April 30, 2025 TPO Executive Board



Minutes

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

# 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

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

**\*Glenn Jacobs** Mayor, Knox County (Chair)

**\*Indya Kincannon** Mayor, City of Knoxville (Vice-Chair)

**\*Jack Qualls** City of Loudon (for Mayor Jeff Harris)

\*Megan Brooks City of Alcoa (for Mayor Tanya Martin)

\***Billy Pickel** Loudon County (for Mayor Rollen Bradshaw) \*Larry Gann City of Clinton (for Mayor Scott Burton)

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

\*Ron Williams Mayor, Town of Farragut

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

# **\*Troy Ebbert** State of Tennessee

(for Governor Bill Lee) **\*Brian Boone** Maryville (for Mayor Andy White)

**\*Isaac Thorne** Director, Knoxville Area Transit

\*Andrew Roberto Councilman, City of Knoxville (for Vice-Mayor Tommy Smith)

\*Gina Oster Chair, Knox County Commission

\*Kathryn Baldwin

Anderson County (for Mayor Terry Frank)

#### TPO Staff

Partner Agency Staff

\*Voting member

#### 2. Minutes

#### Approved 15-0-0

*Mayor Williams moved to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2025 meeting as presented. Mayor Kincannon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.* 



# 3. Mobility Plan 2050 and Air Quality Conformity Report\*

The Mobility Plan 2050 sets the overall vision and identifies specific investments for the regional transportation system over the next 20+ years. An air quality conformity determination was prepared to demonstrate that the implementation of the proposed projects included in the Plan will conform to requirements from the Clean Air Act. The required public comment period on the Plan ended April 22, 2025.

The Board will solicit public comment before voting on this item.

# **Attachment 3:** Resolution Adopting the Mobility Plan 2050 and Air Quality Conformity Determination Report

Link: Draft Mobility Plan 2050

# Link: Draft Air Quality Conformity Determination Report

Technical Committee unanimously recommends approval.

# Discussion

Mr. Conger presented the draft Mobility Plan 2050 to the Committee.

# Approved 15-0-0

*Mayor Williams moved to adopt the Mobility Plan 2050 and the Air Quality Conformity Report. Mr. Ebbert seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.* 



# 4. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments\*

TDOT and locally requested amendments for nine (9) air quality non-exempt and two (2) air quality exempt projects. Ten (10) of the proposed amendments are to bring the TIP into alignment with the project descriptions, project horizons, and funded list of projects contained in the Draft Mobility Plan 2050.

The City of Knoxville requested an amendment for the existing Traffic Control Equipment Upgrade project. The amendment revises the project termini and schedule, and increases PE-N, PE-D and ROW costs. The construction phase is removed, and the total project cost is reduced. The Kingston Pike corridor termini are revised to from Metron Center Way/University Commons to Huxley Road. The Broadway corridor termini are revised to from Worlds Fair Park Drive/Oak Ave./Jackson Avenue to Colonial Circle. PE-N is programmed in FY 2025 at an additional cost of \$44,200 (\$44,200 federal CMAQ). PE-D is programmed in FY 2025 at an additional cost of \$437,225 (\$437,225 federal CMAQ). ROW is programmed in FY 2025 at an additional cost of \$440,000 (\$440,000 federal CMAQ). The additional CMAQ is new CMAQ PM2.5 funding and in addition to the original CMAQ award. This amendment removes \$9,119,575 (-\$8,966,000 federal CMAQ/+\$921,425 federal CMAQ PM2.5/-\$812,000 federal CRP/-\$263,000 local) from the project and the TIP. The total project cost is reduced to \$3,046,425.

The remaining ten (10) amendments for TDOT (8) and locally sponsored (2) projects are to bring the TIP into alignment with the Draft Mobility Plan 2050.

Attachment #4A - 4K: Draft TIP Amendments

Attachment #4L: Draft TIP Amendment Resolution

Attachment #4M: Draft Metropolitan Planning Process Self-Certification

Technical Committee unanimously recommends approval.

# Discussion

Mr. Leubke reviews the requested amendments to the TIP.

## Approved 15-0-0

*Mayor Williams moved to approve the amendments to the TIP as presented. Mayor Kincannon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.* 

# 5. FY2026 – 2029 Transportation Improvement Program Update

An overview of current project roll-over and new project applications received for the next TIP period will be provided by staff.

# Discussion

Mr. Leubke provided an overview of current project roll-over and new project applications received for the next TIP period.



# 6. TDOT 10-Year Plan Update

TDOT unveiled its second 10-Year Fiscally Constrained Project Plan on April 7, 2025. TDOT staff will give a brief update on the 10-Year Plan as it relates to the Knoxville Metropolitan Planning Area.

## Link: Build With Us Website

# Discussion

Dexter Justus, TDOT Staff, gave a presentation on the update to the 10-Year Plan.

# 7. TDOT and FHWA Updates

# Discussion

Mr. Burton announced that the current round of FHWA SS4A grant applications are due June 26, 2025.

## 8. Other Business

TPO Technical Committee Meeting May 13, 2025, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, May 28, 2025, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

## 9. 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.

## 10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

