November 20, 2024 TPO Executive Board





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

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:12 a.m. A quorum was not present at the start of the meeting. Items #2 and #3 were deferred until Ms. Downs arrived at 9:19 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

***Terry Frank, Chair** Mayor, Anderson County

***Tom Clabo** (for Mayor Indya Kincannon) City of Knoxville

***Ron Williams** Mayor, Town of Farragut *Amber Scott Kelso (for Mayor Tony Aikens) Lenoir City

***James Temple** (for Mayor Larry Waters) Sevier County

*Megan Brooks City of Alcoa (for Mayor Tanya Martin) ***Troy Ebbert** State of Tennessee (for Governor Bill Lee)

***Don Walker** Blount County (for Mayor Ed Mitchell)

***Pat Downs** (for Isaac Thorne) Knoxville Area Transit *Brian Boone Maryville (for Mayor Andy White)

TPO Staff Partner Agency Staff *Voting member

2. Minutes

This item was initially skipped and recalled after Ms. Downs arrived at 9:19. **Approved** 10-0-0

Mayor Williams moved to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2024 meeting as presented. Ms. Scott-Kelso seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.



3. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments*

TDOT requested an amendment for the I-75 at Emory Road (SR-131) Interchange project. The proposed amendment increases the construction phase and total project cost. The project schedule is also revised to move construction from FY 2024 to FY 2025. The construction phase is increased from \$10,100,000 to \$33,325,000 NHPP (\$26,660,000 federal/\$6,665,000 state) and the total project cost is increased to \$35,725,000.

The City of Knoxville requested an amendment to add the Urban Wilderness Gateway Park project to the TIP. The proposed amendment adds the project for PE-N in FY 2025 and PE-D in FY 2026. PE-N is estimated at \$300,000 (100% federal Reconnecting Communities [RCN]). PE-D is estimated at \$2,000,000 (100% federal Reconnecting Communities [RCN]). This amendment adds \$2,300,000 (\$2,300,000 federal RCN/\$0 local) to the TIP. The total project cost is \$25,000,000.

Attachment #3A: 23-2020-011 Draft Amendment

Attachment #3B: 23-2023-001 Draft Amendment

Attachment #3C: Draft TIP Amendment Resolution

Attachment #3D: Draft TIP Metropolitan Planning Process Self-Certification

Technical Committee recommends approval, 17-0.

Discussion

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Mr. Leubke reviewed the proposed amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program. **Approved** 10-0-0

Mayor Williams moved to approve the resolution adopting TDOT and City of Knoxville requested amendments for two air quality exempt projects and certifying that the Metropolitan Planning Process is being followed. Mr. Clabo seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. CMAQ Program Update*

Staff will provide an update on TDOTs CMAQ programming policy revision and CMAQ PM 2.5 funding available for FY 2025 obligations.

Attachment #4: TDOT CMAQ Process Implementation Notice

Discussion

Mr. Leubke provided updates on the CMAQ program.

5. PM2.5 Air Quality Standard Update*

Staff will give an update on the recently revised EPA PM2.5 air quality standard and potential impacts.

Attachment #5: EPA 2024 PM2.5 Standard Designations Timeline

Discussion

Mr. Conger provided updates to the PM2.5 Air Quality Standard.



6. Mobility Plan 2050 Update*

An update and discussion of next steps related to the TPOs long-range transportation plan update.

Discussion

Mr. Tresohlavy provided an update on the Mobility Plan 2050 update process.

7. Other Business*

Stacy Morrison, TDOT, provided updates on the 10 Year Plan.

Troy Ebbert, TDOT, provided an update on the 3 Year Safety Plan.

Mr. Leubke reviewed the Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan reporting requirements from TDOT.

Doug Bruton, TPO Coordinatior, reminded the Board of deadlines for the Protect and Raise Grants.

Mr. Burton announced three SS4A (Safe Streets for All) Grants that were awarded in our area: Knox County, Alcoa, and Friendsville.

TPO Technical Committee Meeting December 10, 2024, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, December 18, 2024, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

See attachment for list of Technical Committee and Executive Board meeting dates for 2025.

8. Public Comment

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

Discussion

There was no public comment.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

