



Minutes

9:00 AM | Main Assembly
400 Main St, Knoxville

1. Call to Order

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

- a. Determination of a Quorum
- b. Introduction of Participants
- c. Introduction of Zoom Participants
- d. Amendments to the Agenda

<p>*Amy Brooks Knoxville-Knox County Planning</p> <p>*Blake Sartin Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority</p> <p>*Brian Boone City of Maryville</p> <p>*Chico Messer Blount County</p> <p>*Darryl Smith Town of Farragut</p>	<p>*Danielle Myers (proxy for DeAnna Flinchum) Knoxville Commuter Pool</p> <p>*Tom Clabo City of Knoxville</p> <p>*Jack Qualls City of Loudon and Loudon County</p> <p>*James Temple Sevier County</p> <p>*Jim Snowdon Knox County</p>	<p>*Karen Estes (proxy for Barbara Kelly) Community Action Committee</p> <p>*Kathryn Baldwin Anderson County</p> <p>*Dakota Gentry City of Alcoa</p> <p>*Troy Ebbert Tennessee Department of Transportation</p>	<p>*Laura Smith (proxy for Rick Yukubic) East Tennessee Development District</p> <p>*Roger Flynn City of Oak Ridge</p> <p>TPO Staff</p> <p>Partner Agency Staff</p> <p>*Voting Members</p>
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2. Minutes*

Approved 16-0-0

Mr. Messer moved to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2025 meeting. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.



3. **FTA Urban Area Transit Program of Projects ***

The Program of Projects (POP) is a list of projects, for each agency, to be funded with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307, 5310, and 5339 funding. FTA requires a public hearing on the POP. The POP public hearing will be held as part of the September 24, 2025, Executive Board meeting. Staff will update the Technical Committee on the FY25 FTA apportionments and the local distribution of funds. Because the TIP already has the 5307 and 5339 funding approved, the new funds and projects will be added to the TIP through internal modifications.

Attachment #3A: Memorandum from City of Knoxville Mayor Kincannon on Section 5307/5339 Funding Distribution

Attachment #3B: FFY 2025 Program of Projects for FTA Section 5307, 5310, and 5339 Funding

Discussion

Mr. Burton gave an overview of the FTA Urban Area Transit Program of Projects.

Approved 16-0-0

Ms. Baldwin moved to recommend approval of the FTA Urban Area Transit Program of Projects to the Executive Board. Mr. Messer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. **Section 5310 Program of Projects ***

Knoxville-Knox County CAC is the designated recipient of the FTA Section 5310 funds. Section 5310 funds can be used for both operating and capital projects that support seniors and persons with disabilities. To assist CAC, the TPO held an open and publicly advertised call-for-projects. The attached Program-of-Projects show the recommendations for funding. Even though CAC now oversees the grant process with FTA, the TPO must still adopt the projects into the TIP. Because the TIP already has the Section 5310 funding approved, the new projects will be added to the TIP through internal modifications.

Attachment #4A: Draft FTA Section 5310 FFY 2024 & 2025 Program of Projects Table

Discussion

Mr. Bird reviewed the Section 5310 Program of Projects.

Approved 16-0-0

Ms. Baldwin moved to recommend approval of the Section 5310 Program of Projects to the Executive Board. Mr. Messer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.



5. **Pellissippi Parkway Extension Statewide Partnership Program ***

An application for the 2024 TDOT Statewide Partnership Program (SPP) was submitted by the City of Alcoa as well as on behalf of Blount County and the City of Maryville to request that the Pellissippi Parkway (SR-162) Extension project be accelerated. The application proposed the use of a combination of local funds, property donations and TPO regional Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds to be able to start the right-of-way phase sooner than the projected TDOT 10-Year Plan timeframe of 2032. TDOT announced an SPP award to approve this approach on April 7, 2025, which will require a modification to the current TPO FY2023-2026 TIP to allocate funding. Due to this being a new allocation of regional STBG funds, the funding addition and associated TIP modification are being presented for approval to the overall TPO for information and transparency.

City of Alcoa Pellissippi Parkway Extension: New request is \$10,000,000 federal STBG-L

Attachment #5A: 23-2014-025 Draft TIP Modification

Attachment #5B: STBG-L Cost Overrun Summary Table

Discussion

Mr. Luebke and Bruce Applegate, City of Alcoa Staff, provided an overview of the proposed Pellissippi Parkway Extension Statewide Partnership Program.

Approved 16-0-0

Mr. Messer moved to recommend approval of the Pellissippi Parkway Extension Statewide Partnership Program STBG Funding Allocation to the Executive Board. Mr. Boone seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **Draft FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program***

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is updated on a 3-year cycle. The new TIP covers fiscal years 2026-2029 and will supersede the current FY 2023-2026 TIP. The preliminary draft TIP has been submitted to TDOT for a 30-business day review. TDOT and subsequent federal review comments will be addressed in the final draft TIP.

Attachment #6A: Draft FY 2026-2029 TIP

Attachment #6B: Draft FY 2026-2029 TIP Appendices

Discussion

Mr. Luebke provided an update on the current TIP draft process.



7. **Regional Pavement Data Collection Project Update**

Eight Planning Area jurisdictions participate in the TPO Regional Pavement Data Collection project. Staff will provide an update on the status of the project, which supports pavement management efforts of local public agencies.

Discussion

Mr. Luebke updated the Committee with the status of TPO Regional Pavement Data Collection project.

8. **TDOT and FHWA Updates**

Discussion

Mr. Ebbert announced a webinar for the current planning grant cycle.

Mr. Ebbert thanked the TPO Staff for their hard work on the TIP.

Mary Connelly, Gresham Smith Staff, joined via Zoom to provide an update on the TDOT Long Range Plan.

9. **Other Business**

Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

TPO Technical Committee Meeting October 14, 2025, at 9 a.m. in the Main 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.

Discussion

There was no public comment.

11. **Adjournment**

Discussion

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

