



# Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization

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## 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

November 4, 2010

### ROLL CALL

#### Members Present:

Glenn Boberg, Jaclyn Foote, Patrick Keepes, J.R. Ham, Gina Boaz, Doug Boom, Kelly Mitchell, Mary Raley, Angie Higgins

#### Evansville MPO Staff Present:

Brad Mills, Craig Luebke, Laura Lamb, Seyed Shokouzadeh, Rob Schaefer, Dave Stensaas

#### Others Present:

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Mr. Keepes:** The first item on the agenda is approval of minutes for the October meeting. Is there a motion for approval?

**Mr. Ham:** I don't know if it was in these minutes or the Policy Committee minutes but on page 2, it says Joe Prather instead of Michael Hancock as the secretary.

**Mr. Mills:** Where are you looking at J.R.?

**Mr. Ham:** I am looking at Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee meeting October 7, 2010.

**Mr. Mills:** This is the Technical meeting.

**Mr. Ham:** I wish you'd tell me which meeting I'm coming to.

**Mr. Mills:** We will adjust that.

**Mr. Ham:** So anywhere you have that, just change it to Mike Hancock who has been confirmed now.

**Mr. Keepes:** (Motion was made by Mr. Boberg and seconded by Mr. Kamp.) Voice vote. SO ORDERED.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **PROJECT UPDATE**

#### **CITY OF EVANSVILLE**

##### **Downtown Traffic Signal Modernization**

**Ms. Lamb:** A preconstruction meeting has been scheduled for November 9, 2010. Construction should begin in mid to late November, 2010. The contract completion date is currently set for August 19, 2011.

##### **Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage Project: 3C-5 (Kratzville/Fulton Bridge to Dresden Street)**

**Ms. Lamb:** This project is now complete.

#### **VANDERBURGH COUNTY**

##### **Green River Road (Lynch Road to Millersburg Road)**

**Ms. Lamb:** Completion of this project has been extended into the spring of 2011.

##### **Millersburg Road (Green River Road to Hedden Road):**

**Ms. Lamb:** Design work continues. The consultant is coordinating with the utilities in order to determine the roadway alignment.

##### **Maryland Street Bridge (over Pigeon Creek):**

**Ms. Lamb:** Environmental work is underway. The bridge inspection report is now complete.

##### **Burdette Park/University of Southern Indiana Trail (Phase 2-USI campus to south of Broadway Avenue)**

**Ms. Lamb:** This project is now complete.

##### **(Phase 3-south of Broadway Avenue to Nurrenbern Road)**

**Ms. Lamb:** This would complete that trail. This project has been added to the INDOT website with a proposed letting date of January 12, 2011.

## WARRICK COUNTY

### Oak Grove Road:

**Ms. Lamb:** A public hearing has been scheduled for November 18, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the J.H. Castle Elementary School gymnasium located at 3077 Highway 261 in Newburgh. The purpose of the hearing is to offer all interested persons an opportunity to comment on the current design plans to reconstruct Oak Grove Road from the County line to SR 261. The project will consist of two twelve-foot wide travel lanes and wider shoulders. If anybody has any questions about that, they can contact me in our office and I can get you more details on the hearing.

### INDOT

#### SR 62 (Warrick County):

##### Phase II (6<sup>th</sup> Street in Chandler to Eskew Road)

**Ms. Lamb:** According to INDOT, completion of this project has been extended beyond the November 1, 2010 contract deadline due to delays in utility relocations earlier in the project. INDOT is still hoping for completion within this construction season if good weather continues.

#### SR 66 (Warrick County):

##### Phase II (SR 261 to French Island Trail)

**Ms. Lamb:** According to INDOT, this project is now complete.

### KYTC

#### KY 351/Zion Road:

**Ms. Lamb:** Preliminary design work is underway for this project which will correct horizontal and vertical alignment, widen the shoulders and install guardrails to increase safety along the corridor. Those are all the projects I have for you today. Are there any questions about those projects?

