delayed due to the delay of the next STIP. The revised schedule calls for identification of candidate projects from August, 2019 to November 27, 2019, evaluation of candidate projects from December, 2019 to January, 2020, and submittal of local projects to NCDOT in May of 2020. The previously submitted projects have received one of three reviews. If a project is committed there is no further action needed. If a project is carryover the project should be checked for corrections and submit additional details as needed. If a project is in the holding tanks it must be resubmitted for any further STI funding considerations. The MPO screening process also includes eligibility requirements and a new form as part of the application. The new modernization category includes statewide mobility, regional impact, and divisional needs.

Yuan Zhou presented the Piedmont Triad Regional Model:

The Piedmont Triad Regional Model (PTRM) is a multimodal four-step model, designed to support long range transportation planning and programming decisions. The PTRM is updated every four or five years. The PTRM analyzes socio-economic and travel characteristics data with the highway and transit network in order to make predictions about multimodal travel demand and generate summarized performance measures such as speed and functional class of roadways. PART has created a model that estimates and forecasts years from 2025-2045 which forecasts population and employment. The data was reviewed by the MPO staff in collaboration with local stakeholders. The population data comes from the NC OSBM, and the employment data comes from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The current model

shows a 2017 base year. Tyler Meyer asked about future years as the base. Lydia McIntyre noted the long-range document will only have the base year.

## Other Items

### 1. TCC Member Updates

Scott Whitaker presented an update for Summerfield:

- The sidewalk at US 29 which connects to the A & Y Greenway to Summerfield Road will open on August 30, 2019.
- Scott Whitaker also asked about the new Piedmont Discovery App. Lydia McIntyre commented that Shauna Tillery or Elizabeth Jernigan are the contacts for the Piedmont Discovery App.

Mark Kirstner presented an update about PART:

- The PART annual report was passed around and discussed.

### 2. Wrap-Up

**The meeting was adjourned by Tyler Meyer at 11:36 AM.**