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**TPO Technical Committee
July 10, 2012
9 a.m.
Small Assembly Room
City/County Building
Knoxville, Tennessee**

AGENDA

Determination of Quorum

1. Approval of June 12, 2012 Minutes

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: Andrew Sonner, Chair

Item Summary: Approval of June 12, 2012 TPO Technical Committee Minutes.

Attachment #1 – June 12, 2012 Minutes

2. Recommended Approval of Amendment to the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: The following Amendment to the TIP was requested by our state or local governments and staff recommends approval.

- a. Add TIP Project 2011-087 (City of Knoxville feasibility and assessment greenway project feasibility and assessment). Amend the project by adding FY2013 STP funds in the amount of \$250,000 (\$200,000 state and \$50,000 local). The City of Knoxville will use the funding to do assessment and routing studies of several greenway corridors that are in the Knoxville/Knox County Park, Recreation, and Greenway Plan. This will include analysis of existing and needed property or easements, preliminary environmental documentation, and preliminary design work.

Attachment #2 – TIP Project 2011-087

3. Quarterly TIP Project Status Update

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Staff will begin a quarterly email to municipalities and entities with projects in the current Transportation Improvement Program and ask for project status updates. The first report will cover the period ending in June 2012 and will cover STP, CMAQ and Enhancement related projects.

Attachment #3 – Quarterly Project Update

4. Regional Mobility Plan Updates

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Staff continues to move forward with efforts to update the Regional Mobility Plan. Staff presented an initial draft Project Application form in May and made updates based on comments received as well as based on research of other practices.

- a. Updated Timeline – The Mobility Plan timeline has been updated to reflect the latest information.

Attachment #4a – Mobility Plan Timeline

- b. Draft Plan Outline – A major objective of this update will be to make the Plan more accessible to a broader audience so that those interested in understanding the TPO process, are able to. The attached Draft Outline reflects that objective. The content will essentially be an updated version of the current Plan, however will be repackaged to make it clearer to understand and will reference denser material, moved to the appendices. There will be a high emphasis on visualization to communicate complex ideas and processes, and the format will attempt to more clearly identify priorities and include educational elements pertaining to important issues in the Plan.

Attachment #4b – Draft Mobility Plan Outline

- c. Branding – As a part of making the Mobility Plan more accessible to the public, we have developed branding, a practice used by MPOs across the country. This will be used to clearly identify the Plan in TPO efforts.

Attachment #4c – Draft Mobility Plan Branding

- d. Project Application – We will formally open the call for projects in the next month or so and as promised we will give everyone 60 days to submit, to allow time to bring in projects that are in the current Plan.

5. Draft FY 2013 & FY 2014 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP)

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Discussion and update on the draft FY 2013 & FY 2014 Transportation Planning Work Program. A draft of the work program will be distributed at the meeting. The TPO will be asked to approve the work Program at their August meeting.

6. Bicycle Advisory Committee Update

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff and Monika Miller (BAC Chair)

Item Summary: The TPO Bicycle Advisory Committee was created in 2001 to advise the Technical Committee and Executive Board on bicycle issues. The committee has recently begun an effort to be more active, beginning with revision of the BAC bylaws and continuing with development of an annual work program.

Attachment #5 – Draft Bicycle Advisory Committee Bylaws

7. Update on PlanET Process and Upcoming Meetings

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff and Cindy Pionke (Knox County)

Item Summary: The PlanET Transportation and Working Group meeting was held on Tuesday, June 12th. Participants discussed how various drivers impact transportation and infrastructure across the region. Participants reviewed vision themes collected from the Round Two Public Forums in April with particular emphasis on themes focused on transportation and infrastructure. Participants were then engaged to identify any additional vision theme ideas for consideration.

Attachment #6 – Transportation and Infrastructure Working Group Meeting #2 Key Findings

8. Federal Legislation Update

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Congress passed a new 2-year transportation bill called Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21).

Attachment # 7 – AMPO MAP-21 Summary

9. Other Business

TDOT Update

Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, July 25, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building

Technical Committee Meeting Tuesday, August 14, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building

10. Public comment

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

11. Adjournment