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**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
OF THE
OWENSBORO-DAVISS COUNTY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

February 27, 2018

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The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of the Owensboro-Daviess County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) met on February 27, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held in Room 406, City Hall, Owensboro, Kentucky. A quorum was present with the members as listed:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bill Parrish, Owensboro City Manager, Chairman
Kevin Collignon, City of Owensboro, City Engineer
Nick Hall, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, District 2
Scott Atherton, Kenergy
Barry House, KYTC, Division of Planning
Brian Howard, Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission (OMPC)
Candance Brake, Greater Owensboro Chamber of Commerce
Dan Lanham, Owensboro Area Community Services
Charlie Castlen, Daviess County Commissioner
Dean Behnke, Regional Water Resource Agency (RWRA)
Mark Brasher, Daviess County Engineer
Bob Whitmer, Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport
Mark Snell, Greater Owensboro Economic Development Corporation (GO-EDC)
Jiten Shah, Executive Director, GRADD

MEMBERS ABSENT

Brian Wright, Owensboro Riverport Authority
Tim Lyons, Owensboro Municipal Utilities (OMU)
Sgt. Brad Martin, Owensboro Police Department (OPD)
Scott Wedding, Daviess County Sheriff's Department
Bernadette Dupont, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

Kelly Thurman, Chairman David Johnston, Vice Chairman Brad Schneider, Secretary Al Mattingly, Jr., Treasurer Jiten Shah, Executive Director

GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

Al Mattingly, Daviess County Judge/Executive
Dirk Dooper, City of Owensboro Assistant City Engineer
Austin Ramsay, Messenger-Inquirer
Joanna Shake, GRADD
Gina Boaz, GRADD
Jennifer Alvey, GRADD
Jennifer Marks, GRADD
Tom Lovett, GRADD

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bill Parrish, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

II. GRADD REORGANIZATION/INTRODUCTION OF STAFF

Jiten Shah introduced members of his staff who were present at this meeting and explained their new duties in light of the retirement of Keith Harpole.

III. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the November 28, 2017, meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) were reviewed.

A motion was made by Candance Brake and seconded by Charlie Castlen to approve the minutes of the November 28, 2017, TAC meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Daviess County Judge/Executive Al Mattingly addressed the committee to express his concerns about the removal of \$2.9 million in federal highway funds allocated for the restructuring of US 60, west of Owensboro, from the state highway plan. Barry House and Nick Hall of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet explained how the state's money was allocated under the SHIFT prioritization. Judge Mattingly and several members of the committee said they had been led to believe that since the US 60 funding had already been approved, it was exempt from the SHIFT process. Mr. House explained the SHIFT process and said this was a case of a project "slipping through the cracks."

Judge Mattingly told the committee that he was writing a letter to the members of the Kentucky House and Senate who represent Owensboro and Daviess County, asking that they try to get the US 60 funding restored to the highway bill. He asked for the MPO's support in writing the letter. After discussion, it was decided that the MPO would write its own letter to Owensboro and Daviess County Legislators, making the same request.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Bike/Pedestrian Master Plan

Tom Lovett, the new MPO Director, is seeking input on how best to proceed with the Bike/Pedestrian Master Plan. Specifically, he asked if the TAC preferred the plan to remain one document or be split into two; a Bike Master Plan and a Pedestrian Master Plan. After discussion, it was decided to proceed with one plan. Candance Brake asked that the MPO produce a brochure detailing bicycling opportunities in the Owensboro-Daviess County area.

B. Safety Performance Measures Resolution

Jennifer Alvey presented a Safety Performance Measures Resolution which seeks the TAC adopting a set of Safety Performance Measures established by the KYTC. Barry House recommended adopting the resolution, saying that the largest MPOs, such as Louisville and Cincinnati, were developing their own performance measures.

A motion was made by Mark Snell and seconded by Charlie Castlen to adopt the resolution. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Draft FY '19 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Gina Boaz addressed the committee regarding the UPWP. No action was needed.

B. Title VI Plan

Jennifer Marks presented the Title VI Plan. No action was needed.

C. Kentucky Recommended Highway Plan

Gina Boaz addressed the committee regarding the Kentucky Recommended Highway Plan. This brought more discussion of the US 60 project money that had been cut. Members reiterated their resolve to send a letter to local Legislators.

D. Administrative Modifications #8 and #9

Jennifer Alvey updated the committee on two administrative modifications to the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP). No action was needed.

VII. UPDATES

None

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

None

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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