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**TPO Technical Committee  
September 8, 2009  
9 a.m.  
Small Assembly Room  
City/County Building  
Knoxville, Tennessee**

**AGENDA**

**Determination of Quorum**

**5 min.**

**1. Approval of August 11, 2009, Minutes**

Action     Possible Action     Discussion     Information

**Presenter:** John Lamb, Chair

**Item Summary:** Approval of August 11, 2009, TPO Technical Committee minutes.

**Attachment #1 – August 11, 2009, minutes.**

**5 min.**

**2. Recommend Approval of Amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Action     Possible Action     Discussion     Information

**Presenter:** TPO Staff

**Item Summary:**

**a. Add TIP Project #2008-147 (Knoxville South Waterfront Riverwalk: Shoals Promenade) with \$534,461 in Federal Transportation Enhancement dollars and \$133,615 in a local match. Attachment #2 – press release.**

**b. Amend TIP Project #2008-021 (I-275 Business Park) with a new project description of “Access improvements to the I-275 Business Park in Knoxville.” Also amend funding: FY2010 PE-NEPA (\$400,000 Federal/\$100,000 local), PE-Design (\$350,000 Federal/\$87,500 local); FY2011 ROW, Construction (\$3,749,500 Federal/\$937,375 local). The total project cost is \$4,499,500 Federal/\$1,124,875 local, and the Federal share is funded through HPP#4948 (TN220).**

- 10 min. 3. Recommendation of Projects to be Funded with Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Funds**  
 Action     Possible Action     Discussion     Information  
**Presenter:** TPO Staff  
**Item Summary:** Staff has evaluated and ranked the applications that were received for possible CMAQ funding. Staff estimates the CMAQ funds available are in the range of \$2.5 to \$2.8 million. A more accurate number will be provided at the meeting. **Attachment #3 – CMAQ DRAFT funding recommendation.**
- 5 min. 4. Functional Classification System Update**  
 Action     Possible Action     Discussion     Information  
**Presenter:** TPO Staff  
**Item Summary:** The TPO staff reviewed the listing of proposed roadway functional classification changes with TDOT, and the finalized list will need to be recommended for approval by the Executive Board. **Attachment #4 – Draft Resolution Adopting List of Roadway Functional Classification Changes in Knoxville Urban Area.**
- 5 min. 5. Review of TPO Priority Project list to be submitted to TDOT**  
 Action     Possible Action     Discussion     Information  
**Presenter:** TPO Staff  
Annually the TPO sponsors a meeting with our State legislators and TDOT Administration to discuss our major transportation issues. Staff will plan for such an event if the TPO Technical Committee and Board feel that the event is beneficial.  
**Background:** **Attachment #5a** and **#5b** reflect what was approved by the TPO last year and submitted to TDOT.
- 5 min. 6. RTA Legislation**  
 Action     Possible Action     Discussion     Information  
**Presenter:** TPO Staff  
**Item Summary:** The state legislature passed and the Governor signed into law legislation related to the creation of regional transportation authorities. A summary of the legislation is attached. **Attachment #6.**
- 5 min. 7. Update on Federal Rescission of \$190 million from TDOT and MPO's**  
 Action     Possible Action     Discussion     Information  
**Presenter:** TPO Staff  
**Item Summary:** On September 30, 2009, by law, the Federal Highway Administration will reduce the federal contract authority the states use to build-multi-year projects by \$8.7 Billion. If this law is not repealed when congress returns in September, Tennessee will lose approximately \$190 million. This cut will include all highway programs including urban area STP funds.

**15 min.**

**8. Overview of Travel Demand Model**

Action     Possible Action     Discussion     Information

**Presenter:** TPO Staff and Consultant

**Item Summary:** A consultant has completed a major update of the TPO's travel demand forecasting model, which is used to help determine future transportation system performance and deficiencies. An overview of the new model features and details regarding increased sensitivity to transportation policies will be provided.

**5 min.**

**9. Other Business**

- **TDOT Public Meeting regarding a study to identify improvements for the 160-mile I-75 corridor between Chattanooga and Jellico on September 14, from 6-8 p.m., at Farragut High School**
- **Technical Committee Meeting, October 13 at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building**
- **Executive Board Meeting, October 28 at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building**

**5 min.**

**10. Public Comment**

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

**11. Adjournment**