



Minutes

9:00 AM | Small Assembly Room
City County Building, 400 Main Street

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

A. Determination of a Quorum

B. Introductions

C. Introduction of Zoom Participants

D. Amendments to the Agenda

E. **List of Commonly Used Acronyms**

***Brian Boone**
City of Maryville

***DeAnna Flinchum**
Knoxville Commuter
Pool

***Jack Qualls**
City of Loudon/Loudon
County

***Tom Clabo**
City of Knoxville
Engineering

***Rich DeGroseilliers**
Lakeway MPO

***Doug Burton (proxy
for Ms. Amy Brooks)**
Knoxville-Knox County
Planning

***Blake Sartin**
Airport Authority

***Dakota Gentry**
City of Alcoa

***Tanner Charles**
KAT

***James Temple**
Sevier County

***Patrick Berge**
City of Oak Ridge

***Laura Smith (proxy
for Rick Yakubic)**
ETDD

***Troy Ebbert**
TDOT Region 1

***Beth Collins**
Lenoir City

***Larry Gann**
City of Clinton

***Jim Snowden**
Knox County

TPO Staff

Partner Agency Staff

Members of the Public

*** Voting Members**

2. Minutes

Approval of the August 8, 2023 Technical Committee Meeting Minutes

Approved 15-0-0

*A motion was made by Mr. Blake Sartin to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2023, Technical Committee Meeting.
The motion was seconded by Mr. Jim Snowden. The motion carried unanimously, 15-0.*

Mr. Tom Clabo arrived at 9:05 a.m.

3. **Transportation Planning Work Program Amendment***

The City of Loudon has requested planning funds to prepare a Major Thoroughfare Plan and Master Transportation Plan covering all transportation modes. The City has requested \$106,250 of TPO Planning funds and will match with \$18,750 local funds. Staff recommends approval.

Attachment #3



Discussion

Mr. Doug Burton, TPO Staff, reviewed the proposed amendment to the Transportation Planning Work Program to provide planning funds to the City of Loudon for their upcoming Major Thoroughfare Plan and Master Transportation Plan.

Approved 16-0-0

A motion was made by Mr. Jim Snowden and seconded by Ms. Beth Collins to recommend approval of the amendment to the Transportation Planning Work Program to fund a planning study for the City of Loudon to the Executive Board. The motion carried unanimously, 16-0.

4. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Cost Overrun*

The City of Maryville is requesting approval for a cost overrun for their Carpenters Grade Road widening and intersection improvement project. The overrun exceeds the limits established in the TIP programming policies established with the FY 23-26 TIP. Technical Committee approval is required for cost overruns in excess of 25% of the total project costs, or increasing TPO federal funds in excess of \$500,000. The requested increase in L-SBTG funds is \$3,660,000 (\$2,928,000 federal/\$732,000 local) and represents 57.8% of the initial total project cost. The current TIP page is included as an attachment.

Attachment #4

Discussion

Mr. Craig Luebke, TPO Staff, and Brian Boone, City of Maryville, reviewed the City of Maryville's cost overrun for their Carpenters Grade Road widening and intersection improvement project.

Approved 16-0-0

A motion was made by Mr. Troy Ebbert and seconded by Mr. Tom Clabo to approve the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Cost Overrun. The motion passed unanimously, 16-0.

5. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment*

Locally requested amendment for one (1) air quality exempt project. The amendment increases construction funding for Maryville Carpenters Grade Road Widening and Intersection Improvements project in FY 2024.

Attachment #5

Discussion

Craig Luebke, TPO Staff, presented the amendment one (1) air quality exempt project, which increases construction funding for Maryville Carpenters Grade Road Widening and Intersection Improvements project in FY 2024.

Approved 16-0-0

A motion was made by Mr. Jack Qualls and seconded by Mr. Rich DeGroseilliers to recommend approval of the Resolution Adopting an Amendment to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Certifying that the Metropolitan Planning Process is Being Followed to the Executive Board.

6. 2020 Census Adjusted Urbanized Area and Metropolitan Planning Area Boundaries Update



TPO staff have prepared draft boundaries for both the adjusted (smoothed) Census Urban Area as well as the new Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) and have been meeting with local jurisdictions to review. These boundaries are also currently under review by TDOT and FHWA. An overview of the process used to derive the boundaries will be provided as this effort moves forward for possible formal adoption by the end of the calendar year.

Discussion

Mr. Luebke, TPO Staff, gave an overview of the draft boundaries for both the adjusted Census Urban Area and the new Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) and discussed the next steps towards adopting the new boundaries in December.

7. **TDOT Transportation Funding Database Overview**

TDOT OCT staff have created a comprehensive interactive database tool for local communities and others to use for identifying potential funding sources for a variety of transportation projects ranging from sidewalks to planning studies and even major road improvement projects. An overview and demo of the tool will be provided.

Discussion

Mr. Troy Ebbert, TDOT Region 1 Staff, gave an overview and a live demonstration of TDOT's new online funding database.

8. **TDOT and FHWA Updates**

TDOT and FHWA Staff will provide updates.

Discussion

Mr. Ebbert gave an update on ongoing local projects and staff changes at TDOT.

9. **Other Business**

Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, October 25, 2023, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building

TPO Technical Committee Meeting Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 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 limit for each person.

11. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

