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TPO Technical Committee
March 12, 2013
9 a.m.
Small Assembly Room
City/County Building
Knoxville, Tennessee

AGENDA

Determination of Quorum

1. Approval of January 15, 2013 Minutes

Action Possible Action Discussion

Presenter: Cindy Pionke, Vice Chair

Item Summary: Approval of January 15, 2013 TPO Technical Committee Minutes.

Attachment #1 – January 15, 2013 Minutes

2. Election of Officers

Action Possible Action Discussion

Presenter: Cindy Pionke, Vice Chair

Item Summary: Leslie Johnson is no longer employed by the City of Lenoir City. She was elected Chair of the Technical Committee meeting in January. A new Chair needs to be elected. The term of office shall be for one year. Any officer is eligible to serve a maximum of two consecutive terms.

Attachment #2 – TPO Chairs and Vice Chairs from 1993 to present

3. Regional Mobility Plan Update

Action Possible Action Discussion

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: TPO staff will present an overview of the Draft 2040 Regional Mobility Plan and Air Quality Conformity. An updated Draft Mobility Plan, that reflects comments from TDOT, is available on the TPO website. On March 01, 2013, the Draft Plan was released for the federally required 30-day public comment period. This comment period will officially end on April 01, 2013. Print copies were distributed to 25 area libraries for review. Comments can be submitted to TPO staff by email (alan.huff@knoxtrans.org), by phone (865-215-2500), by fax (865-215-2068), in person at TPO offices, during March or April Technical Committee or Executive Board meetings, via online survey (www.knoxtrans.org/mobilityplan), via paper survey, or by inviting TPO staff to present and hear comments at meetings of community organizations. Also of note, FHWA and FTA will conclude their review and submit comments to TPO staff by Monday, March 18, 2013. TPO staff will present a summary of changes that result from FHWA, FTA, and Public comment during the April Technical Committee meeting. Results from the analysis demonstrating air quality conformity of the draft Plan will be presented.

Attachment #3 – Updates to Three Mobility Plan Projects

4. Transportation Improvement Plan Schedule and Applications

Action Possible Action Discussion

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Development and approval of the Transportation Improvement Program will take several months. The attached time line indicates the major milestones that need to be met in order to have an approved TIP by the end of this year.

Attachment #4 - 2014-2017 TIP Timeline

5. Transportation Planning Work Program Timeline FY 2014

Action Possible Action Discussion

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Preparation of the 2014/2015 Transportation Planning Work Program must begin now in order to complete it by September 2013. Attached is the schedule that we must meet in order to complete the work program on time.

Attachment #5a – Transportation Planning Work Program FY 2014

Attachment #5b – Transportation Emphasis – Focus Areas

6. New Knoxville Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)

Action Possible Action Discussion

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has released the new MSA boundaries for regions across the country. Knoxville’s MSA area has grown from five counties to nine counties. The nine Knoxville MSA counties are: Anderson, Blount, Campbell, Grainger, Knox, Loudon, Morgan, Roane, and Union.

7. Regional Greenways Update

Action Possible Action Discussion

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: In concert with PlanET and the Great Smoky Mountains Regional Greenway Council, the TPO is assisting local governments with a regional conceptual greenway plan. Meetings were held with the public and stakeholders in four counties (Anderson, Blount, Loudon and Union) in November and December, and maps are being revised on consultation with the local governments.

8. TDOT Regional Transportation Planners

Action Possible Action Discussion

Presenter: TDOT Staff

Item Summary: TDOT has created Community Planner positions in each of the TDOT Regions. TDOT staff will provide an overview of the roles and responsibilities of these positions will have in the TPO process.

9. PlanET Update

Action Possible Action Discussion

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: An overview of where PlanET is at and where it is heading will be presented. PlanET has launched its third round of Community Involvement with small-group meetings and is also utilizing a new online input tool, Metroquest. Additional information as well as the link to this new online tool can be found by accessing the following link:

<http://www.planeastn.org/Newsroom/NewsArchive/ArticleView/ArticleId/47/How-We-Grow-Matters.aspx>

10. Other Business

- Federal Sequestration Update
- PlanET Working Groups, 5th Round: Cansler YMCA*

Monday, March 18th:

Transportation: 9 am – 11 am

Healthy Communities: 1 pm – 3 pm

Tuesday, March 19th:

Environment: 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Housing and Neighborhoods: 1 pm – 3 pm

*Economy and Workforce Working Group meeting time and place will be announced at a later date.

- Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, March 27, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building
- Technical Committee Meeting **Tuesday, April 16**, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building. *Please note the date change.*

11. Public comment

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

12. Adjournment