

**MINUTES
OF THE
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
BATON ROUGE URBANIZED AREA
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
Tuesday, May 3, 2016 ~ 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
BREC Commission Chambers ~ 6201 Florida Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA**

Technical Advisory Committee Members present:

Hon. Joey Normand (Mayor – Town of Brusly – Acting Chairman), Hon. Richard Lee III (Mayor – City of Port Allen), Stephen Bonnette (City Parish Baton Rouge), Fred Raiford (City of Walker), Jackie Baumann (City of Gonzales), Dan Broussard (LaDOTD), Wilfred Barry (SJB/Iberville), Rob Miller (Reliant), Kevin Durbin (WBR Parish), Bill Deville (CATS), Yasoob Zia (DEQ), M. Todd Donmyer (DOTD), Bill Roux (Ascension Parish), Carrie Broussard (BR Planning Commission), and Jamie Setze (CRPC)

The meeting was also attended by:

Nick Monica (DDG), Morgan Landry (Reliant), Darnell Waites (City of Baker), Rhonda Williams (CATS), Chad Bacas (Forte & Tablada - Livingston Parish), Stephanie Pastor (Louisiana Clean Fuels), Thomas Stephens (BR Dept. of Transportation and Drainage), Stacy Schlieve (Congressman Graves), Scott Kirkpatrick (CRISIS – Speaker), Larry Sharp, Jr. (LaDOTD), Sarah Paul Edel (City of BR, DTD-TED), Mary Breau (CRPC), Kenyatta Robertson (CRPC), and Phuoc Dang (CRPC)

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Hon. Joey Normand (Mayor – Town of Brusly – Acting TAC Chairman)

- The meeting was called to order and everyone was asked to identify themselves.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Hon. Joey Normand (Mayor – Town of Brusly – Acting TAC Chairman)

- Hon. Joey Normand asked the committee if there were any corrections or additions that needed to be made to the minutes of the previous Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting, which was held on Tuesday, March 15, 2016.

Motion was made by Fred Raiford and seconded by Yasoob Zia to approve the minutes of the previous Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting, which was held on Monday, March 15, 2016. (Unanimous in favor).

3. ACTION ITEMS

A. Transportation Improvement Program (2015 - 2018) Amendments

Jamie Setze - Executive Director, CRPC

Project # H.011450 in ASC, LA 70 Mill and Overlay, Combine DOTD project H.011501 Gator Landfill Turn lane utilizing \$1.5M in STPFLEX funds in to this project and increase the cost of the original STP>200K overlay project from \$1.28M to \$2.5M in FFY 16. The

total cost of the combined project is now \$4M at 80/20 cost share.

Fred Raiford made a motion to approve the presented Transportation Improvement Program (TIP 2015 – 2018) amendments, which was seconded by Bill Roux (Unanimous in favor).

B. MTP 2037 Amendment and Conformity Analysis

- Conformity Overview
- Why Transportation Conformity Analysis?
- Current MTP 2037 Amendment and Project Changes
- Capital Area Motor Vehicle Emission Budgets (MVEBs)
- Conformity Analysis Results and Findings
- Conclusion: The Motor Vehicle Emissions (NO_x and VOC) in the Plan Amendment are lower than transportation conformity budget in the SIP for attainment of 8-hour ozone standard.

Motion to approve the presented Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2037 amendments and conformity analysis contingent upon obtaining Motor Vehicle Emission Budgets (MVEBs) adequacy from EPA was made by Fred Raiford and seconded by Kevin Durbin. (Unanimous in favor).

C. Unified Planning Work Program FY 2017

- Highlights
 - Completion of Congestion Management Process (CMP) Update
 - Update of Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) – significant resources applied to this task in FY 2017
 - ERC Study/Setup to promote environmentally sustainable transportation and economic growth in the Capital Region
 - Regional Traffic Counting Program
 - Implementation of Safety Action Plans
 - Expanded outreach and implementation of carpool/vanpool program Geaux Ride and through a regional Travel Demand Management program
 - Regional Complete Streets/Non-Motorized Plan Update
 - Pavement and Asset Management System (PAMS)
 - Continued assistance to CATS as well as evaluation of rural and regional transit needs
 - Continued and enhanced public outreach (Newsletters, Social Media, Public Meetings etc.)
 - Develop and update regional databases
- UPWP FY 2017 - Tasks Codes and Descriptions
- UPWP FY 16 vs. UPWP FY 17
 - Elimination of Tasks G-1 and G-2 which were administrative in nature
 - Addition of Task A-5 – Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning as a separate task. This was previously accomplished under tasks A-2, A-6 and A-11.
 - Increased allocation to Task A-2, Congestion Management Process.
 - Increased allocation to Task A-6, Air Quality Planning for continued work of

