SUMMARY OF MINUTES

Ms. Pragati Srivastava called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM. In addition to Ms. Pragati Srivastava, the following voting members were present at the meeting:

- Perry Brown, MDOT
- Frank McPhail, Collierville
- Rick McClanahan, Bartlett
- Darren Sanders, Shelby County
- Ted Garrod, Desoto County
- Steve Hill, Arlington
- Maury Miles, MATA
- Esther Sykes-Wood, Fayette County
- Jared Darby, Hernando
- Jason Allen, Horn Lake
- Carlos McCloud, TDOT
- Tim Gwaltney, Germantown
- Bob Evans, Shelby County
- B. J. Page, Olive Branch
- Darek Baskin, Millington
- James Hay, MSCAA
- Stephen Edwards, Memphis
- Pat Brown, Gallaway
- Manny Belen, Memphis

The following Interested Individuals were present:

- Kenny Monroe, Kimley-Horn
- Anurag Komanduri, Cambridge
- Keith Head, MDEQ
- Mark Grey, Buchart Horn
- Bertha Wolff, Citizen
- Austin Cardosi, Horn Lake
- Erik Cempel, Cambridge
- Patrick Neal, Pickering
- Brian Copeland, MDOT
- Allison Fouche, MLGW
- Necole Baker, MDOT
- Bob Rogers, SCHD
- Stacey Morris, ETI
- Steve Chipman, TDOT
- Art Wolff, Citizen
- Aury Kangelos, TDOT
- Michael Taylor, MLGW
- Dennis Lynch, Sierra Club
- Levester Moton, Shelby County
- Ordis Copeland, State of Tn.
- Amanda Meadows, Waggoner

The following Ex-officio members were present:

- Corbin Davis, FHWA-TN
- Bobby Williams, West Mphs. MPO

The following MPO Staff members were present:

- Sajid Hossain
- Andrew Ray
- Kwasi Agyakwa
- Mitchell Lloyd
- Peter Jenkins
- Nicholas Oyler
- Linda Kay Lawrence
- Kyle Wagenschutz

A quorum was present.
1) **Call to Order @ 1:35 PM**

2) **Approval of August 7, 2014 Minutes**

   Mr. Steve Hill moved to approve the minutes as presented; Mr. B. J. Page seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

3) **Memphis MPO Administrator’s Report**
   a) **Prospectus Update**
   b) **2014 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects**
   c) **Data from Community Remarks**

4) **Adoption of 2015 Memphis MPO Meeting Calendar**

   Mr. Darren Sanders moved to adopt the 2015 MPO Meeting Calendar as presented; Mr. Rick McClanahan seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

5) **Approval of 2014 Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan**

   **PRESENTATION:** Mr. Kyle Wagenschutz

   Mr. Darren Sanders moved to approve the 2014 Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan as presented; Mr. Tim Gwaltney seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

   **COMMENTS:**
   Mr. Dennis Lynch commented that the Greenprint Plan should be included in the text

6) **Adoption of 2014 Public Participation Plan**

   **PRESENTATION:** Mr. Mitchell Lloyd

   Mr. Darren Sanders moved to adopt the 2014 Public Participation Plan as presented; Mr. Tim Gwaltney seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

   **COMMENTS:**
   Mr. Dennis Lynch commented that the public comment period should end before ETC meetings.
Mr. Lynch also stated the website should be user friendly for the public.

7) Socio Demographic Update to Travel Demand Model

PRESENTATION: Mr. Kenny Monroe

Mr. Ted Garrod moved to approve the 2014 Socio Demographic Travel Demand Model as presented; Mr. Steve Hill seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

COMMENTS:
Mr. Dennis Lynch stated that the model needs to incorporate the change in trend where people prefer living near where they work.

8) 2040 Region Transportation Plan: Draft Goals and Objectives

PRESENTATION: Mr. Erik Cempel

Mr. B. J. Page moved to approve the 2040 Region Transportation Plan as presented; Mr. Tim Gwaltney seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

9) FY 2014-17 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Status Updates from ETC Members

UPDATES BY: Ms. Pragati Srivastava

COMMENTS:
Mr. Darren Sanders obligation for the Shelby County CMAQ project is moving forward and soon the implementation of different projects will be underway.

Mr. B. J. Page asked how Highway Transportation Funds will affect each project.
Ms. Pragati Srivastava stated that TDOT sent a letter regarding project delays due to MAP-21 expiration, but have not received anything from MDOT.

