



# Minutes

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

## 1. Call to Order

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

- Determination of a Quorum
- Introduction of Participants
- Introduction of Zoom Participants
- Amendments to the Agenda

<b>*Glenn Jacobs</b> Mayor, Knox County (Chair)	<b>*Jeff Harris</b> Mayor, City of Loudon	<b>*Brian Boone</b> City of Maryville (for Mayor Andy White)	<b>*Billy Pickel</b> (for Mayor Rollen Bradshaw) Loudon County
<b>*Indya Kincannon</b> Mayor, City of Knoxville (Vice- Chair)	<b>*Ron Williams</b> Mayor, Town of Farragut	<b>*Don Walker</b> Blount County (for Mayor Ed Mitchell)	<b>*Isaac Thorne</b> Director, Knoxville Area Transit
<b>*Kathryn Baldwin</b> (for Mayor Terry Frank) Anderson County	<b>*James Temple</b> (for Mayor Larry Waters) Sevier County	<b>*Andrew Roberto</b> (for Vice- Mayor Tommy Smith) Councilman, City of Knoxville	<b>TPO Staff</b>  <b>Partner Agency Staff</b>  <b>*Voting member</b>
<b>*Troy Ebbert</b> State of Tennessee (for Governor Bill Lee)			

## 2. Minutes\*

**Approved** 12-0-0

*Mayor Williams moved to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2025 meeting. Mayor Kincannon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*



### 3. **FY 2026-2027 Transportation Planning Work Program Amendment – Knox-Blount Greenway Connectivity Study\***

Knox County has requested planning funds to prepare a special Knox-Blount Greenway Connectivity and Mobility Study. The primary purpose of the planning study will be to identify potential options and alignments to connect a 0.5+mile gap in the greenway sections being constructed in conjunction with the Alcoa Highway widening project. Knox County has requested \$85,000 of TPO Planning funds and will match with \$15,000 local funds.

**Attachment #3A:** TPWP Planning Fund Request Summary and Preliminary Scope of Work

**Attachment #3B:** TPWP Amendment Tables

**Attachment #3C:** Draft Resolution

*Technical Committee recommends approval unanimously.*

#### **Discussion**

Mr. Burton reviewed the proposed amendment to the Transportation Planning Work Program.

**Approved** 12-0-0

*A motion was made by Mayor Williams and seconded by Mayor Kincannon to approve the proposed amendment to the Transportation Planning Work Program. The motion carried unanimously.*

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### 4. **Transportation Update - State of Tennessee**

As Chair of the Senate Transportation and Safety Committee, Senator Massey will provide an update on transportation issues, funding, and potential legislation impacting the State of Tennessee and the Knoxville Region.

#### **Discussion**

Senator Massey gave the Board an update on transportation issues, funding, and potential legislation impacting the State of Tennessee and the Knoxville Region.

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### 5. **Federal Surface Transportation Funding Reauthorization Update**

The current federal transportation funding bill known as the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA) will expire next year on 9/30/2026. There are efforts already underway by committees in the US House of Representatives to begin drafting base language for the next transportation bill. TPO staff will provide a brief overview of potential issues in the reauthorization process.

#### **Discussion**

Mr. Conger informed the Committee of the progress of the Federal Surface Transportation Funding Reauthorization.

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## 6. **Annual Listing of Obligated Projects for FY 2025\***

Each year the TPO is required to make available to the public a listing of all transportation related projects in which federal funds were obligated in the past fiscal year.

**Attachment #6:** 2025 Annual Obligated Projects Report

### **Discussion**

Mr. Luebke presented the annual listing of obligated projects for FY 2025.

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## 7. **TPO Interactive Crash Map & Bicycle/Pedestrian Crash Infographic\***

The TPO staff have updated the interactive online crash map on the TPO's website. An overview and brief demo will be provided by staff to show the features of the new map. Staff will also review the recently published bicycle and pedestrian crash data.

**Attachment #7:** Pedestrian and Bicycle Crash Overview

### **Discussion**

Ms. Jackson and Mr. Bird demonstrated the new Interactive Crash Map and Bicycle/Pedestrian Infographics for the Committee.

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## 8. **TDOT and FHWA Updates**

*Mayor Harris left the meeting at this time (10:07 a.m.).*

Matt Meservy, TDOT Staff:

Multi-modal and TAP grants announced soon.

I-40/I-75 Corridor Study public survey had a great response. Results are coming soon.

Long Range Plan is currently out for comments.

Troy Ebbert, TDOT Staff:

Planning Grants to be announced soon.

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## 9. **Other Business**

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

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

Kara Grayhouse of FHWA introduces herself as a point of contact for the region.

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## 10. **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.

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## 11. **Adjournment**

### **Discussion**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

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