

# EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Regular meeting held at 10:00 a.m. in Room 318 Civic Center Complex – Administration Building Evansville, Indiana

# September 1, 2016

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## **ROLL CALL**

#### Members Present:

Wade Clements, Angie Higgins, Shawn Will, Valerie Cockrum, Shane Spears, Jason Orange, Thomas Witt, Gary Valentine, Shawn Hayden, Sam Sarvis, Mike O'Daniel, Cinda Phillips, Khalil Dughaish, John Stoll, Nick Hall

# **Evansville MPO Staff Present:**

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

John Stoll directed the meeting.

## 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Angie Higgins made a motion for approval and Mike O'Daniel seconded the motion; motion carried.

#### 2. OLD BUSINESS

# A. Project Update- presented by Pam Drach

#### **VANDERBURGH COUNTY**

<u>Maryland Street Bridge over Pigeon Creek:</u> Upcoming work includes street light and guardrail installation, approach milling and paving.

Columbia-Delaware Bridge over Pigeon Creek: A preliminary field check has been scheduled for September 8, 2016.

<u>Heckel Road Widening, Green River Road to Oak Hill Road:</u> Construction on Phase 2, between Shoreham Drive and Pebble Stone Drive, is expected to be open by late September, weather permitting.

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<u>Green River Road, Kansas Road to Boonville New Harmony Road:</u> Twenty-eight parcels are currently being appraised. Right-of-way engineering is being done on 14 parcels. Approval of appraisal fees for 12 parcels will be requested at the September 6 Commissioner's meeting.

## **I-69 CORRIDOR**

<u>I-69 Ohio River Crossing:</u> The Request for Proposals (RFP) for the NEPA document preparation was posted on 8/25/16 with a response due date of 9/13/16.

This item was informational and did not require a committee action.

# 3. NEW BUSINESS

## A. FY 2016-2019 TIP Amendments – presented by Craig Luebke

The Metropolitan Evansville Transit System (METS) requested the following amendments:

<u>Des# 1601220:</u> Sunday Service: Add operating assistance for new Sunday service in fiscal years 2017, 2018 and 2019. Costs of \$411,000 in each fiscal year will be funded with \$329,000 in federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding and an \$82,000 local match.

<u>Des# 1601223:</u> Lynch/Walnut Evening Service: Add operating assistance for new evening service in fiscal years 2017. Costs of \$144,000 will be funded with \$72,000 in federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding and a \$72,000 local match.

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) requested the following amendments:

<u>Item# 02-79.30:</u> US 60: Widen and improve from west of Henderson Community College to KY 425. Revise construction (CN) schedule from fiscal year 2016 to fiscal year 2017. CN costs of \$5,500,000 will be funded with \$5,500,000 in federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds and a soft match provided with Kentucky toll credits.

<u>Item# 02-1080</u>: US 60: Bridge replacement over Green River. Revise utility schedule from fiscal year 2016 to fiscal year 2017. Revise CN schedule from fiscal year 2016 to 2017 and costs from \$10,000,000 to \$14,000,000. All project costs will be funded with Federal Bridge Program (BRO) funds and a soft match provided with Kentucky toll credits.

<u>Item# 02-1080.01:</u> US 60: Bridge replacement over Green River. Revise CN schedule from fiscal year 2017 to 2018 and costs from \$15,000,000 to \$6,000,000. All project costs will be funded with Federal Bridge Program (BRO) funds and a soft match provided with Kentucky toll credits.

<u>Item# 02-1080.02:</u> US 60: Bridge replacement over Green River. Add project phase for CN in fiscal year 2019 at a cost of \$5,000,000. All project costs will be funded with Federal Bridge Program (BRO) funds and a soft match provided with Kentucky toll credits.

<u>Item# 02-711.00:</u> US 41: Intersection update at KY 812. Add dedicated right and left turn lanes and signal updates. Revise ROW and Utility (U) schedule from fiscal year 2016 to 2017. Revise ROW costs from \$250,000 to \$50,000. Revise U costs from \$250,000 to \$100,000. Revise CN schedule from fiscal year 2017 to 2018. CN cost remains \$950,000. All project costs will be funded with Federal STP funds and a soft match provided with Kentucky toll credits.

<u>Item# 02-715.00:</u> US 41: Intersection with Wolf Hills Road. Intersection project to improve safety. Revise ROW and U schedule from fiscal year 2016 to 2017. Revise ROW costs from \$100,000 to \$50,000. U cost remains \$100,000. All project costs will be funded with Federal STP funds and a soft match provided with Kentucky toll credits.

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The City of Henderson requested the following amendments:

<u>No Item#:</u> Wathen Lane: upgrade with widened lanes, curb, gutter and sidewalk from US 60 to city limits. Revise Preliminary Engineering (PE) schedule from fiscal year 2016 to 2017. PE costs of \$380,000 will be funded with \$304,000 in Federal STP funds and a \$76,000 local match.

<u>Item# 02-713.00:</u> Wathen Lane: Bridge replacement. Replace existing bridge with box culvert and guardrails. Revise U schedule from fiscal year 2016 to 2017. U costs of \$15,000 will be funded with \$12,000 in Federal STP funds and a \$3,000 local match.

Warrick County requested the following amendment:

<u>Des# 1593023:</u> Warrick County Bridge Inspections: Countywide bridge inspections and inventory program. Add PE funding in fiscal year 2018 and 2019. 2018 costs of \$149,760 will be funded with \$119,808 in Federal Bridge Program funds, and \$29,952 funded locally. 2019 costs of \$22,560 will be funded with \$18,048 in Federal Bridge Program funds, and \$4,512 funded locally.

Nick Hall made a motion for approval and Angie Higgins seconded the motion; motion carried.

## B. FY 2016-2019 TIP Administrative Modifications – presented by Craig Luebke

<u>Item# 02-991:</u> US 41: Installation of high friction surface on northbound US 41 from MP 20.090 to MP 20.290. Add project for construction in fiscal year 2016 under grouped projects "Pavement resurfacing, restoration and rehabilitation projects". The project is funded with \$140,000 in Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds. A soft match will be provided with Kentucky toll credits.

This item was informational and did not require committee action.

# C. Section 5310 Call for Projects for FY 2017 – presented by Matt Schriefer

The Evansville MPO announced the Section 5310 Call for Projects for FY 2017 on Friday, August 19, 2016. The announcement was made to METS, HART, and non-profit organizations that provide transportation to seniors and/or individuals with a disability. The announcement and application have also been added to the front page of the MPO website. This call is only for Section 5310 projects. A section 5339 call will be announced later using the same application process. Applications for Section 5310 are due to the MPO on Friday, September 30, 2016.

## 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nick Hall introduced Wade Clements, the Chief District Engineer for KYTC District 2. Mr. Clements will begin attending the MPO Policy Committee meetings.

Pam Drach announced that southern Indiana received \$49,000,000 from the statewide Community Crossings matching grant program. Of the \$49,000,000 received by southern Indiana, nearly \$3,500,000 went to local agencies within the Evansville MPO Planning Area. The Community Crossings program is a partnership between INDOT and communities across the state, both urban and rural, to invest in infrastructure projects that catalyze economic development, create jobs, and strengthen local transportation networks.

Meeting adjourned.