10) 2040 Long Regional Transportation Plan (LRTP) Amendment

TN Local Road Amendment
Note: The following one LRTP Amendment was associated with an Air Quality Conformity Determination Report that was submitted to the Interagency Consultation (IAC) Group for a 30-day review ending on November 10, 2014.

a) LRTP Amendment 0900012: Walnut Grove Road Middle
Walnut Grove Road will remain four lanes. Access management measures will be provided to limit left turn movements across Walnut Grove traffic. These include construction of a “green bridge” type grade separated intersection approximately one mile west of Germantown Parkway. The new “green bridge” will connect to the internal road network of Shelby Farms Park and the Agricenter allowing wildlife, pedestrians, bicyclist, and vehicles to cross Walnut Grove. The “green bridge” design will include landscaping, vehicular travel lanes,
bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and connections to Walnut Grove. All intersecting streets and drives between the Kirby Whitten Project (Shelby Farms Parkway) and the “green bridge” will be converted to right in, right out operation. The project will include installation of a shared use trail on the north side of Walnut Grove from Patriot Lake to Germantown Parkway and pavement reconstruction of Walnut Grove.

Mr. Manny Belen moved to approve the 2040 Long Regional Transportation Plan Amendment as presented; Mr. Darren Sanders seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

**COMMENTS:** Mr. Art Wolff asked about the public participation for this project. Mr. Stephen Edwards responded that the project is in early stages and opportunity will be given for public comment. Mr. B J Page added that the project is a City of Memphis project and they will be responsible for conducting public involvement for this project.

Mr. Dennis Lynch asked about the design documents and the environmental documents. Mr. Edwards responded that no design work has been done, and that design work will begin after the amendment allocates funds to the project.

Mr. Steve Hill asked if the project will ever be 6 lanes in the future. Mr. Stephen Edwards responded that the current proposal will keep the project at 4 lanes.

11) FY 2014-17 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments

**TN Local Road Amendments**

*Note: The following one TIP Amendment was associated with an Air Quality Conformity Determination Report that was submitted to the Interagency Consultation (IAC) Group for a 30-day review ending on November 10, 2014.*

a. **TIP Amendment STP-M-2000-11: Walnut Grove Road Middle**

Walnut Grove Road will remain four lanes. Access management measures will be provided to limit left turn movements across Walnut Grove traffic. These include construction of a “green bridge” type grade separated intersection approximately one mile west of Germantown Parkway. The new “green bridge” will connect to the internal road network of Shelby Farms Park and the Agricenter allowing wildlife, pedestrians, bicyclist, and vehicles to cross Walnut Grove. The “green bridge” design will include landscaping, vehicular travel lanes, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and connections to Walnut Grove. All intersecting streets and drives between the Kirby Whitten Project (Shelby Farms Parkway) and the “green bridge” will be converted to right in, right out operation. The project will include installation of a shared use trail on the north side of Walnut Grove from Patriot Lake to Germantown Parkway and pavement reconstruction of Walnut Grove.

*Note: The following one TIP Amendment was associated with an Air Quality Short Conformity Determination Report that was submitted to the Interagency Consultation (IAC) Group for a 30-day review ending on November 10, 2014.*

b. **TIP Amendment STP-M-2006-04: Plough Blvd Interchange with Winchester Road**

The City of Memphis is requesting to amend the TIP by adding $3,174,414 in federal DEMO funds for FY 2015 and $3,237,500 in federal DEMO funds for FY 2017. Additionally, existing FY 2014 High Priority Project (HPP) funds are being moved to FY 2017. The City of Memphis has requested the changes in funding in accordance with an agreement with Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) to transfer project management from TDOT to the City of Memphis.
Note: The following two TIP Amendments were associated with an Air Quality Exempt Packet that was submitted to the Interagency Consultation (IAC) Group for a 30-day review ending on November 10, 2014.

c. **TIP Amendment ENH-2014-01: Walker Avenue Streetscape Phase 2**
The City of Memphis is requesting to amend the TIP by adding the Walker Avenue Streetscape Phase 2 project for FY 2017, $458,824 in federal Enhancement (ENH) funds to modify the existing roadway from Brister Street to Patterson Street to accommodate a new streetscape including sidewalks, landscaping, lighting, and bike lanes.

d. **TIP Amendment TIGER IV-2012-01: Mainstreet to Mainstreet Multimodal Connector**
The City of Memphis is requesting to amend the TIP by adding $1,657,000 in federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds for FY 2014 awarded by the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) through the CMAQ Improvement Program. Additionally, for FY 2014 construction, the TDOT match has decreased from $2,000,000 to $1,342,794, the Private match has increased from $249,989 to $2,649,989, and the Local match has decreased from $9,774,515 to $7,958,469.

