Memphis MPO
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Strengthening Regional Transportation

Memphis Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Transportation Policy Board Meeting
Thursday, May 23, 2024, 1:30 PM
Holiday Inn University of Memphis – Shelby Ballroom
3700 Central Avenue, Memphis, TN 38111

SUMMARY OF MINUTES

Mayor Paul A. Young called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM. In addition to Mayor Young, the following voting members were present:

Ashley Owens	*TDOT/Rep. Governor*	Tim Gwaltney	*Collierville*
Gary Scruggs	*TDOT*	Ethan Skaggs	*Germantown*
Perry Brown	*MDOT*	Andrew Hockensmith	*Horn Lake*
Mayor Rhea "Skip" Taylor	*Fayette County*	Paul Luker	*Lakeland*
Mayor Chip Johnson	*Hernando*	Bacarra Mauldin	*MATA*
Bennie Hopkins	*DeSoto County*	Nathaniel McHaffie	*Millington*
Cliff Norville	*Shelby County*	Jason Gambone	*Olive Branch*
Steve Hill	*Arlington*	Harvey Matheny	*Piperton*
John Horne	*Bartlett*	Randy Richardson	*Port Commission*

The following Interested Individuals were present:

Brian Copeland	*MDOT*	Katherine Webb	*Millington*
Theira Taylor	*TDOT*	Richard Mills	*Piperton*
Hannah Owenga	*DeSoto County*	Robin Richardson	OSR
Erin Campbell	*Bartlett*	Drew Gaskins	*Gresham Smith*
Austin Cardosi	*Hernando*	Greg Dotson	*Gresham Smith*

The following MPO Staff Members were present:

Pragati Srivastava	Kate Horton	Sajid Hossain	Nick Warren
Mavrick Fitzgerald	Torey Sanders	Andrea Blue	

A quorum was present.

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1) **Call to Order @ 1:30 PM**

Mayor Paul A. Young called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

2) **Approval of February 15, 2024 Minutes**

Mr. Cliff Norville moved to approve the minutes as presented; Mr. Randy Richardson seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent.

NO DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS

3) **Memphis MPO's Administrator's Report**

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

a) Freight Report
b) Upcoming Projects

NO DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS

4) **MPO Bylaws Amendment**

Ms. Pragati Srivastava gave an overview on the updates to the MPO Bylaws Amendment.

Mr. Jason Gambone moved to approve the MPO Bylaws as presented; Mr. Cliff Norville seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent.

DISCUSSION / QUESTIONS

Mr. Ethan Skaggs asked if any of the voting percentages changes with the census update and Ms. Pragati Srivastava responded that there were minor changes.

5) **2024 Public Participation Plan**

Mr. Nick Warren gave a presentation on the 2024 Public Participation Plan.

Mr. Ethan Skaggs moved to approve the 2024 Public Participation Plan as presented; Mayor Rhea Taylor seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent.

DISCUSSION / QUESTIONS

Mr. Jason Gambone asked if there was anything in the plan that targets the younger population. Mr. Nick Warren responded that the updated plan includes a number of potential options for engagement including virtual options that often times target younger populations. Mayor Paul A. Young also noted that social media is another good tool that targets a younger demographic.

6) **Performance Measure Targets**

Mr. Nick Warren gave a presentation on the following Performance Measure Targets.

a) PM3 – Updated 4-Year Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) Targets

Mr. Steve Hill moved to approve the PM Targets as presented; Mr. Cliff Norville seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent.

DISCUSSION / QUESTIONS

Mayor Paul A. Young asked about the updating of the two performance measure targets. For the Peak Hour Excessive Delay (PHED) target, the target is being updated to increase the annual hours of peak hour excessive delay from 9.6 hours to 10.8 hours, based on travel trend projections, which could be contributed to the number of current and ongoing construction projects in the Memphis region. For the Total Emissions Reductions, the target is based on the obligation of Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) projects and the total emissons reductions for NOx and VOC targets are being updated based on the emissions that have been reported for the current CMAQ funded projects.

7) **Functional Classification Amendments**

Ms. Pragati Srivastava provided an overview of the Functional Classification Amendments.

Mr. Steve Hill moved to approve the Functional Classification Amendments as presented; Mr. Paul Luker seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent.

NO DISCUSSION / QUESTIONS

8) **Approval of the FY 2023-26 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment & Air Quality for Shelby County**

Ms. Pragati Srivastava provided an overview of the FY 2023-26 TIP Amendment & the associated Air Quality Short Conformity for Shelby County.

a) TIP Amendment STBG-M-2017-07: Hacks Cross Road

Mr. Cliff Norville moved to approve the FY 2023-26 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment & Air Quality for Shelby County as presented; Mayor Rhea Taylor seconded the motion and the motion carried without dissent.

NO DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS

9) **Memphis Regional Pedestrian and Bicycle Greenprint Plan**

Mr. Drew Gaskins, Gresham Smith gave a presentation on the kick-off of the Memphis Regional Pedestrian and Bicycle Greenprint Plan.

NO DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS

10) **Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)** & **Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT)**

No updates.

NO DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS

11) **Open Grant/Funding Opportunities**

a) TDOT Traffic Signal Modernization Program
b) Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP)
c) Community Change Grants Program
d) TDOT Multimodal Access Grant

12) **Other Business**

a) Next Scheduled TPB Meeting: November 21, 2024, 1:30 PM, Location: Holiday Inn University of Memphis –3700 Central Avenue, Memphis, TN 38111

13) **Adjourn**

Mayor Rhea Taylor moved to adjourn; Mr. Cliff Norville seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 PM.

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.*