

# Minutes

9:00 AM | Small Assembly Room  
City County Building, 400 Main Street



## 1. Call to Order

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

A. Determination of a Quorum

B. Introductions

C. Introduction of Zoom Participants

D. Amendments to the Agenda

E. **List of Commonly Used Acronyms**

**\*Brian Boone**  
City of Maryville

**\*Chico Messer**  
Blount County

**\*Jack Qualls**  
City of Loudon/Loudon  
County

**\*Tom Clabo**  
City of Knoxville  
Engineering

**\*Steve Neilson**  
Lakeway MPO

**\*Amy Brooks**  
Knoxville-Knox County  
Planning

**\*Blake Sartin**  
Airport Authority

**\*Dakota Gentry**  
City of Alcoa

**\*Patrick Berge**  
City of Oak Ridge

**\*Laura Smith (proxy for  
Rick Yakubic)**  
ETDD

**\*Stacy Morrison**  
TDOT Region 1

**\*Jim Snowden**  
Knox County

**\*Kathryn Baldwin**  
Anderson County

**\*Beth Collins**  
Lenoir City

**\*Darryl Smith**  
Town of Farragut

**\*Mike Patterson**  
ETHRA

**\*Nancy Welch (proxy  
for Karen Estes)**  
CAC

**\*Tanner Charles**  
Knoxville Area Transit

**TPO Staff**

**Partner Agency Staff**

**Members of the Public**

\* Voting Members

## 2. Minutes\*

**Approved** 16-0-0

*Ms. Baldwin moved to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2024 Technical Committee Meeting. Mr. Clabo seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 16-0.*

*Ms. Collins and Mr. Berge arrived at 9:05 a.m.*

## 3. **FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments\***



TDOT requested amendments for two (2) air quality non-exempt projects. One amendment increases ROW funding and the total project cost for project ID 23-2017-037a (Edgemoor Road [SR-170]), from near Melton Lake Drive to SR-9 (US-25W, Clinton Highway). The second amendment adds TIP ID 23-20174-037b (Edgemoor Road [SR-170]), from near SR-62 to near Melton Lake Drive to the TIP for Design and ROW phases.

**Attachment #3A:** 23-2017-037a Draft Amendment

**Attachment #3B:** 23-2017-037b Draft Amendment

**Attachment #3C:** Draft TIP Amendment Resolution

**Attachment #3D:** Draft TIP Metropolitan Planning Process Self-Certification

**Discussion**

Mike Conger, TPO Staff, reviewed the requested TIP Amendments, the associated Air Quality Reform Report, and reiterated the Metropolitan Planning Process is being followed.

**Approved** 18-0-0

*Ms. Baldwin moved to recommend approval of a resolution adopting TDOT requested amendments for two (2) air quality non-exempt projects, associated Air Quality Conformity Report and certifying that the Metropolitan Planning Process is being followed to the Executive Board. Mr. Boone seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 18-0.*

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#### 4. **Mobility Plan 2050 Population Projections \***

One of the initial steps in developing the Mobility Plan update is to develop future year projections of population and employment for each county in the TPO Planning Area. Various sources of projections were reviewed by TPO staff and a recommendation will be presented to the Technical Committee for discussion and possible endorsement.

**Attachment #4:** Summary of Recommended Population and Employment Projections by County

**Discussion**

Mike Conger, TPO Staff, reviewed the Mobility Plan 2050 Population Projections.

**Approved** 18-0-0

*Mr. Snowden moved to recommend endorsement of Mobility Plan 2050 Population Projections to the Executive Board. Ms. Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 18-0.*

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#### 5. **Broadway Accelerated Bus Corridor Presentation**

City of Knoxville staff will provide an update on the status and evolution of the Broadway Accelerated Bus Corridor project in advance of a proposed future TIP amendment.

**Discussion**

Andrew Sonner, representing the consulting firm WSP, provided the Committee with an update on changes to the Broadway Accelerated Corridor project and discussed the potential for a future TIP amendment.

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#### 6. **TDOT's 10-Year Project Plan (TPO Member Updates)**

TDOT unveiled its first-ever 10-Year Fiscally Constrained Project Plan on December 18, 2023. TDOT staff have been meeting individually with TPO jurisdictions. This agenda item is to allow any TPO member to give updates on how those meetings went and whether there are any lingering issues the TPO should work towards addressing.

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#### 7. **TDOT and FHWA Updates**



TDOT and FHWA Staff will provide updates.

**Discussion**

Stacy Morrison and William Rogers, TDOT Staff, updated the Committee on four recently awarded planning grants in the region and notified the Committee that applications for the Traffic Signal Modernization Program are now open.

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**8. Other Business**

Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

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TPO Technical Committee Meeting Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

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**9. Public Comment**

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

**Discussion**

There was no public comment.

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**10. Adjournment**

**Discussion**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

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