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Agenda

MPO Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting
Conference Room
MPO Offices
Monongalia County
243 High Street Room 110
Morgantown WV
November 10, 2016
6:00 PM

1. Call To Order
2. CAC/Regional Transportation Plan Steering Committee Meeting
3. Call to Order for Regular TTAC Meeting
4. Approval of Minutes
5. TIP Amendments
6. Draft 2017 MPO Committee Calendar
7. Input for 2017-18 Unified Planning Work Program
8. Other Business
9. Meeting Adjournment



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Memorandum

Date: November 3, 2016

To: Citizens Advisory Committee Members

From: Bill Austin, AICP

Subject: November 10 CAC Meeting Agenda Items

This memorandum is to inform you of items to be discussed as part of the November 10th CAC Meeting.

-Transportation Improvement Program Administrative Adjustments and Amendments:

Transportation Improvement Program Amendments

The West Virginia Department of Transportation Division of Highways has requested the following Transportation Improvement Program Amendments.

FY 2016 Remove:

-I-68 Pierpont Road EB Exit 7 Ramp Widening-Right of Way FY Project NHPP 0068170D Total Cost \$1,000 Federal Funds \$900

-CO 73 (Smithtown Road) Resurfacing From CR 55 to MP 4.4-Project STP0073085D-Total Cost \$240,000 Federal Funds \$192,000

FY 2017 Add:

Please visit the MPO website planttogether.org for administrative adjustments to the TIP requested by the Division of Highways.

-Deckers Creek Trail-Design Trail-Project NRT2015245DTC Total Cost \$45,725 Federal Funds \$45,725

-Deckers Creek Trail-Construct Trail-Project NRT2015246DTC Total Cost \$121,175 Federal Funds \$96,940

-WV 100 Granville Bertha Hill Slide Correction Project STP00100154D-Total Cost \$625,000 Federal Funds \$500,000

FY 2018 ADD

-Mon River Trail Maintenance Equipment Purchase-Project NRT2015294D Total Cost \$60,000
Federal Funds-\$48,000

The Division of Highways has requested the following Administrative Adjustments. These items do not require any action by the MPO's Committee's.

Administrative Adjustments

Move to FY 2018

-Beechurst/Campus Drive Intersection Realignment-Engineering-Total Cost \$30,000 delayed by financial constraints (Previously 2016)

-Mileground Widening (Center Section)-Construction-Total Cost \$7,600,000 delayed by Design Division Staffing Issues (Previously 2017)

-Westover-Dunkard Avenue Sidewalks-Construction-Total Cost \$495,000 delayed by financial constraints (Previously 2016)

Move to FY 2019

-Beechurst/Campus Drive Intersection Realignment-Construction-Total Cost \$530,000 delayed by financial constraints (Previously 2016)

-University Avenue/Collins Ferry Road Intersection Improvement-Right of Way and Construction Total Cost \$3,200,000 delayed by financial constraints (Previously FY 2018)

-Walnut Street Streetscape Project-Total Cost \$297,500 delayed by financial constraints (Previously 2016)

In addition to the adjustments to the major projects noted above the Division of Highways has previously discussed with the MPO adjustment of the following projects:

-Arnettville Arch Bridge-Project ACST0019425D Add \$1,493,600 Federal funds total project cost remains the same

-I-68 Resurfacing-Sabraton to I-79-Project NHPP068165D Move to FY 2017

-River Road Dupont Avenue Intersection Improvement-Projects STP0045073D and STP0045074D Move to FY 2017

-Draft 2017 MPO Committee Meeting Calendar

Please review the draft calendar provided as part of the Agenda Packet. We would like to recommend adoption of the calendar to the Policy Board at their November meeting.

-Input on FY 2017-2018 Unified Planning Work Program

MPO staff is in the process of developing the FY 2017-2018 Unified Planning Work Program. We are currently asking for recommendations for any study or work that staff can provide during the upcoming fiscal year. We have had one informal request from the Pedestrian Board that we consider updating the area's Pedestrian Plan. This work would include adding the recently completed Westover Granville Pedestrian Study to the Plan that has already been developed. We would appreciate comments on this proposal as well as any suggestions you or your agency may make for studies to improve transportation in our area.

Morgantown Monongalia MPO TIP Amendments/Adjustment Map (November, 2016)



FY 2016 Remove:

- ① I-68 Pierpont Road EB Exit 7 Ramp Widening-Right of Way; total Cost \$1,000 Federal Funds \$900
- ② CO 73 (Smithtown Road) Resurfacing From CR 55 to MP 4.4; total Cost \$240,000 Federal Funds \$192,000

FY 2017 Add:

- ③ WV 100 Granville Bertha Hill Slide Correction; total Cost \$625,000 Federal Funds \$500,000

