

Minutes

9:00 AM | Small Assembly
400 Main St, Knoxville

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

- Determination of a Quorum
- Introduction of Participants
- Introduction of Zoom Participants
- Amendments to the Agenda

*Amy Brooks Knoxville-Knox County Planning	*Tom Clabo City of Knoxville	*Kathryn Baldwin Anderson County	*Laura Smith (proxy for Rick Yukubic) East Tennessee Development District
*Blake Sartin Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority	*Jack Qualls City of Loudon and Loudon County	*Larry Gann City of Clinton	*Roger Flynn City of Oak Ridge
*Brian Boone City of Maryville	*Pat Downs Knoxville Area Transit	*Dakota Gentry City of Alcoa	TPO Staff
*Don Walker Blount County	*Nancy Welch (proxy for Barbara Kelly) Community Action Committee	*Troy Ebbert Tennessee Department of Transportation	Partner Agency Staff
*Darryl Smith Town of Farragut		*Tina Whitaker Lakeway MPO	u00a0
			*Voting Members

2. Minutes*

Approved 16-0-0

Mr. Boone made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2025 meeting. Mr. Sartin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.



3. **FY 2026 & 2027 Transportation Planning Work Program***

The Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP) documents the transportation planning activities to be performed in the metropolitan planning area for the next two years. This document was prepared in cooperation with our state and local partners. If using federal funds for planning transit providers such as KAT and Knox County CAC Transit must include their funding and list their activities. The TPWP is broken down by six tasks, which include administration, data collection and analysis, short range planning, long range planning, multimodal planning, and special studies. The work program has been reviewed by TDOT and FHWA and all of their comments have been addressed in this draft document. Once approved by the Executive Board the TPWP will go through the graphics department to be finalized and added to the TPO website.

Attachment #3A: draft TPWP

Attachment #3B: draft Resolution

Discussion

Mr. Burton gave an overview of the FY 2026-2027 TPWP and the process of updating it.

Approved 16-0-0

Mr. Smith moved to recommend approval of the FY 2026-2027 Transportation Planning Work Program to the Executive Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Flynn. The motion carried unanimously.

4. **FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program Development Update***

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is updated on a 3-year cycle. The new TIP covers fiscal years 2026-2029 and will supersede the current FY 2023-2026 TIP. Staff will provide an update on the TIP development schedule and the revised draft project list.

Attachment #4: Draft TIP Constrained Projects List

Discussion

Mr. Leubke provided an update on the TIP development for FY 2026-2029.

5. **TPO Travel Demand Model Update Scoping Overview**

The current Knoxville Regional Travel Model (KRTM) was originally developed around 2010. It has been refreshed with minor updates since then, but is reaching the end of its service life. A new model will need to be developed in the next couple of years that incorporates important changes in travel behavior and patterns in recent years. The TPO has retained a consultant who will assist us in scoping the next model update by describing state of the practice modeling techniques used throughout the country and options for model features that can be considered along with their costs and benefits.

Discussion

Mr. Conger and Dr. Bernardin gave an overview of the update to the Travel Demand Model.



6. **TDOT and FHWA Updates***

Attachment: Statewide Partnership Program Handout

Discussion

Ms. Brooks left the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

Mr. Ebbert announcing changes in staffing at TDOT and the expected upcoming planning grant application cycles.

7. **Other Business**

Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, July 23, 2025, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

TPO Technical Committee Meeting September 9, 2025, 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 limit for each person.

Discussion

There was no public comment.

9. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

