

# 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

# **February 8, 2018**

The following 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, Todd Robertson, Bruce Ungethiem, Doug Boom, Christy Powell, Rusty Fowler, Wade Clements

#### Members Absent (voting):

Dr. H. Dan Adams, Michael Lockard, Angela Koehler Lindsey, William Hubiak, Dan Saylor

#### Members Absent (non-voting):

Joe McGuinness, Mayela Sosa, Shawn Seals, Marisol Simon, Antonio Johnson, Susan Weber, Thomas Nelson, Jr., Bernadette Dupont, Greg Thomas, John Moore, Leslie Poff

#### Evansville MPO Staff Present:

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

#### Others Present:

Nick Stallings, Jason Ward, Don Gibbs, Thomas Witt

Jack Corn directed the meeting.

#### OFFICER ELECTIONS – CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN

Mayor Lloyd Winnecke nominated Jack Corn for Chairman and Todd Robertson seconded the motion; motion carried. Mayor Lloyd Winnecke nominated Christy Powell for Vice Chairman and Jack Corn seconded the motion; motion carried.

## 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Christy Powell made a motion for approval and Bruce Ungethiem seconded the motion; motion carried.

#### 2. OLD BUSINESS

# A. Project Update- presented by Pam Drach

# **CITY OF EVANSVILLE**

<u>Covert Avenue Road Diet:</u> Right-of-way engineering is underway.

Washington Avenue-2<sup>nd</sup> Street-Parrett Street Area: The right-of-way appraising process is complete.

Weinbach Avenue Road Diet: Stage 3 plans are being finalized for submission to INDOT.

## Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage Project:

- <u>Hi Rail Corridor:</u> The project was let for bid on January 18, 2018 and has been awarded to Koberstein Contracting Inc. for the low bid of \$2,253,292.
- <u>Mid Levee Connection (Cardinal Drive, between Stringtown Road and Heidelbach Avenue):</u> Coordination to secure the Levee Permit is on-going.

<u>Evansville-Vanderburgh Sign Inventory and Replacement:</u> The City and consultant are negotiating the preliminary engineering contract.

#### **VANDERBURGH COUNTY**

<u>Columbia-Delaware Bridge over Pigeon Creek:</u> Right-of-way engineering and APAs are complete. The environmental document is under review by INDOT.

#### TOWN OF NEWBURGH

<u>Newburgh Rivertown Trail:</u> Final Tracing documents were submitted to INDOT on January 15, 2018. The Vectren work plan has been completed and confirmation of eligibility for reimbursement is pending. The project has been moved to the October 11, 2018 letting.

#### WARRICK COUNTY

Bell Road, Highpoint Drive to Telephone Road: Right-of-way engineering is underway.

<u>Lincoln Avenue (Phase 3):</u> Phases II and III are near completion and work on Phase I is underway. Storm sewer installation is continuing on Phase IV.

Oak Grove Road (Phase 3): The project was let for bid on January 18, 2018 and has been awarded to Ragle Inc. for the low bid of \$3,699,098.

Warrick Trails SRTS: The Red Flag Analysis was submitted to INDOT for review.

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## **I-69 CORRIDOR**

<u>I-69 Ohio River Crossing:</u> Open house meetings were held on February 6 and 7, 2018. Each open house included two brief presentations about the refined alternatives being evaluated in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). Copies of open house materials will be available online by Tuesday, February 6 at <a href="www.I69ohiorivercrossing.com">www.I69ohiorivercrossing.com</a> and at the project offices. (Materials from the open houses were also handed out at the meeting.)

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

# B. Section 5310 Program Management Plan – presented by Matt Schriefer

A draft of the Section 5310: Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program Management Plan (PMP) update was made available for public comment from January 2, 2018 through February 1, 2018. A public notice was posted in the Evansville Courier & Press, the Henderson Gleaner, and on the MPO website regarding the 30-day public comment period. The draft was presented to the Technical and Policy Committees at the January meetings.

The PMP identifies the policies and procedures the MPO follows to administer the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Section 5310: Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities grant program. It also identifies the requirements the subrecipients must follow in order to be eligible for Section 5310 funding.

No comments were received during the public comment period. The final version will be posted on the MPO website at www.evansvillempo.com.

Todd Robertson made a motion for approval and Wade Clements seconded the motion; motion carried.

# 3. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. 2018 Transit Asset Management (TAM) Targets – presented by Matt Schriefer

In July 2016, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) issued a final rule requiring recipients of FTA funds to maintain – and document – minimum Transit Asset Management (TAM) standards. The new standards will help agencies keep their systems operating smoothly and efficiently. An initial set of TAM Targets were due by MPOs on July 1, 2017. The Technical and Policy Committees approved these initial Targets at the July 2017 meetings. Moving forward, TAM Targets will be updated at the beginning of each calendar year. The table below shows the end of 2017 Targets from last year, the end of 2017/beginning of 2018 actual, and the end of 2018 Targets.

Asset Class	Definition			2017 Target	2017 Actual	2018 Target
Rolling Stock All revenue vehicles	% of revenue vehicles that have met or exceeded their Useful Life Benchmark (ULB)	Van: 8 years <sup>1</sup>	Non- Profits:	33%	28%	17%
		Fixed route bus: 14 years <sup>1</sup>	METS/ HART:	7%	7%	0%
		Paratransit bus/all HART buses: 10 years <sup>1</sup>				
Equipment	% of equipment with a condition rating		METS/		_	_
Maintenance equipment or non-revenue vehicles	below 3.0 on FTA's Transit Economic Requirements Model (TERM) Scale		HART:	0%	0%	0%
Facilities All buildings or structures	% of facilities with a condition rating below 3.0 on FTA's Transit Economic Requirements Model (TERM) Scale		METS/ HART:	0%	0%	0%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Based on FTA's default Useful Life Benchmarks

## B. MTP 2045 Plan Update – presented by Erin Schriefer

The Evansville MPO is in the early stages of updating the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. This plan will, once adopted, replace the current 2040 MTP. Currently, MPO staff is gathering data needed to update existing network information. In the next week or so, a public survey will be announced on the MPO website and Facebook page. The MPO encourages everyone to fill it out and pass along to anyone they think may be interested.

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

#### C. FY 2017 & FY 2018 UPWP Amendment – presented by Kari Akin

The Evansville MPO is seeking approval to amend the FY 2017 & FY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to include the purchase of Remix software. Remix is a web-based transit planning and scheduling software platform that provides rapid route design, import/ analysis/modification of existing transit routes, demographic analysis, operating cost calculations, travel time visualizations, and Title VI analysis into a single integrated platform for transit planning.

This amendment will add this project of funding to Task 600 Special Studies - "Remix Software Project" with a total of \$24,050 (\$19,240 of Federal STP funds and \$4,810 in local funds provided by HART and METS based on a percentage of their current fleet).

Pages 15, 15b, 17, and 19 will be updated to reflect this amendment in the FY 2017 & FY 2018 UPWP upon approval.

Todd Robertson made a motion for approval and Mayor Lloyd Winnecke seconded the motion; motion carried.

# 4. OTHER BUSINESS

#### A. Approval of Bills

Mayor Lloyd Winnecke made a motion for approval and Christy Powell seconded the motion; motion carried.

#### 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

Meeting adjourned.