

MINUTES
Of the
EXECUTIVE BOARD
of the
Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization
October 19, 2016

Attendees: Mayor Rogers Anderson, Ms. Kim Ark (for Exec. Anthony Holt), Mr. Steve Bland, Mayor Howard Bradley, Mayor Paige Brown, Vice-Mayor Jill Burgin (for Mayor Regina Smithson), Mayor Patti Carroll, Ms. Theresa Claxton, Mayor Philip Craighead, Mayor Dean Dickey, Mr. Gerald Herman (for Mayor Michael Arnold), Mr. Eddie Hood, Mr. Jim Kerr (for Mayor Shane McFarland), Mr. Victor Lay (for Mayor Rick Graham), Mr. Ken McLawhon (for Mayor Jimmy Alexander), Mayor Ken Moore, Mayor Charlie Norman, Mr. Toks Omishakin (for Gov. Bill Haslam), Mr. Jeff Peach (for Mayor Mary Esther Reed), Mr. Michael Skipper, Mayor Ken Wilber

Approve September 21, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Mayor Ken Wilber, immediate past Chair (filling in for Mayor Randall Hutto, Chair), opened the meeting at 9:05 a.m. Mayor Howard Bradley moved to approve the September 21, 2016 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Steve Bland and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

MPO Board Chair's Report

There was no report

Adoption of the FYs 2017-202 TIP

Ms. Michelle Lacewell, MPO interim director, said that the MPO's FY2017-2020 TIP has been developed to span the same years as the new TDOT State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The MPO's FYs 2014-2017 TIP will be superseded by the new 2017-2020 TIP once it is adopted.

She said that due to FHWA not being done with their review, she requested that the board hold the second public comment hearing but defer a vote on adoption of TIP until the Nov. 16 meeting.

Mayor Wilber opened the public hearing. Ms. Margo Chambers, Nashville, said that the TIP should not be adopted because she has not seen the per capita cost of the MPO's membership dues and that there needed to be more information about the MPO and GNRC MOA. With no further comments, Mayor Wilber closed the public hearing.

Mr. Victor Lay moved to defer the adoption vote one month with Mayor Charlie Norman seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

SCHEDULE:

- 9/7 – TCC Endorsement
- 9/21 – XB Endorsement
- 9/21-10/19 – Public Review and Comment Period
- 10/5 – First Public Hearing (TCC)
- 10/19– Second Public Hearing / Adoption (XB)

Update on I-65 Corridor Multimodal Study

Jonathan Russell said that TDOT is in the middle of an 18-month long study on I-65. He said that the first public meeting was held October 18th and there was a great turnout. There are two other meetings scheduled on October 25th in Portland and November 15th in Franklin. Using online survey (<http://tinyurl.com/I-65study> and <http://wikimapping.com/wikimap/I-65-Corridor-Study.html>) and hosting public meetings for public input are crucial components to this study. He said that he and others from TDOT are willing to go to other communities to give a presentation. Improving safety, managing congestion, and looking at multi-modal options is the focus of the study. The goal of the study is to establish a long term vision and plan for existing and future travel demand from the Alabama state line to the Kentucky state line along with project priorities.

John Houghton with Gresham, Smith and Partners said that the study is also looking at the intersecting roadway networks which affect other communities and counties. There are three phases to the study: 1) existing & future deficiencies, 2) multimodal solutions, and 3) project priorities.

By 2040 the travel times along I-65 will increase significantly and along some portions it will basically double. All options are being studied including: travel demand management, transit, capacity improvements, off-peak potential, freight, ITS management elements, integrated corridor management, connected vehicles, and total maintenance liability.

Mr. Toks Omishakin asked if the increases in travel time include any projects that may happen in the future. Mr. Houghton said that right now it only includes the existing and committed projects.

Mr. Bland asked if the members can access the slides in this presentation. Mr. Houghton said yes.

Mayor Ken Moore asked what the format meeting is for these meeting. Mr. Houghton said there is a 10-minute presentation and then there are maps to look at and tables for any feedback.

Mayor Wilber asked if there is any consideration of maybe putting bike lanes next to the interstate. Mr. Omishakin said that this is against the law for bicyclist and pedestrians to use a controlled access roadway. However, Nashville is considering a bike lane along I-440 but it will be outside the noise walls. Ms. Theresa Claxton said that FHWA allows some use, but mostly out West where there are few interchanges.

Mr. Bland asked if HOT lanes are being considered. Mr. Houghton said that everything is on the table.

MPO Director's Report

- Update on Joint Committee on Regional Governance

Ms. Lacewell said that the MOA joint committee met on October 11th. Mayor Mary Esther Reed and Mayor Kim McMillan were named co-chairs. She read the committee names: Executive Anthony Holt, Mayor Carroll Carman, Mayor Howard Bradley, Mayor Jerry Kirkman, Mayor Jessie Wallace, Mayor Jim Hunt, Mayor Ken Moore, Mayor Charlie Norman, Vice-Mayor David Briley, Mayor Ernest Burgess, Vice-Mayor Jill Burgin, Mayor Randall Hutto, and Mayor Shane McFarland. At this meeting the discussion was about the process of the study. There will be four phases 1) review of peer regions, 2) development regional activities and services and delivery of these services, 3) barriers and solutions and recommendations, and 4) create action plan.

Mr. Omishakin asked why anyone from TDOT, FHWA, RTA/MTA, or FTA is not on the committee. Ms. Lacewell said that Mr. Josh Suddath of TDOT as well as Ms. Theresa Claxton and Ms. Sabrina David of FHWA are on the committee roster to attend all joint committee meetings. Mr. Omishakin said he hoped that these voices will be heard.

Mayor Anderson said he hoped that both the pros and cons and GNRC's sunset provisions will be included. Ms. Lacewell said yes.

- MPO Membership Dues

Ms. Lacewell said that the FY2017 dues invoices have been mailed and should be paid by December 31, 2016.

- MPO Annual Meeting Awards Nominations

Ms. Lacewell said that the Annual Meeting/Luncheon will be on December 14th. Nominations for the transportation awards need to be made soon.

- Vital Signs

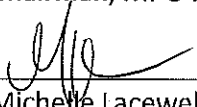
If you want any copies of the 2016 Vital Signs, let us know.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

Date: 11/16/11



The Honorable Randall Hutto
Chairman, MPO Executive Board



Michelle Lacewell, Interim MPO Director
Secretary, Executive Board