

MINUTES
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE (TCC)
JULY 17, 2003, 2:00 P.M.
CITY-COUNTY PLANNING BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM
SECOND FLOOR, CITY HALL SOUTH

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lane Bailey, City of King
John Button, NCDOT Traffic Office
Dan Corder, Village of Tobaccoville
Greg Errett, WSDOT
Pat Ivey, NCDOT
Frank James, Town of Rural Hall
Gary Looper, Village of Clemmons
Chris Murphy, City-County Planning Board
Stan Polanis, WSDOT
Pat Reagan, FCEAD
Scott Rhine, PART
Wilbur Smith, Town of Kernersville
Greg Turner, City of Winston-Salem
James Upchurch, Statewide Planning NCDOT

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mark Allred, NW RPO
Rosemary Deemer, City-County Planning Board
Lakesha Dunbar, WSDOT
Wendy Miller, WSDOT
John Robinson, NW RPO
Greg Venable, WSDOT

RECORDING SECRETARY: Shelly Stewart, City-County Planning Board

Action Items

1. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 15, 2003 MEETING

- Two corrections were noted: Item 4 should say “and the Bethania Town Hall site” and Item 5 should refer to Linville Road.

MOTION: John Roberts moved approval of the minutes with the above mentioned changes.

SECOND: Pat Ivey

VOTE:

FOR: Unanimous

AGAINST: None

2. CONSIDERATION OF THE REVISED WINSTON-SALEM URBAN AREA MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

Presented by Chris Murphy.

- The committee further discussed membership and decided to recommend modifying the partial voting membership for Davie, Davidson, & Stokes Counties to make it full voting membership for each.

MOTION: Frank James moved to approve the recommendation.

SECOND: Dan Corder

VOTE:

FOR: Unanimous

AGAINST: None

3. CONSIDERATION OF THE REVISED WINSTON-SALEM URBAN AREA TCC AND TAC BY-LAWS

Presented by Chris Murphy.

- The only change since the last meeting was to delete the reference to the time of meetings. Previous changes were to reflect change in membership. Those changes included deleting the Deputy Director of the Planning Board.

MOTION: Pat Ivey moved approval.

SECOND: Frank James

VOTE:

FOR: Unanimous

AGAINST: None

4. AMENDING FY 2002-2008 MTIP TO ADDRESS NEW PROJECTS PROVIDED BY PART

Presented by Scott Rhine.

- PART received a letter from NCDOT Public Transportation Division. They have essentially identified funding for projects throughout the state for a total of 10 municipalities. In our case, we have the opportunity to access \$2.5M in Federal Funds (approximately \$1M for buses and \$1.5M for purchase of land and design work for a regional transportation center). Because of Federal deadlines, we have to get these funds listed in our TIP right away, or the money vanishes. There are no negative impacts for us. These are discretionary funds which wouldn't be used otherwise and they will not count against any monies already designated for our use.

MOTION: Gary Looper moved approval of the change in the TIP.

SECOND: Chris Murphy.

VOTE:

FOR: Unanimous

AGAINST: None

Information Items

5. CONSIDERATION OF A NEW LOCATION TO HOLD FUTURE TCC AND TAC MEETINGS

Presented by Greg Turner

- We are inviting five new members to join the TAC. That will make it very hard to fit in the Chamber for meetings. We need sound, amplification; and the same type layout with the committee facing staff who can answer questions. We are still gathering information and will be working on that. We hope to come to a decision in August.

6. 2003 TRANSPORTATION NEEDS REPORT PLANNING PROCESS

- A. Review of Project Evaluation Process and Criteria
- B. Proposed Schedule

Presented by Wendy Miller.

- Last year's submission was 27 projects (not counting Kernersville's split projects). Several factors were considered including the time element of evaluating criteria, the fact that there doesn't seem to be new money available and that continuing to have so many items in Needs List gives the community a false sense of these items being likely to happen when they rarely move onto the TIP.
- With new communities, the list keeps growing
- Gary Looper: It is important to note that regional impact projects are not included in the "one per member" recommended by the committee.
- The committee agreed that the draft should be presented to the TAC today, but both TAC and TCC should be given time to review the recommendations and discuss them with their respective governing entities.

7. REGIONAL TRAFFIC MODEL DEVELOPMENT

- A. 2002 Housing, Employment, and Population Data
- B. Street and Highway Network/Model Development
- C. 2015, 2025, 2035 Projections

Presented by Lakesha Dunbar.

- The TAZs have been completed and reviewed by regional planning. Some of them were combined and we now have local & regional TAZs.
- We had to take housing/population data from census and interpolate to 2002 which is basis of new model
- The next steps include entering code into the transit model and determining trip generation, mode, etc.

8. NCDOT DIVISION 9 REPORT

Presented by Pat Ivey.

- Update on Business 40 projects:
 - The stretch from I-40 to Stratford Road is complete except for minor things being done.
 - US 158 to Linville Road is slightly behind schedule because of weather.
 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive to US 158 has been let and will be awarded in August.
- Old Salem Roundabout project is under construction. We were able to work with Planning's Historical staff to resolve problems there.
- Lewisville/Clemmons Road is still on schedule. It is not as far ahead as it once was because of the weather, but should still be completed on schedule (this fall).
- A couple of public hearings were held recently. The Harper Road interchange project which is scheduled to be let in October 2004, the US 158 bridge over the Yadkin River which is scheduled to be let in April 2005, and the 801 bridge over I-40 near Bermuda Run which is scheduled to be let in October 2004.
- Our Raleigh staff is continuing its work with the EIS for the beltway. Public hearings are tentatively scheduled for April 2004 with a decision in July 2005.
- NC Moving Ahead: The Senate approved their version which varies slightly from the House version. That should be resolved this week.

9. PIEDMONT AUTHORITY FOR REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION (PART) REPORT

- A. CMAQ Funded Park and Ride Lots Planning
- B. Transit Model Discussion

Presented by Scott Rhine.

- We have a kickoff scheduling meeting next Thursday.
- We're close to identifying all our spaces (leased & purchased) for the Park & Ride Lot project.
- We hope to have decisions on the Park & Ride Lots next month.

10. FORSYTH COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AIR QUALITY REPORT

- A. Review - Early Action Compact Ozone Reduction Strategies & Control Measures
- B. Air Quality Report

Presented by Pat Reagan.

- Air Quality Ozone is good so far with only five exceedances this year. Four were orange and one was red.
- There is nothing new on EAC. The stakeholders and EAC subcommittees agreed on regional control strategies and submitted the list before the deadline.
- Greg Errett : Will the MPO need to take action on strategies?
- Pat Reagan: No, but I will get them a list at the next meeting.
- Mayor Williams had asked about a conformity report put together by the High Point MPO. I have copies for each TAC member.
- Gary Looper: I thought local governments were going to have input. What's the process now?
- Pat Reagan: My understanding is that the stakeholders represented the entire area. I don't know beyond that how they chose people to take input/solicit comments from municipalities.
- Stan Polanis: This list of strategies is not binding. It is things we will consider. The next step is to go through and get data for each strategy. We will brief each municipality as we go along.
- Pat Ivey: The NCDOT Chief Engineer has notified us that we will now use our message boards to notify drivers of ozone alerts.

10. CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Presented by Greg Errett.

- In September we anticipate the consultants working on US 52 will come do presentation on proposals they have identified.
- Also at our September meeting, we hope to bring in Federal Highway Administration personnel to talk about SAFE-TEA and what impact that will have on our projects, etc.
- The Salem Creek Connector project is not yet dated.
- SAFE-TEA program will replace TEA-21.

The meeting was adjourned.