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1 Call to Order

- a. Determination of a Quorum
- b. **MOTION of the Technical Committee that indicates that conducting this meeting by electronic means is necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare of Tennesseans in light of the COVID-19 outbreak.**
- c. Introductions
- d. Amendments to the Agenda

2 Motion to Approve August 11, 2020 TPO Technical Committee Minutes

Presenter: Brian Boone, Chair

Item Summary: Approval of the August 11, 2020 TPO Technical Committee Minutes.

Attachment #1: Draft August 11, 2020 TPO Technical Committee Minutes

3 Motion to Recommend Approval of a Resolution to Amend the FY2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and to Certify that the Metropolitan Planning Process is being followed to the Executive Board

Presenter: Craig Luebke, TPO Staff

Item Summary: Locally requested amendment for one (1) air quality exempt project.

STAFF RECOMMENDS APPROVAL

Attachment #2A: Draft Resolution

Attachment #2B: Draft Metropolitan Planning Process Self-Certification

Attachment #2C: Amendment 20-2017-017 (Magnolia Avenue Streetscape – Phase 3) - Amend project to reflect Phase 3 only, with revised schedule, project limits, project length and description. Programmed costs and the total project cost are also revised. The project limits are reduced to reflect Magnolia Street from Bertrand Street to Kyle Street (0.24-mile length), and the project description is revised to remove signal improvements and reflect transit stops rather than bus pull-offs. FY 2021 PE-N is programmed totaling \$450,000 (\$360,000 federal L-STBG/\$90,000 local). FY 2021 PE-D is programmed totaling \$250,000 (\$200,000 federal L-STBG/\$50,000 local). FY 2022 ROW is programmed totaling \$300,000 (\$240,000 federal L-

STBG/\$60,000 local). This amendment adds \$100,000 L-STBG (\$80,000 federal/\$20,000 local) to the TIP. The total project cost is reduced to \$5,000,000.

4 **Overview of TIP Modifications and Cost Overruns, L-STBG Funding Update and Annual ADA Transition Plan Update Requirements**

Presenter: Craig Luebke, TPO Staff

Item Summary: Staff will provide an update on recent TIP Administrative Modifications, project cost overrun funding approvals and an overview of the Local-Surface Transportation Block Grant program balance. Staff will also discuss the next steps in maintaining local Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan information.

5 **Update on Mobility Plan 2045**

Presenter: Jeff Welch and Mike Conger, TPO Staff

Item Summary: Mobility Plan 2045 is under development by staff and KCI consultants. Staff will provide an overview of the major milestones in the next 8 months for completion of the Mobility Plan 2045. Staff will also provide an initial assessment of the financial impact that the “candidate projects” submitted by our TPO partners will have on the mobility plan anticipated revenues.

6 **COVID-19 Traffic Trends and Future Model Scenarios**

Presenter: Mike Conger, TPO Staff

Item Summary: Staff will present some of the data being tracked by TDOT showing the relative traffic volumes this year compared to last year and the amount of reduction due to the ongoing pandemic. Staff will also discuss a modeling scenario effort to account for potential long-term travel behavior changes and implications on future-year traffic forecasts.

7 **New Bike/Pedestrian Crash Data for Region and Knox County**

Presenter: Ellen Zavisca, TPO Staff

Item Summary: TPO staff have updated the public map of regional traffic crashes involving people walking and bicycling, and have produced reports analyzing patterns in crashes for the region, and for the City of Knoxville, the Town of Farragut, and unincorporated Knox County, and will share the key findings.

Link 1: [Public map of pedestrian/bicycle crashes](#)

Link 2: [Link to reports on crashes by jurisdiction](#)

8 Federal Budget Update: Continuing Resolution and FAST Act Extension

Presenter: Jeff Welch, TPO Staff

Item Summary: Congress passed and the President signed a Bill to keep the government funded through December 11, 2020 and to extend the FAST Act for one more year. Specifically, Division B of the bill provides a one-year extension of surface transportation law (FAST Act) at authorized levels equal to 2020. Division B extends expenditures from the Highway Trust Fund (HTF) until October 1, 2021 and transfers \$10,400,000,000 to the Highway Account of the HTF and \$3,200,000,000 to the Mass Transit Account of the HTF to meet obligations and keep the HTF solvent till Congress can provide a longer-term solvency solution.

9 Other Business

- Executive Board meeting Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at 9 a.m. This meeting will be held electronically.
- Technical Committee meeting Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly room of the City County Building or held electronically.
- The draft update and executive summary to the Human Services Transportation Plan is now available for public review on the TPO website at:
Full Plan: <https://knoxtpo.org/home/resources/plans/hstcp/plan.pdf>
Executive Summary: <https://knoxtpo.org/home/resources/plans/hstcp/summary.pdf>
- The Tennessee Strategic Highway Safety Plan is now final. The document can be found at: <https://www.tn.gov/tdot//strategic-transportation-investments/project-safety-office.html>

10 Public Comment

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

11 Adjournment