



**Memphis Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Engineering and Technical Committee**

Thursday, August 19, 2021 10:30 AM

Holiday Inn University of Memphis – Shelby Ballroom
3700 Central Avenue, Memphis, TN 38111

SUMMARY OF MINUTES

Ms. Pragati Srivastava called the meeting to order at 10:35 AM. In addition to Ms. Srivastava, the following voting members were present at the meeting, and a roll call was taken to confirm the attendees.

Gary Scruggs	<i>TDOT</i>	Emily Harrell	<i>Lakeland</i>
Brian Copeland	<i>MDOT</i>	Steve Hill	<i>Arlington</i>
Darren Sanders	<i>Shelby County</i>	John Modzelewski	<i>Shelby County</i>
Christopher Pate	<i>Oakland</i>	Bennie Hopkins	<i>DeSoto County</i>
Patrick Neal	<i>Piperton</i>	Frank McPhail	<i>Collierville</i>
B. J. Page	<i>Hernando</i>	Mr. Vernard Asong Asongayi	<i>Olive Branch</i>
Rick McClanahan	<i>Bartlett</i>	Andy Sanders	<i>Germantown</i>
Emily Harrell	<i>Lakeland</i>	Randall Tatum	<i>Memphis</i>
CheeYen Chew	<i>Memphis</i>	John Lancaster	<i>MATA</i>

The following Ex-officio members were present:

Sam Jordan *West Memphis MPO*

The following Interested Individuals were present:

Antoine Hawkins	<i>TDOT</i>	James Collins	<i>Kimley-Horn</i>
Ashley Owens	<i>TDOT</i>	John Horne	<i>Bartlett</i>
Sonja Owens	<i>SCHD</i>	Kamillah Kelly	<i>MAAG</i>
Stephen Edwards	<i>TREKK</i>	Ben Ledsinger	<i>SSR</i>
Tim Gwaltney	<i>Collierville</i>		

The following MPO Staff members were present:

Mavrick Fitzgerald	Kate Horton	Ethan Greene	Sajid Hossain
Jasmine Champion	Nick Warren	Zylavian Watley	

A quorum was present.

1) Call to Order @ 10:35 AM

Ms. Pragati Srivastava called the meeting to order at 10:35 AM.

Ms. Srivastava requested all committee members to introduce themselves and the agency that they represent.

2) Approval of February 18, 2021 Minutes

Mr. Steve Hill move to approve the minutes as presented; Mr. Rick McClanahan seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent

NO DISCUSSION/ QUESTIONS

3) Memphis MPO's Administrator's Report

Ms. Pragati Srivastava gave an overview of the following items:

- a) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**
 - FY 2020-23 TIP Cycle
 - FY 2021 Second and Third Quarter Obligations & Project Status
 - FY 2023-26 TIP Cycle
 - Kick-off & Next Steps
- b) New MPO Staff Announcement – Mr. Ethan Greene**

NO DISCUSSION/ QUESTIONS

4) FY 2022-23 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Adoption

Ms. Srivastava provided an overview of the FY 2022-23 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

Mr. Darren Sanders moved to approve the UPWP as presented; Mr. Steve Hill seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent.

NO DISCUSSION/ QUESTIONS

5) FY 2020-23 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments & Air Quality Conformity Demonstration Report for Shelby County, TN

Ms. Srivastava provided an overview of the FY 2020-23 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments & Air Quality Conformity Demonstration Report for Shelby County, TN.

Mr. Chris Pate moved to approve the TIP amendments as presented; Mr. Randall Tatum seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent.

NO DISCUSSION/ QUESTIONS

6) **Air Quality Conformity Demonstration Report for DeSoto County, MS**

Ms. Srivastava provided an overview of the Air Quality Conformity Demonstration Report for DeSoto County, MS.

Mr. Bennie Hopkins moved to approve the Air Quality Conformity report as presented; Mr. BJ Page seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent.

NO DISCUSSION/ QUESTIONS

7) **Resolution to support Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA)'s Public Transportation Safety Plan (PTASP) 2021-2022 Targets**

Ms. Srivastava provided an overview of MATA's Public Transportation Safety Plan (PTASP) 2021-2022 Targets.

Mr. John Lancaster moved to approve the PTASP targets as presented; Mr. Darren Sanders seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent.

NO DISCUSSION/ QUESTIONS

8) **Resolution recommending MATA as the designated recipient of Section 5307 funds and the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT), Arkansas Department of Transportation (ArDOT), and MATA as the recipients for Section 5310 funds under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and American Rescue Plan of 2021.**

Ms. Srivastava provided an overview for the Section 5307 and 5310 designated recipients.

Mr. Steve Hill moved to approve the MATA resolution as presented; Mr. John Lancaster seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent.

DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

Mr. Steve Hill requested an overview of Section 5307 funds. Ms. Srivastava responded that Section 5307 funds are urbanized area formula grants that transit agencies like MATA receive directly and Section 5310 funds are used by agencies to provide Paratransit type of services in TN, MS, and AR.

9) **2050 Regional Transportation Plan Kick-Off**

Mr. Vijay Kunada from Neel Schaffer gave a presentation on the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan Kick Off.

DISCUSSION/ QUESTIONS

Mr. B. J. Page asked would there be one or two meetings in Desoto County as opposed to individual meetings in various cities. Ms. Srivastava responded that there will be a hybrid approach for public engagement which will include engagement directly from the public at meetings and also online as well as by engaging the MPO members directly.

10) Open Grant/Funding Opportunities

Current grant and funding opportunities, which might be of interest to the ETC, were provided and will be included in future agenda(s), as well as distributed via email.

11) Other Business

- a) Next Scheduled ETC Meeting: November 4, 2021, 1:30 pm, Format/Location: TBD (closer to meeting date)

Mr. B. J. Page moved to adjourn; Mr. John Modzelewski seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 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 do so by scheduling an appointment with Kate Horton, Transportation Planner at (901) 636-7218.*