**MS Local Road Amendments**
Note: The following two TIP Amendments were associated with an Air Quality Short Conformity Determination that was submitted to the Interagency Consultation (IAC) Group for a 30-day review ending on November 10, 2014.

e. **TIP Amendment MS-LSTP-2014-01: Getwell Road**
The City of Southaven is requesting to amend the TIP by removing the FY 2015 ROW and Construction Phases. The FY 2015 Surface Transportation Program (STP) federal funds for ROW $102,000 and the FY 2016 STP federal funds for construction are $3,867,775. Additionally, the PE-D phase has been moved from FY 2014 to FY 2017.

f. **TIP Amendment MS-LSTP-2014-06: I-55/I-69 Interchange at Nail Road**
The Mississippi Department of Transportation is requesting to amend the TIP by adding the I-55/I-69 Interchange at Nail Road project. $225,000 in federal STP funds and $225,000 in state STP funds are being added for FY 2015 PE-N/PED for a hydraulic study to determine the feasibility or an interchange at I-55/I-69 and Nail Road.

**MS State Road Amendments**
Note: The following one TIP Amendment was associated with an Air Quality Exempt Packet that was submitted to the Interagency Consultation (IAC) Group for a 30-day review ending on November 10, 2014.

g. **TIP Amendment MS-SSTP-2011-01: SR-304/I-269**
The Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) is requesting to amend the TIP by reducing the FY 2014 federal funds for Debt Services by $7,700,336 and the FY 2015–17 federal funds for Debt Services by $7,508,549 for each FY. Additionally, the National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) funding has been added to the list of funding types. The funding changes are for the repayment of two 30-year bonds.

**Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Amendments**
Note: The following two TIP Amendments were associated with an Air Quality Exempt Packet that was submitted to the Interagency Consultation (IAC) Group for a 30-day review ending on November 10, 2014.

h. **TIP Amendment CMAQ-2014-03: Memphis Heavy Duty Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Truck Deployment**
Memphis Light Gas and Water (MLGW) and the City of Memphis are requesting to amend the TIP by adding the Memphis Heavy Duty CNG Truck Deployment project for FY 2014. MLGW was awarded $500,000 in federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds by the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) through the CMAQ Improvement Program.

i. **TIP Amendment CMAQ-2014-04: Traffic Signal Equipment Replacement**
The City of Memphis is requesting to amend the TIP by adding the Traffic Signal Equipment Replacement project for FY 2015. The City of Memphis was awarded $610,000 in federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds by the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) through the CMAQ Improvement Program.

Mr. Stephen Edwards moved to approve the FY 2014-17 Transportation Improvement Plan Amendments as presented; Mr. Maury Miles seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent. Mr. Steve Hill abstained from item number 11 d

**COMMENTS:**
Mr. Maury Miles asked about the status of the MATA CMAQ project TIP amendments that were selected by TDOT in the last round.
Ms. Pragati Srivastava responded that we are waiting to hear back from the federal agencies as how they see this project when it comes to air quality conformity.

Mr. Carlos McCloud asked about the impact of the walnut grove road change to the MATA CMAQ project at Agricenter.
Ms. Srivastava responded that TDOT would need to check with the sponsoring agencies i.e. MATA and City of Memphis.

12) **Other Business**
   a. Next Scheduled ETC Meeting: February 5, 2015 1:30pm, Location: UT Health Science Center
   b. Ms. Pragati Srivastava mentioned about the TDOT letter that was sent regarding project delays and stated that TDOT is meeting with each MPO coordinator to discuss the project priority and she will give an update at the next meeting
   c. Mr. Dennis Lynch mentioned that the Lamar project is important to the City of Memphis and Shelby County as well as I-55 and crump and Sierra club supports the projects.

13) **Adjourned @ 3:05 PM**
Mr. B J Page moved to adjourn; Mr. Darren Sanders seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

*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*