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**TPO Technical Committee
September 11, 2007
9:00 a.m.
Small Assembly Room
City/County Building
Knoxville, Tennessee**

AGENDA

Determination of Quorum

9:00-9:05

1. Approval of August 14, 2007, Minutes

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: Darryl Smith, Chair

Item Summary: Approval of August 14, 2007, TPO Technical Committee minutes.

Background: [Attachment #1 - August 14, 2007, Minutes.](#)

9:05-9:15

2. Recommend Approval of a Resolution Adopting the 2005 -2030 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update and Air Quality Conformity Analysis Update

To view the entire LRTP go to:

www.knoxtrans.org/plans/lrtp2030/2007_draft_update.pdf

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: In response to SAFETEA-LU planning regulations an MPO's long range transportation plan must be compliant to the planning regulations. Numerous text changes were made to the plan to become in compliance. Some adjustments were made to the highway project schedule in recognition of higher construction costs and slower implementation. Two public meetings were held on this plan update. TDOT has reviewed and approved the plan and currently FHWA/FTA is reviewing it.

Background: The entire LRTP Update is not included in the packet as it has been distributed and discussed with the Technical Committee members at the July 10th committee meeting. We have attached the Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the LRTP Update. The participants in the air quality Interagency Consultation process have reviewed and commented on the conformity analysis.

Staff recommends that the LRTP update be recommended for approval to the Board subject to comments from FHWA and FTA.
Attachment #2a - Public Comments.
Attachment #2b - Air Quality Conformity Analysis.

9:15-9:20

3. Recommend Approval of a Resolution Adopting the 2008 -2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

To view the entire TIP go to:

www.knoxtrans.org/plans/tip08_11/tip08_11_draft.pdf

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: The 2008-2011 TIP documents how federal and state funds will be expended on highway and public transportation projects in the urban area. Also included are projects for the McGhee Tyson Airport. There have been two public meetings to review the draft TIP. Comments that we received at these meetings are included in attachment 2a. We have made corrections that were requested by both our state and federal partners. Their comments are shown on Attachment 3b.

Attachment #3a - Summary of the 2008-2011 TIP. (First 33 pages of TIP)

Attachment #3b - Comments from FHWA/FTA and disposition of those comments.

Background: SAFETEA-LU requires a four-year TIP that is financially constrained.

9:20-9:25

4. Recommend Approval of a Resolution certifying that the TPO transportation planning process is addressing the major issues in the area and that the process is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements.

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: As part of the TIP process, SAFETEA-LU planning regulations require that the TPO certify that our planning process is addressing major issues and meeting all the federal requirements. The attached resolution needs to be approved by the TPO Board and staff recommends approval. **Attachment #4 - Resolution.**

9:25-9:30

5. Discussion of High Priority Transportation Issues/Projects

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Annually the TPO sponsors a meeting with our State legislators and TDOT Administration to discuss our major transportation issues. Staff will plan for such an event if the TPO Technical Committee and Board feel that the event is beneficial.

Background: Attached is the material that was presented at the last meeting. **Attachment #5.**

9:30-9:35

6. Other Business

- **I-40/I-81 Corridor Public Meeting Tuesday, September 25 - Attachment #6.**
- **2008 Enhancement Applications due to TDOT by November 30**
- **Executive Board Meeting, Monday, September 24 at 9:00 a.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City/County Building**
- **Technical Committee Meeting, October 9 at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building**

9:35-9:40

7. Public Comment

Members of the public may address the Technical Committee with a five-minute time limitation.

9:40

8. Adjournment