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## **TPO Technical Committee**

**May 13, 2014**

**9 a.m.**

**Small Assembly Room  
City/County Building  
Knoxville, Tennessee**

## **AGENDA**

### **Determination of Quorum**

**1. Approval of April 8, 2014 Minutes**

**Presenter: Cindy Pionke, Chair**

**Item Summary:** Approval of April 8, 2014 TPO Technical Committee Minutes.

**Attachment #1 - April 8, 2014 Minutes**

**2. Recommend Approval of Amendments to the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Air Quality Conformity Report for the TIP Amendment**

**Presenter: TPO Staff**

**Item Summary:** The following Amendment to the TIP was requested by TDOT. Staff recommends approval.

**Attachment #2A - Amendment 2014-018 (I-640, Broadway Interchange Modifications)** – Amend the project by adding FY 2014 NHPP funding for ROW in the amount of \$11,000,000 total (\$9,900,000 federal and \$1,100,000 state) for an amended FY 2014 total of \$13,100,000 total (\$11,790,000 federal and \$1,310,000 state). Add FY 2015 NHPP funding for construction in the amount of \$6,700,000 total (\$6,030,000 federal and \$670,000 state) for an amended FY 2015 total of \$15,200,000 total (\$13,680,000 federal and \$1,520,000 state). Amend the total project cost from \$15,200,000 to \$32,900,000.

**Attachment #2B - Short Conformity Report for May 2014 Knoxville Regional TPO TIP Amendment**

**3. Recommend Approval of a Functional Classification for Queener Road, in Loudon County, from Rural Minor Collector to Urban Minor Collector**

**Presenter: TPO Staff**

**Item Summary:** A request has been made by the City of Loudon, Loudon County to formally change the State Functional Classification of Queener Road between SR 72 and River Road (0.66 miles) from a Rural Minor Collector to an Urban Minor Collector. This roadway is now included in the Knoxville Adjusted Urbanized Area and therefore eligible for the change to urban status. The Urban Minor Collector status is necessary to obtain eligibility for federal Urban Surface Transportation Program (STP) funding that is already programmed in the FY 14-17 TIP for a proposed Queener Road improvement project.

**Attachment # 3 - Resolution for Changing State Functional Classification of Queener Road**

#### **4. Recommend Approval of Next Regional Greenway Study**

**Presenters: TPO Staff**

**Item Summary:** The Great Smoky Mountains Regional Greenway Council has requested that the next regional greenway study to undertake is to examine connections between existing greenways in West Knox County and West Knoxville to existing and planned greenways in Oak Ridge. The Council will provide the local match to the TPO's planning funds for a total study cost of \$50,000. The TPO will extend its contract with Equinox Environmental for planning services.

#### **5. PlanET Playbook**

**Presenter: TPO Staff**

**Item Summary:** An overview of the PlanET Playbook and other products that resulted from the PlanET process will be provided by staff. A thumb drive will be distributed that will have all of the PlanET documents.

#### **6. East Tennessee Index**

**Presenter: TPO Staff**

**Item Summary:** Staff will demonstrate the newly launched [etindex.org](http://etindex.org) website which contains a variety of data pertaining to the economy and quality of life in the region. This PlanET product contains charts, tables and maps at regional, county and municipal scales.

#### **7. Other Business**

- ETcompetes! Speaker series event featuring Jason Schupbach from the National Endowment of the Arts speaking on Creative PlaceMaking. May 14<sup>th</sup>. **Attachment #4 - Schupbach flyer**
- Executive Board Meeting Wednesday May 28, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.
- Full PlanET Board of Mayors Meeting Wednesday, May 28, immediately following the Executive Board meeting in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building (approximately 10:00 a.m.).
- Technical Committee Meeting Tuesday, June 10, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

#### **8. Public comment**

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

#### **9. Adjournment**