**Mr. Keepes:** If there are no questions, thank you Laura.

## NEW BUSINESS

### A. FY 2011 EMPO Section 5316 and 5317 Administration Grant Applications

**Mr. Schaefer:** The Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization requests approval to submit the FY 2011 Evansville MPO Section 5316 JARC and Section 5317 New Freedom grant applications to the Federal Transit Administration. Ten percent of the annually apportioned JARC and New Freedom funding is available to the MPO for administration. The administration portion is 100% federally funded. Attached is the program of projects. Things that we do for the administration of these programs are creation of the coordinated plan, call for projects, application selection process, technical assistance, and general oversight of the program. So we request your approval.

**Mr. Keepes:** Thank you Rob. Any questions? If not, I would entertain a motion for approval. (Motion was made by Ms. Mitchell and seconded by Ms. Raley.) Voice vote. SO ORDERED.

B. FY 2011 METS Section 5316 and 5317 Capital and Operating Grant Applications

**Mr. Schaefer:** The MPO requests approval to submit the FY 2011 Metropolitan Evansville Transit System Section 5316 and Section 5317 grant applications to the Federal Transit Administration. The program of projects and project funding sources are included in the attached page. In summary, for the JARC program, METS will be purchasing a vehicle and operating fixed route. They will be using capital funds for a vehicle that is 80% federal and 20% local match. Then operating that fixed route which is 50/50 match. Then for the New Freedom program, they will be purchasing a vehicle which is the 80/20 again and operating METS Mobility which is 50% federal and 50% local match. Kerry Kamp is here is you have any questions about those two programs.

**Mr. Keepes:** Any questions?

**Mr. Kamp:** Rob, when will those funds be available?

**Mr. Schaefer:** Probably the beginning of the year, January or February.

**Mr. Keepes:** Any other questions? If not, do we have a motion for approval? (Motion was made by Mr. Boberg and seconded by Ms. Raley.) Voice vote. SO ORDERED.

C. FY 2010-2013 TIP Amendments

**Mr. Luebke:** For those of you that were here last month, I am happy to report that we only have two TIP amendments. The first of those is in the City of Evansville.

DES #0100574

**Mr. Luebke:** This is the pedestrian bridge over the Lloyd Expressway at the old State Hospital property just west of Vann Avenue. The City would like to seek the construction bridge over the Lloyd Expressway at that location. We are revising the project. This was prior to the INDOT program, with some money for construction. We are going to institute preliminary engineering in FY 2011. The total cost of that is \$344,000. You do see the funding there. That is STP funds and a local match. As I said, the project is being relocated from the INDOT program to the local program. We have identified illustrative construction funding totaling \$1,000,000 out there as well. Are there any questions about that project?

NO DES #

**Mr. Luebke:** This is a request from METS to revise the Section 5307 program for FY 2011. This essentially aligns the final budget figure of \$8,639,620. You see the fundings split between federal 5307 state transit funds and local funds there as well.

**Mr. Keepes:** Any questions for Craig? If not, the Committee will entertain a motion for approval of the TIP amendments as presented. (Motion was made by Mr. Boberg and seconded by Ms. Foote) Voice vote. SO ORDERED.

D. FY 2011 Meeting Schedule

**Mr. Keepes:** Are these all Thursday meetings, same time, same room?

**Mr. Mills:** The first Thursday of the month.

**Mr. Keepes:** Does that work for everybody? Very good.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Mr. Ham:** I have a non-public comment. I am used to Policy Minutes being looked at in the previous meeting, so I am confused. So just ignore that part. We finally have a new Kentucky STIP which will be meeting with Craig on in District 2. We will be coming forth with some amendments for you guys to address sometime soon. Will there be a meeting in December? That may be pertinent for lettings or it may not for Kentucky. I don't know yet.

**Mr. Mills:** Typically we cancel it. That is for the Policy Committee to make the action on. Usually as we get closer, if INDOT hasn't made any TIP amendments, then typically it gets cancelled. We will have to let you know in the future.

**Mr. Keepes:** Thank you.

Meeting adjourned.