Draft 2017 MPO Committee Meeting Schedule

MPO Policy Board

**Unless noted otherwise meetings begin at 6 pm
at Morgantown City Hall**

Thursday, January 19, 2017

Thursday, March 16, 2017

Thursday, May 18, 2017

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Thursday, August 17, 2017

Thursday, October 19, 2017

Thursday, November 16, 2017

Technical Advisory Committee

**Unless noted otherwise meetings begin
at 1:30 at the MPO's Offices**

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

Tuesday, May 9, 2017

Tuesday, June 6, 2017

Tuesday, August 8, 2017

Tuesday, October 10, 2017

Tuesday, November 7, 2017

Citizens Advisory Committee

**Unless noted otherwise meetings begin
at 6 pm at the MPO's offices**

Thursday, January 12, 2017

Thursday, March 9, 2017

Thursday, May 11, 2017

Thursday, June 8, 2017

Thursday, August 10, 2017

Thursday, October 12, 2017

Thursday, November 9, 2017

Policy Advisory Committee

Meeting Locations and time TBD

Monday, January 9, 2017

Monday, October 16, 2017



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MINUTES

MPO Citizens Advisory Meeting
Morgantown Airport Terminal Building 1st Floor
Morgantown Monongalia MPO Conference Room
Oct 13, 2016
6:00 PM

Members Present

Bill Rice (Chair), Ed Sneckenberger, Charles Renner, Ed Sneckenberger, Chip Wamsley, Maria Smith, Christiaan Abildso

Members Absent

Joe Patten, Darin Glitz, Matt Cross

Others Present

Heather Britton, Christopher Britton, Bill Austin-MMMPO, Jing Zhang-MMMPO

1. Call to Order

Mr. Rice, the Chairmen of the Citizens Advisory Committee, called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

2. Approval of the Minutes

Mr. Rice noted that the minutes of the August meeting were included in the agenda packet. Mr. Sneckenberger moved to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Mr. Abildso. With no discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

3. TIP Adjustment Informational Item

Mr. Austin introduced the items that the Division of Highways requested for TIP Adjustments. These are informational items and require no action from the committee. They are: Beechurst/Campus Drive Intersection Realignment Project, Foundry Street Linkage Trail Project, Star City Trail Connector Project, and University Avenue Intersection Improvement project.

Mr. Sneckenberger asked about the status of the project on the Beechurst/Campus intersection. Mr. Austin noted that the project is undergoing some difficulties because of utility and drainage issues. The DOH is collaborating with WVU in dealing with these challenges. Mr. Sneckenberger asked if the intersection will be reconstructed as a T intersection with a driveway to the University's parking lot. Mr.

Austin noted that that was the original proposal from the university, but it is not moving forward. Chairman Rice asked about the status of University Ave and Collins Ferry Rd project. Mr. Austin noted that although no formal decision has been made, the DOH prefers the Alternative IV, which has the best traffic operation in all direction with adequate accommodation for pedestrians and bicyclists. Mr. Abildso asked if the Star City Trail Connector is the one that connects Collins Ferry Rd and the trail. Mr. Austin noted that it is so.

4. I-79 Access Study Update

Chairman Rice noted the consultants for the I-79 Access Study held a public meeting at the Mountaineer Station on Oct 11th. The meeting had a good turnout. Mr. Austin then briefly introduced the background and the process of this process and described alternatives that were identified as most desirable. The report will be posted online by the next week. Mr. Sneckenberger noted that the meeting was informative and was good communication with community members. Mr. Sneckenberger asked if formal cost and benefit analysis has been conducted. Mr. Austin noted that the consultants conducted an evaluation analysis through a matrix which shows the impact of each alternative. Formal cost and benefit analysis will be conducted after options are identified.

Mr. Austin then noted that the Study is expected to be wrapped up in January and it will be considered for adoption as a part of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan update. Mr. Abildso asked what type of cross section will be considered. Mr. Austin noted that it depends on the context of the neighborhoods. Adopted alternatives will fully consider cross sections that have minimum impact to the existing neighborhood and adequate accommodation for non-motorized transportation. Mrs. Britton asked if reversible lanes will be considered. Mr. Austin noted that in general the DOH is not inclined to use reversible lanes due to its relatively high maintenance and operational costs.

5. Update on Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Mr. Austin noted that the MPO has received 564 completed surveys by Oct 4. It is very encouraging to have so many survey responses from the community. Mr. Zhang then briefed the CAC on the findings of the survey responses. Mr. Austin noted that a public meeting will be held at Marilla Park from 4 pm to 7 pm on Oct 26th. The primary purpose of the meeting is to review the goals and objectives and projects listed in the current plan.

6. Project Update WV DOH

Mr. Austin noted that the district operations engineer was not able to attend the TTAC meeting this week, and the MPO did not receive any formal update on the WV DOH at this time. Chairman Rice noted that the MUB is working with the WV DOH on the Van Voorhis Rd project. The project will continue over the winter. Mr. Renner noted that building a truck climbing lane on I-79 in the Westover area may considerably improve the traffic flow. Mr. Austin noted that the newly adopted FAST Act has a strong emphasis on freight planning. The project can be a good Freight-oriented project for grant application under the new legislation.

7. Other Business

Mr. Austin noted that he had learned that the TIGER grant application for Greenbag Rd was rated as highly recommended and had reached the final stage of the selection process. Unfortunately, the Greenbag Rd application was not selected for funding at this time.

Chairmen Rice noted that the Chamber of Commerce has selected a new president and the Transportation Committee will meet in next few weeks to discuss potential transportation improvements that are to be funded by the 2 or 3 percent of general sale tax increase in the County. Mr. Abildso asked how the projects will be prioritized. Mr. Austin noted that they will largely be consistent with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan. Some projects may be added to address special concerns.

11. Meeting Adjournment

There being no further business. The meeting adjourned at 6: 43 PM.