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TPO Technical Committee
May 8, 2012
9 a.m.
Small Assembly Room
City/County Building
Knoxville, Tennessee

AGENDA

Determination of Quorum

1. Approval of April 10, 2012 Minutes

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: Andrew Sonner, Chair

Item Summary: Approval of April 10, 2012 TPO Technical Committee Minutes.

Attachment #1 - April 10, 2012 Minutes

2. Recommended Approval of Amendments to the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: The following Amendments to the TIP were requested by our state or local governments and staff recommends approval.

a. Amend TIP Project 2011-081 (Tazewell Pk and Emory Rd Intersection Improvements). Amend the project by adding FY2013 STP funds for CON in the amount of \$2,200,000 total (\$1,760,000 federal and \$440,000 state).

Attachment #2a - TIP Project 2011-081

b. Add TIP Project 2011-085 (Knoxville Smartway ITS Expansion). Amend the project by adding FY2013 IM funds for CON in the amount of \$3,576,700 total (\$3,219,030 federal and \$357,670 state).

Attachment #2b - TIP Project 2011-085

c. Add TIP Project 2011-086 (Knoxville Smartway ITS Communications Upgrade). Amend the project by adding FY2013 IM funds for CON in the amount of \$1,500,000 total (\$1,350,000 federal and \$150,000 state).

Attachment #2c - TIP Project 2011-086

3. Consider an Amendment to the Bylaws of the Technical Committee and Executive Board to Add a Voting Member From the City of Oak Ridge

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Metropolitan Planning Area expansion to include the City of Oak Ridge was approved by the Executive Board and concurred with by the Governor. Now that the City of Oak

Ridge is within the TPO's Metropolitan Planning Area and the new 2010 urbanized area they are eligible to become a voting member of the Technical Committee and the Executive Board. The Technical Committee will consider an amendment to the bylaws to add the City of Oak Ridge as a voting member. As required by the bylaws this amendment has been listed as an agenda item and discussed at a previous meeting. The Technical Committee will also review and if appropriate make a recommendation to the Executive Board that they amend their bylaws to include the City of Oak Ridge as a voting member.

- a. Motion to Amend the Bylaws of the Technical Committee to Include the City of Oak Ridge as a Voting Member.

Attachment #3a – Draft Technical Committee Bylaws

- b. Motion to Recommend to the Executive Board Approval of the Amended Executive Board Bylaws to include Oak Ridge as Voting Member

Attachment #3b – Draft Executive Board Bylaws

4. Motion to Recommend to the Executive Board Approval of the Revised Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Related to Regional Conformity Analysis and Regional Modeling

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: This MOA addresses the roles and responsibilities of the TPO, TDOT, and the Lakeway MTPO for completing the requirements to demonstrate transportation conformity of transportation plans and programs for the entire air quality nonattainment areas covering the Knoxville Region. The MOA was originally adopted in 2004 and is now being updated to include the most current information regarding the nonattainment status for both Ozone and PM2.5. Also, the MOA addresses the expansion of the TPO's travel demand model to now encompass the entire Lakeway MTPO Metropolitan Planning Area. The signatories of the updated MOA will be the TPO Executive Board Chair, the Lakeway MTPO Executive Board Chair, and the TDOT Commissioner.

Attachment #4 –Draft Memorandum of Agreement

5. Regional Mobility Plan Updates

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Staff continues to move forward with efforts to update the Regional Mobility Plan. Staff has developed a draft Project Application form for review and discussion (Attachment #5). Staff would also like to begin initial discussions on financial assumptions that should be used in the fiscal constraint analysis portion of the Mobility Plan. The assumptions used in the previous 2009-2034 Regional Mobility Plan were to increase revenues 3% per year and increase project costs 3.6% per year from the base year of 2009 to the year of construction.

Attachment #5 - Draft Project Application

6. Review of Surface Transportation Program (STP) Funds Available to the Knoxville TPO

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Historically the TPO receives approximately \$8 Million of federal STP funds annually. As of April 10, 2012, there is a balance of approximately \$39 million for our urban area. The TPO has programmed projects in the TIP over the next 3 years to help spend down this balance. However projects are taking a long time to move forward to the ROW and construction phases where significant money is obligated. FHWA and TDOT are very concerned about the high balance that we and other TPO's across the state are carrying and are strongly encouraging that these STP funds be obligated quickly.

Attachment #6a – Federal Funding to MPO's

Attachment #6b - Summary of Local STP Programmed Funds FY 2011-2014 for the TPO

Attachment #6c - Table with Breakdown of Projects and Funding by Jurisdictions

7. Call for Studies for FY 2013 & FY 2014 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP)

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Discussion and update on the draft FY 2013 & FY 2014 Transportation Planning Work Program

8. Update on PlanET Process and Upcoming Meetings

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: The second round of six regional forums was held during the week of April 23rd. Staff will briefly review the issues that arose from these forums and the next steps.

9. Other Business

Technical Committee 2010 Urbanized Area Workshop on Urbanized Area Boundaries
Federal Legislation Update
TDOT Update
Executive Board Meeting, Wednesday, May 23, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building
Technical Committee Meeting, June 12, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building

10. Public comment

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

11. Adjournment