



Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT)
Traffic Incident Management Committee (TIMS)
 &
Memphis Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Traffic Operations Advisory Committee (TOAC)
Joint Meeting
Wednesday, September 22, 2021, 9:00 AM
Meeting held via GoToMeeting
SUMMARY OF MINUTES

The following committee members were present:

Elizabeth Watkins	<i>FHWA-TN</i>	Sonja Owens	<i>SCHD</i>
Cannon Callicott	<i>ARDOT</i>	Becky Bailey	<i>City of Bartlett</i>
Sammy Holcomb	<i>MDOT</i>	Andy Sanders	<i>City of Germantown</i>
William Futrell	<i>THP</i>	Emily Harrell	<i>City of Lakeland</i>
Amanda Hicks	<i>West Memphis</i>	Randall Tatum	<i>City of Memphis</i>
	<i>MPO</i>	Scott Fox	<i>MATA</i>
Kamillah Kelly	<i>West Tennessee</i>	Lt. Delbert Polk	<i>MPD</i>
	<i>RPO</i>	Harvey Henderson	<i>MFD</i>
Bennie Hopkins	<i>DeSoto County</i>	Kenny Monroe	<i>Kimley-Horn</i>
John Modzelewski	<i>Shelby County</i>	Conrad Salvagin	<i>Kimley-Horn</i>
Jason Ervin	<i>SCFD</i>	Tanisha Hall	<i>Fairpointe Planning</i>

TDOT staff members present:

Michael Welch	Lia Prince	Jonathan Storey	Thiera Taylor
Antoine Hawkins	Ashley Owens	Brian White	Deadrick Wright

Memphis MPO staff members present:

Nick Warren	Mavrick Fitzgerald	Jordan Smith
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1) Welcome and Introductions, TDOT and Memphis MPO

Mr. Nick Warren called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

2) TDOT Updates

Mr. Brian White provided a presentation on TDOT's recent efforts related to Traffic Incident Management:

a) I-40 Bridge Closure

Mr. White discussed the recent I-40 Bridge closure and provided an overview of the fracture discovered in a box beam on the north side of the bridge that caused the bridge to close. Mr. White also discussed the efforts to repair the bridge, the strategies implemented to cope with the subsequent traffic impacts, and the coordination that took place between various agencies while the bridge was closed.

b) TIMS Self-Assessment Scores

Mr. White also discussed TDOT's Region 4 Traffic Incident Management Committee (TIMS) Traffic Incident Management Capability Maturity Self-Assessment scores, noting that Region 4 had the highest scores in the State of Tennessee. Mr. White also highlighted several strategies that Region 4 could potentially use moving forward to improve safety and incident clearance times.

3) Memphis MPO Updates

Mr. Warren provided the following update on the Memphis MPO's ongoing planning efforts relevant to traffic operations and safety:

a) 2050 Regional Transportation Plan Update (RTP)

Mr. Warren mentioned that the development of the Memphis MPO's 2050 Regional Transportation Plan is officially underway. The MPO intends to provide a presentation on the plan and its development at the spring TIMS/TOAC meeting, and will be asking for feedback from member agencies.

4) Memphis Area Congestion Action Plan, TDOT/Kimley Horn

Mr. Kenny Monroe provided a presentation on the Memphis Area Congestion Action Plan, which Kimley-Horn has been contracted to develop for TDOT. Mr. Monroe provided an overview of the project's scope and background, the methodology used to identify congestion issues throughout the region, and the strategies included in the plan that could potentially be used to address congestion issues. Mr. Monroe

highlighted several planned and programmed projects intended to address congestion issues throughout the region. Mr. Monroe noted that the plan will include an analysis of potential transportation solutions, as well as a Benefit Cost Index that may be used to prioritize investment solutions.

Q: Mr. Warren noted that it was the MPO's understanding that the Congestion Action Plan would result in a prioritized list of projects that would eventually be incorporated into the MPO's Regional Transportation Plan, and asked if Kimley-Horn or TDOT could provide a timeline for when the MPO may have that information.

A: Ms. Lia Prince indicated that no timeline was available at this time.

Q: Mr. Mavrick Fitzgerald asked if Mr. Monroe could explain the differences between the blue and red transit routes included in the presentation.

A: Mr. Monroe indicated that the blue routes represent potential Bus Rapid Transit Routes, which were identified in coordination with the Memphis Area Transit Authority.

5) Questions, Feedback, & Other Business

The next joint committee meeting is tentatively planned for the spring of 2022, with the precise date to be determined and will be sent to the committee when set.

6) Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 am.