Memphis Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Transportation Policy Board
Thursday, March 20, 2014 1:30 PM
UT Health Science Center – Student Alumni Building
800 Madison Avenue - Memphis, Tennessee

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
Mayor Mark Luttrell, Jr. called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M. In addition to Mayor Luttrell, the following voting members were present at the meeting:

Perry Brown TMDOT James Hay Airport
Jim Flanagan Rep. Ms. Gov. Austin Cardosi Horn Lake
Mayor A C Wharton, Jr. Memphis BJ Page Olive Branch
Bob Conrad Piperton Steve Hill Arlington
Pat Brown Gallaway John Lancaster MATA
Mayor Stan Joyner Collierville Michael Moyer Port Comm.
Jared Darby Hernando Esther Sykes-Wood Fayette County
Rick McClanahan Bartlett

Interested Individuals present:

Tom Needham Shelby County Ronne Adkins SCHD
John Cameron Memphis Stephen Edwards Memphis
Levestor Moten Shelby County Josh Shumaker MAAG
Jim Reeder Riverfront Dev Ted Garrod Desoto
Frank McPhail Collierville Maura Sullivan Memphis
Aury Kangelos TDOT

The following MPO Staff members were present:

Pragati Srivastava Kate Horton Linda K. Lawrence Sajid Hossain
Andrew Ray Mitchell Lloyd Kwasi Agyakwa Kyle Wagenschutz

A quorum was present.
1) Approval of February 20, 2014 Minutes

Mayor Stan Joyner moved to approve the minutes as presented; Mayor A C Wharton, Jr. seconded the motion; and the motion carried without dissent.

2) Amendment to the Memphis MPO Bylaws

Overview by Ms. Pragati Srivastava
Presentation by Mr. Mitchell Lloyd

Mr. B J Page moved to approve the Amendment to the Memphis MPO Bylaws as presented; Mr. Steve Hill seconded the motion; and the motion carried as follows:
15 votes in the affirmative, 2 in the negative (City of Gallaway, MATA), 1 abstention (City of Memphis)

DISCUSSION/COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:

Mayor Mark Luttrell, Jr. stated that the Memphis MPO will hold a MPO 101 session that will be open to all new committee members as well as current members to provide a background on the roles and responsibilities of the Memphis MPO.

Mr. BJ Page asked why both Memphis and Shelby County have two members each on the ETC?
Ms. Pragati Srivastava stated it is because of the population percentage.

Mr. Rick McClanahan asked for clarification if the Critical Vote clause only applied to 4 main categories.
Ms. Pragati Srivastava replied that was correct.

Mayor Stan Joyner asked for clarification that it was stated previously a majority vote was 60% plus four jurisdictions which is now 2/3 of all votes.
Ms. Pragati Srivastava replied that was correct.

Public Comment: Mr. Dennis Lynch, representing the Sierra Club stated that he was concerned about changes to the Bylaws as well as the attendance of the general public at the meeting. Mr. Lynch does not agree with any provision that weakens Memphis’s role in the selection and approval of projects.
Mr. Lynch also stated that the Critical Vote should not only be used in critical cases, but left up to the elected officials for each municipality.

Mayor Mark Luttrell, Jr. stated that the meeting was publicized and Ms. Pragati Srivastava added that it was included in local newspapers as defined in the MPO’s Public Participation Plan.
3) **FY 2014-17 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment**

Overview by Ms. Pragati Srivastava

Mayor Stan Joyner moved to approve the FY 2014-17 TIP Amendment as presented; Ms. Esther Sykes-Wood seconded the motion; and the motion carried without dissent.

No Questions/Comments

**TN Local Road TIP Amendment**

a. **TIP Amendment DEMO-2014-01: Cobblestone Landing Railroad Pedestrian Improvements**

Amend the TIP by adding the Cobblestone Landing Railroad Pedestrian Improvements project; the project includes improvements to Court Ave, Monroe Ave, and Union Ave. The addition of $50,000 in federal funds has been added for PE-D in FY 2014.

4) **Other Business**

a) Next Scheduled TPB Meeting: May 29, 2014 1:30pm, Location: UT Health Science Center

b) MPO met with TDOT Safety Office and they will be performing Intersection Safety Improvement studies at different locations throughout Shelby and Fayette Counties.

5) **Adjourn @ 1:47 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) 576-7218.