



**Memphis Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)  
Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC)**

**Tuesday, October 16, 2018 11:00 AM**

GoToMeeting Webinar Conference

**SUMMARY OF MINUTES**

Ms. Zylavian Watley called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM. In addition to Ms. Watley the following committee members were present via webinar conference:

Antoine Hawkins	TDOT, Region 4
Jennifer Marshall	TDOT, Region 4
Scott Fox	MATA
Sylvia Crum	Revolutions Bicycle Coop
Gene Carkeet	Citizen
Sandi Klink	Memphis Center for Independent Living
Darren Sanders	Shelby County Government
Bob Wenner	Wolf River Conservancy
Sonja Owens	Shelby County Health Department
Benny Hopkins	Desoto County Government
Barbara McClanhan	University of Memphis
Stephen Edwards	City of Memphis



## **Welcome and Introduction**

Ms. Zylavian Watley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **1) Shelby County Health Department, Rideshare Program PRESENTATION by Sonja Owens, Air Quality Improvement Branch/Memphis Area Rideshare**

Ms. Sonja Owens presented on the Rideshare program, noting it aims to improve air quality, by utilizing a rideshare program through Enterprise. Enterprise works with the program to ensure vanpools for commuters that commute over 10 miles to work to prevent those from driving alone to in groups.

The Rideshare Program offers Emergency rides home that do commute through other modes of transportation besides a car for unexpected emergencies while at work that may cause them to miss their ride home. Additional information about the RideShare can be found on [ShelbyTNHealth.com](http://ShelbyTNHealth.com)

Ms. Owens mentioned about the Rideshare Program has thirty (30) vanpools at the VA Hospital and at the (4) federal prison. Atara has (2) vanpools. The program offers a subsidy towards each vanpool. The program has currently 84 registered commuters that are eligible for the Emergency Ride Home program.

The environmental impact from 2016 and 2017 showed the amount of trips eliminated and fuel gallons saved. This shows the impact of this program on air quality and provide other mode of transportation that is not dependent on so many cars.

If there are any additional information or interested parties in learning more about becoming a partner/sponsor for the rideshare program, can contact Sonja Owens at [Sonja.Owens@shelbycountyttn.gov](mailto:Sonja.Owens@shelbycountyttn.gov)

### **2) Announcements and Briefings**

#### **Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects and Grouping**

Ms. Zylavian Watley gave a briefing on the bicycle and pedestrian projects that are listed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which list the multi-modal transportation projects in the Memphis MPO Planning area.

She mentioned the programmed projects from the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) to Transportation Alternatives funds that are indicated on the list of projects under bicycle and pedestrian efforts. In the TIP, bicycle and pedestrian projects show shared use project with fifteen (15) Tennessee (TN) projects and five (5) from Mississippi. There are nearly twenty (20) sidewalk/crosswalk projects in Tennessee and four (4) from Mississippi.



The remaining projects mentioned under the bicycle and pedestrian projects are six (6) corridor/streetscapes, four (4) access to transit projects, and seven (7) ADA Transition Plans.

Ms. Watley informs the committee to how to find out the programmed and existing projects/facilities on the updated map on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Report and on the Interactive Map on the Memphis MPO website.

Lastly, it was indicated that a update to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan is underway. There will be more information like a timeline and additional information more in the next year. The plan looks to get started around mid-year.

### 3) **Questions/Updates**

Mr. Darren Sanders asked for any additional information from other jurisdictions that may be working toward their ADA Transition Plan. With the scope of inclusion of their facilities and other questions related to it.

Ms. Watley recommended to ask other jurisdictions who are completing their plan on how they working on their scope.

Mr. Stephan Edwards mentioned that the City of Memphis General Service Department is handing their ADA Transition Plan scope.

### 4) **Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM.

***NOTE: The meeting minutes are a summary of the meeting. If you would like to review the tape recording of the entire meeting you may so do by scheduling an appointment with Zylavian Watley at (901) 636-7146.***