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## EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Regular meeting held at 10:00 a.m. in Room 301  
Civic Center Complex – Administration Building  
Evansville, Indiana**

**March 4, 2010**

### **ROLL CALL**

#### Members Present:

Glenn Boberg, William Harty, Randy Archer, Richard Meyer, Patrick Keepes, John Stoll, Kerry Kamp, Nick Hall, Mary Raley, Gina Boaz

#### Evansville MPO Staff Present:

Brad Mills, Craig Luebke, Laura Lamb, Dave Stensaas, Kari Akin, Rob Schaefer, Seyed Shokouhzadeh

#### Others Present:

none

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Mr. Keepes:** The first item on the agenda is approval of minutes for the February meeting. Is there a motion for approval? (Motion was made by Mr. Harty and seconded by Mr. Boberg.) **SO ORDERED.**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A. PROJECT UPDATE**

##### **CITY OF EVANSVILLE**

##### Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage Project:

**Ms. Lamb:** I don't have anything highlighted for the Pigeon Creek Greenway, but Glenn and I were talking earlier... Phase 3C-2 from Franklin Street to Lamasco Park did make the February 24<sup>th</sup> letting even though the results haven't been made official yet. He said that they did award the construction engineering to Beam, Longest, & Neff at the Parks Board meeting yesterday.

## **VANDERBURGH COUNTY**

### University Parkway: Phase 2 (Upper Mt. Vernon Road to Marx Road)

**Ms. Lamb:** Construction has begun and the contract completion date is currently set for April 2011

### Burdette Park/University of Southern Indiana Trail Phase 2 (USI campus to south of Broadway Ave.)

**Ms. Lamb:** Construction will begin as soon as a Notice to Proceed is issued by INDOT. The contract completion date is currently set for November 2010.

## **TOWN OF NEWBURGH**

### Main Street, Jennings Street and Plum Street

**Ms. Lamb:** Utility relocation is underway and construction is expected to begin around April 1<sup>st</sup>. The project should be complete by September, 2010.

## **INDOT PROJECTS**

### US Highway 41 – Lloyd Expressway Interchange

**Ms. Lamb:** According to INDOT's website, the letting date for this project has been pushed back to March 2011. Discussions with the project manager indicate right-of-way acquisition will take approximately two years which may push the letting back to 2012. In addition, drainage facilities included in the North Phase of the Highway 41 pavement replacement project, which is listed below, must be in place before construction on the interchange can begin.

### US Highway 41, Eagle Creek Slough to SR 66/Diamond Avenue:

**Ms. Lamb:** This is a pavement replacement project. The North Phase, for which the drainage is dependent on for the interchange, INDOT is projecting this phase to be let in 2011. That would be from north of the Lloyd Expressway to Diamond Avenue. The South Phase which is from Lloyd Expressway down to Eagle Creek Slough near I-164 is to be let probably in 2013.

### SR 62 (Warrick County): Phase IV (.25 miles west of SR 261 to SR 61)

**Ms. Lamb:** According to INDOT's website, this project was included on the letting list scheduled for March 3, 2010. Results of that letting are not currently available.

## **KYTC PROJECTS**

### US Highway 41A/Green Street – KY 136/Sand Lane

**Ms. Lamb:** Construction is expected to begin the second week of March, and the contract completion date is currently set for July 31, 2010. That would be all of my updates. Does anybody have any questions about those or any additions?

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

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. FY 2008-2011 TIP Amendment**

DES #0901886

**Mr. Luebke:** We have some new business on an old business. Even though we had a TIP that was approved last month that has not had final approval from everybody to where it is actually active yet. We need to amend the old TIP. We are adding the INDOT project DES# 0901886 for SR 68 which is pavement replacement from 1.58 miles east to 2.18 miles east of SR 57. They are adding the project for preliminary engineering and construction in FY 2010. You see the cost figures there, \$10,000 in preliminary engineering; 1.4M in construction funding. This is a project that is included in the new TIP but was not in the old TIP. So that is the one that is currently in place until we get approval from Federal Highway on the new one. So we needed to have this one on here. Any questions?

**Mr. Keepes:** If there are no questions for Craig, the committee will entertain a motion for approval. (Motion was made by Mr. Harty and seconded by Mr. Stoll.) SO ORDERED.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Mr. Keepes:** Is there anybody in the audience who would like to make a public comment?

**Mr. Harty:** I've always got one. St. Joe Avenue is working well. But there are two blind corners there. When you are going east on W. Virginia Street at St. Joe, it is awful hard to get out there. When you are going west on Michigan Street trying to get out of the old doctor's office there, there are a couple of real blind spots, that I don't know how you could improve out in the open like that. But those are the only two problems that I can see. But it is working wonderfully. Thank you.

**Mr. Mills:** You know what a doctor says, if it hurts when you do that, don't do that.

**Mr. Keepes:** I am familiar with the locations you are talking about. But unfortunately, to remedy those, it would require purchase of those structures. I don't think that is an option at this point. So you do have to exercise some caution at those intersections. I have heard those concerns on a couple of other occasions.

**Mr. Keepes:** Any other public comments today? (None.)

Meeting adjourned.