

Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization

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EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Regular meeting held at 4:00 p.m. in Room 301 Civic Center Complex – Administration Building Evansville, Indiana

June 4, 2015

The foregoing are minutes and not intended to be a verbatim transcript. An audio version of the proceedings can be heard or viewed on our website at www.evansvillempo.com.

ROLL CALL

Members Present (voting):

Jack Corn, Mayor Lloyd Winnecke, Stephanie Brinkerhoff-Riley, Todd Robertson, Donald Angel, Russell Sights, Lori Buehlman, Rusty Fowler, Nick Hall

Members Absent (voting):

Stephen Melcher, Angela Koehler Lindsey, William Hubiak, Richard Reid

Members Absent (non-voting):

Karl Browning, Rick Marquis, Scott Deloney, Marisol Simon, Tony Greep, Jose Sepulveda, Bernadette Dupont, Mike Hancock, Keith Damron, John Gowins, Michelle Allen

Evansville MPO Staff Present:

Rob Schaefer, Kari Akin, Laura Lamb, Craig Luebke, Pam Drach, Seyed Shokouhzadeh, Erin Schriefer, Vishu Lingala

Others Present:

Jerry Parkinson

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Jack Corn directed the meeting. Stephanie Brinkerhoff-Riley made a motion to approve the minutes and Lori Buehlman seconded the motion; motion carried.

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2. OLD BUSINESS

A. Project Update – presented by Laura Lamb

CITY OF EVANSVILLE

Tekoppel Safe Routes to School - A preconstruction meeting was held May 18, 2015.

VANDERBURGH COUNTY

<u>Green River Rd Widening, Millersburg Rd to Kansas Rd</u> - The project is 92% complete. Traffic has been shifted to the middle lanes to allow the contractor room to complete the sidewalk, the remaining driveway approaches and the grading and sod. The contractor will be requesting a time extension on the contract that will extend the completion date to the end of July, 2015.

<u>Heckel Road Widening, Green River Rd to Oak Hill Rd</u> - Right-of-way staking has begun and property appraisals will begin soon. Revisions to the plan are being done to address comments from the public information meeting.

<u>KYTC</u>

<u>KY351/Zion Rd</u> – Work is progressing and the project is expected to be complete prior to school opening in August 2015.

B. FY 2016 Budget

Kari Akin presented the proposed FY 2016 Evansville MPO budget, the FY 2016 (proposed), 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011 & 2010 budget trend sheet, and a sheet explaining the changes in budget from the previous year. These are the same values that were approved last month for the FY 2016 UPWP. There are no increases in local shares from the previous five+ years except for Warrick County in which they have been notified in advance of the change. Donald Angel made a motion to accept the budget and Stephanie Brinkerhoff-Riley seconded the motion; motion carried.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. UPWP Amendment – Finalized FY 2016 SPR Funding Amounts

Kari Akin presented an amendment to the FY 2015 & FY 2016 Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization Unified Planning Work Program to revise project 509.1 Rural Planning in Posey and Gibson Counties from displaying estimated funding to actual contract funding for FY 2016.

Job #	Description	ESTIMATE			
		Fed	State	Local	Total
509.1	Rural Planning in	\$32,185	\$1,654	\$6,392	\$40,231
	Posey and Gibson	ACTUAL			
	Counties	Fed	State	Local	Total
		\$36,222	\$1,565	\$7,491	\$45,278
		CHANGE			
		\$4,037	-\$89	\$1,099	\$5,047

The UPWP pages affected were attached. Russell Sights made a motion to accept the amendment and Donald Angel seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. 2015 Regional Prioritization of KYTC Unscheduled/Unfunded Projects

Laura Lamb presented the 2015 MPO/Regional prioritizations of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's (KYTC's) Unscheduled/Unfunded Projects List (UPL/UNL) for the City of Henderson and Henderson County. To meet the prioritization criteria, the MPO was required to submit an overall rank of the projects and any deviation of the Technical Review ranking was required to have written justification. The City of Henderson and Henderson County joined together in approving the same list of priorities, and since the LPA's jointly agree on the priorities for their area, the MPO's Regional Ranking match directly with the local priorities. This biennial process results in a statewide prioritization of currently unfunded projects from which Kentucky's Six-Year Highway Plan is formulated. (Memo and spreadsheet were included for review.) Nick Hall made a motion to approve the projects and Stephanie Brinkerhoff-Riley seconded the motion; motion carried.

C. Evansville MPO and Metropolitan Evansville Transit System Agreement

Rob Schaefer presented the request for approval for the fiscal year 2016 annual transit agreement between the Evansville MPO and METS. The Evansville MPO agrees to perform planning and administrative functions, related to requirements necessary to receive federal funding, for METS in 2016 for a fee of \$12,500. The committee granted approval of the agreement. Lori Buehlman made a motion to approve the agreement and Mayor Winnecke seconded the motion; motion carried. Stephanie Brinkerhoff- Riley asked if this agreement was part of the study being conducted for METS. Rob Schaefer replied that this agreement is not part of the METS Comprehensive Operations Analysis currently being done. The COA will be completed in July.

D. Evansville MPO and Henderson Area Rapid Transit Agreement

Rob Schaefer presented the request for approval for the fiscal year 2016 annual transit agreement between the Evansville MPO and HART. The Evansville MPO agrees to perform planning and administrative functions, related to requirements necessary to receive federal transit funding, for HART for a fee of \$12,500. The committee granted approval of the agreement. Nick Hall made a motion to approve the agreement and Todd Robertson seconded the motion; motion carried.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Approval of Bills

Lori Buehlman made a motion to approve the bills and Russell Sights seconded the motion; motion carried.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS