



# Minutes

9:00 AM | 400 Main St SW  
Knoxville, TN 37902

## 1. Call to Order

- A. Determination of a Quorum
- B. Roll Call
- C. Introduction of Zoom Participants
- D. Amendments to the Agenda
- E. **List of Commonly Used Acronyms**

Vice-Chair Mayor Glenn Jacobs called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. The roll was called and it was determined there was a quorum.

<p><b>*Brian Boone</b> City of Alcoa, for Mayor Andy White</p> <p><b>*Larry Gann</b> City of Clinton, for Mayor Scott Burton</p> <p><b>*Matt Meservy</b> TDOT, Long Range Planning Director, for Governor Bill Lee</p>	<p><b>*Glenn Jacobs</b> Mayor, Knox County</p> <p><b>*Megan Brooks</b> City of Alcoa, for Mayor Tanya Martin</p> <p><b>*James Temple</b> Sevier County, for Mayor Larry Waters</p> <p><b>*Justin Biggs</b> ETDD</p>	<p><b>*Amber Scott-Kelso</b> Lenoir City, for Mayor Tony Aikens</p> <p><b>*Tom Clabo</b> City of Knoxville, for Mayor Indya Kincannon</p> <p><b>*Ron Williams</b> Mayor, Town of Farragut</p> <p><b>TPO Staff</b></p>	<p><b>Partner Agency Staff</b></p> <p><b>Members of the Public</b></p> <hr/> <p>*voting members</p> <p>**non-voting member</p> <p>***interested parties</p>
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## 2. Minutes

Approval of the May 24, 2023 TPO Executive Board Minutes

**Approved** 10-0-0

*A Motion was made by Mayor Williams and seconded by Ms. Scott-Kelso to approve the Minutes from the May 24, 2023 Meeting of the TPO Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously 10-0.*

## 3. **Transportation Planning Work Program\***

There are two amendments for the Fiscal Year 22-23 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP). The first amendment adds specific language concerning the TPOu2019s intention to hire a consultant to assist in preparing the Mobility Plan 2050. The funding to hire the consultant had already been included, but based on a TDOT recommendation additional task-related language needs to be added in order to be approved to hire a consultant. The second amendment is in response to Knoxville Area Transit and the City of Knoxville receiving a Federal Transit Administration - Areas of Persistent Poverty Program grant. This amendment will add the project and funding into the TPWP. **Attachment #3A-3C**



**Discussion**

Jeff Welch, TPO Director, reviewed the two amendments for the FY 2022-2023 Transportation Planning Work Program.

**Approved** 10-0-0

*A Motion was made by Mayor Williams and seconded by Trustee Biggs to approve the amendments to the FY 2022-2023 Transportation Planning Work Program. The motion carried unanimously.*

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#### 4. **FTA Section 5310 Program of Projects\***

The TPO is the designated recipient of the Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 funds. Section 5310 funds can be used for both operating and capital projects that support seniors and/or persons with disabilities. Often non-profits utilize this funding to buy vans to provide transportation for their clients. The TPO held an open and publicly advertised Call-for-Projects. A sub-committee of the Technical Committee reviewed the applications and developed a slate of draft projects for funding consideration. The attached draft Program-of-Projects and funding table show the sub-committee's 2019s recommendations. Project applications can be viewed online. **Attachment #4A-4B**

**Discussion**

Doug Burton, TPO Staff, reviewed the FTA Section 5310 Program of Projects,

**Approved** 10-0-0

*A Motion was made by Mayor Williams and seconded by Mr. Clabo to approve the FTA Section 5310 Program of Projects. The motion carried unanimously.*

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#### 5. **Regional Roadway Safety Action Plan**

Staff will present highlights of the Regional Roadway Safety Action Plan, which is the basis for applications for Safe Streets and Roads for All that the TPO and City of Knoxville will be submitting in July. The Plan can be found online here: <https://knoxtpo.org/safety>.

**Discussion**

Ellen Zavisca, TPO Staff, presented the Regional Roadway Safety Action Plan to the Board.

**Approved** 10-0-0

*A Motion was made by Mayor Williams and seconded by Trustee Biggs to approve the Regional Roadway Safety Action Plan. The motion carried unanimously.*

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#### 6. **FY 2023-2026 TIP \***

Locally requested amendments for two (2) air quality exempt projects. The first amendment adds the Oak Ridge Signal Timing Optimization Ph. 2 for construction in FY 2023. The second amendment adds a local Travel Congestion and Clean Air Improvement Grouping to the TIP. The grouping contains funding for two projects in FY 2023.

**Attachment #6A-6D****Discussion**

Craig Luebke, TPO Staff, reviewed the two amendments to the FY 2023-2026 TIP and certified that the Metropolitan Planning Process is being followed.

**Approved** 10-0-0

*A Motion was made by Ms. Scott-Kelso and seconded by Mayor Williams to approve the resolution adopting amendments to the FY 2023-2026 TIP and certifying the Metropolitan Planning Process is being followed. The motion carried unanimously.*



Trustee Biggs left the meeting at 9:27 a.m.

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## 7. **Transportation Modernization Act**

TDOT will update the Executive Board on the Transportation Modernization Act that was signed into law by Gov. Bill Lee in April.

### **Discussion**

Matt Meservy, TDOT Staff, updated the Board on the Transportation Modernization Act and the the Statewide Partnership Program.

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## 8. **TDOT FY 2024–2026 3-Year Program Update**

The FY 2024–2026 TDOT 3-Year Program was adopted by the State Legislature in April and includes the phases of major roadway projects to be funded statewide. TDOT project development staff will provide an overview of the projects included for the Knoxville Region in relation to the project rankings that were provided by the TPO late last year.

### **Discussion**

Dexter Justis, TDOT Staff, gave an overview of projects in the Knoxville region included in the 3-Year Program.

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## 9. **TDOT and FHWA Updates**

TDOT and FHWA staff will provide updates.

### **Discussion**

Randy Busler, TDOT Staff, provided an update on repaving projects in the Knoxville Region.

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## 10. **Other Business**

The next Technical Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City-County Building.

The next Executive Board meeting will be held on July 26, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City-County Building

The Knoxville Regional TPO has engaged a national executive search firm to find a new TPO Director to replace retiring Director Jeff Welch. Mr. Welch is retiring at the end of August. A new Director is expected to in place by October or November.

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## 11. **Public Comment**

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

### **Discussion**

There was no public comment.

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## 12. **Adjournment**

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Vice-Chair Mayor Glenn Jacobs at 9:53 a.m.