- the ERC program.
- Increased allocation to Task A-7, Intelligent Transportation System.
- Increased allocation to Task H-1, Travel Demand Management, for expanded regional program.
- Increased allocation to SP-2, Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2042 update which will be CRPC's major focus for FY 2017.
- Decreased allocations to Tasks (much of this work will be shifted to SP-2).
- Task by Task Comparison with UPWP FY 2016

Motion to approve the presented FY 2017 UPWP was made by Fred Raiford and seconded by Yasooob Zia. (Unanimous in favor).

4. NON-ACTION ITEMS

A. MPO Activity Update

Jamie Setze - Executive Director, CRPC

- Staffing changes
 - Kenyatta Robertson now Safety Coordinator <Remains Executive Assistant>
 - Sarah Stafford is now Office Director <Public Outreach Coordinator>
 - Adam Tatar is Regional Transit Planner
- MOVES Motor Vehicle Emission Budget (MVEB) Scenarios
 - Staff modeled various air quality model MOVES scenarios to validate the MVEB's proposed by DEQ.
 - Staff finalized the analysis for the amendments to the MTP 2037
- Congestion Analysis
 - Continuing work on travel time reliability, mobility report and Congestion Management Process (CMP).
 - Staff also currently analyzing recurring Vs. non-recurring congestion utilizing 2014 speed data.
- CMAQ Call for Projects - **REMINDER**
 - All applications must identify sponsorship by a government entity such as a city, parish, or state government organization that can provide non-federal matching funds.
 - An emissions analysis showing reductions for NOx and VOC, and, DOTD Stage 0 documents must be included with the submittal of proposed projects (CRPC can provide assistance with emissions analysis)
 - Applications should include a clear project timeline for implementation
 - Submit six hardcopies of the Stage 0 documents, air quality analysis with proposed projects
 - **Applications deadline extended to June 20, 2016**
- Regional Traffic Count Program
 - DOTD approved the project; and RFP will be advertised next week.
- Assisted CATS with planning efforts
 - Provided NTD reporting analysis and updated Shelter Maps
- Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) FY 2017
 - Staff worked on developing the UPWP for FY 2017
- Technical training

- Staff attended Freight in the Southeast conference in preparation for the Freight component of the MTP update.
- Staff also attended a TRB advanced modeling workshop.
- Capital Region Transportation Safety Coalition
 - Next quarterly coalition meeting scheduled for June 9th
- Planning Commissioner Training
 - Next quarterly training scheduled for June 18th at town of Livingston. Notices will be emailed out in the next couple of weeks.

B. MTP 2042 Update

Jamie Setze - Executive Director, CRPC

- Staff sent all the necessary documentation to LADOTD and awaiting for Notice to Proceed on the MTP 2042 project. Expected to have it soon.
- Preliminary meeting held with public outreach consultant team to discuss outreach methods and schedule.
- Expect to utilize on-line engagement tool MetroQuest planned to launch in June with initial public survey questions.
- Targeted outreach to parishes and stakeholders will follow.
- Data collection and analysis underway. Will be reaching out to MPO parishes and municipalities for updated land use, employment and economic development data.

C. CRISIS/BRAC Study

Jamie Setze and Scott Kirkpatrick, Executive Director - CRISIS

- CRISIS/BRAC planning efforts are concurrent with the MTP 2042 plan update.
- CRPC will coordinate with CRISIS/BRAC and their consultants through the plan development and public outreach processes.
- Goal is to have a cohesive regional transportation planning effort.
- Discussion

5. OTHER BUSINESS

Hon. Joey Normand (Mayor – Town of Brusly – Acting TAC Chairman)

There was no other business.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Joey Normand (Mayor – Town of Brusly – Acting TAC Chairman)

A motion was placed by Fred Raiford to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Dan Broussard. (Motion carried with no opposition).