

2. Minutes

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 11/15/2021

The Transportation Advisory Committee held a virtual TEAMS meeting on Monday November 15, 2021, at 4:30 pm.

Members Present

W.B. Bullock, Robbie Davis, Louise Hinton, Richard Joyner, Chris Miller, Melvin Mitchell, David Pride, Evelyn Powell

Members Absent

None.

Others Present

Secretary Brad Kerr, Kevin Bowen, Jennifer Collins, Perry Keeter, Bob League, Bill Marley, Carlos Moya, Jordan Reedy

Welcome and Introductions

Secretary Kerr called the meeting of the TAC to order at 4:03 pm with a quorum present. He welcomed those online to the virtual TEAMS meeting. Mr. Reedy introduced all in attendance.

Minutes of the 09/20/21

The minutes of the September 20, 2021 TAC meeting had been mailed to members with the current meeting agenda. Secretary Kerr asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. Mr. Mitchell made the motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Pride seconded, and the minutes were approved unanimously as presented.

Action Items

STIP Amendments. Mr. League reviewed the seven project amendments provided in the agenda package as follows:

At the regularly scheduled monthly NC Board of Transportation meetings, Item N is a standing order of business to adopt changes to the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Adopted changes need to also be adopted by the respective MPO and RPO. Typically, changes are proposed one month and brought back for the final review and adoption the following month.

The STIP amendments from the October and November NCBOT meetings for the Rocky Mount MPO are listed below.

#1 HS-2004B, NASH, NC 97, left turn lane at Old Carriage Road
Delay construction from FY 21 to FY 22

#2 HO-005 Various Statewide CMAQ Projects (add this new project to the MTIP)

#3 BL-0032 Cokey Rd & Rex St Sidewalk, move construction from FY 24 to FY 23

#4 HS-2004M NC 48, INSTALL MINI ROUNDABOUTS ALONG NC 48 (GOLDROCK ROAD) AT WATERLOO DRIVE / ROUNDTREE DRIVE AND AT GREYSON ROAD / CUNNINGHAM DRIVE. ADD PROJECT BREAK AT THE REQUEST OF THE TRANSPORTATION MOBILITY AND SAFETY DIVISION. RIGHT-OF-WAY FY 2022 - \$365,000 (HSIP) CONSTRUCTION FY 2023 - \$1,210,000 Total (HSIP) \$1,575,000

#5 I-6045A US 64 (FUTURE I-87), BRIDGE REHABILITATION FOR 630072 AND 630074. TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PLANNING AND DESIGN, DELAY CONSTRUCTION FROM FY 21 TO FY 22. CONSTRUCTION FY 2022 - \$8,000 (NHPIM) FY 2023 - \$742,000 (NHPIM) Total \$750,000

#6 U-5947 NC 43 (BENVENUE ROAD), US 64 BYPASS OFFRAMP. CONSTRUCT ROUNDABOUT. COST INCREASE EXCEEDING \$2 MILLION AND 25% THRESHOLDS. RIGHT-OF-WAY FY 2022 - \$80,000 (T) UTILITIES FY 2022 - \$800,000 (T) CONSTRUCTION FY 2022 - \$1,655,000 (T) FY 2023 - \$3,145,000 (T) Total \$5,680,000

Mr. Davis made the motion to approve the STIP Amendments and Ms. Hinton seconded. The Committee agreed with no descent.

Support for Nashville Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grant. Mr. League asked the TAC to support by resolution the Nashville Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grant application. Ms. Miller stated the motion to approve, and Ms. Hinton seconded. The vote was unanimously in favor.

TAC Meeting Schedule for 2022. The proposed schedule of February 21, May 16, September 19, and November 21 was introduced by Secretary Kerr. Ms. Miller stated the motion to approve and Mr.; Davis seconded. The Committee was unanimously in agreement for the 2022 schedule.

TAC Chairperson. Secretary Kerr asked if the Committee was ready to elect a new Chairperson. He said the election could be postponed. Two new members will be coming on the committee to fill the seats of Ms. Miller an Mr. Bullock. Ms. Miller made the motion to delay the election of a Chairperson. Ms. Hinton seconded. The vote was unanimous to delay the election.

Transportation Planning Activities and Initiatives

Safety Performance Measures. Mr. League noted that the staff would bring SPMs for approval to the February 21, 2022, TAC meeting.

Information Items

STIP Project Status. Mr. League noted the following project developments:

U-5026 & R-5720 (Sunset Ave / I-95 Interchange and Eastern Ave widening) - NCDOT reports that 28% of the project has been completed. The \$60M project completion date is April 2024.

B-5980 (I-95 Interchange Improvements at Halifax Road, SR1544) - \$23M (work began 9/9/2021) 11% complete. The completion date is 4/29/2024.

U-5996 Old Carriage Road widening – Tentative Let Date January 18, 2022.

U-5947 Benvenue Rd/US 64 Ramp Roundabout – Tentative Let Date February 15, 2022.

Other Business

Secretary Kerr asked if there was any other business. Mr. Davis asked for an update on the proposal for a turning lane on Halifax Road at Ketch Point Drive, and a roundabout at Halifax Road and NC Hwy 97. Mr. Bowen said he would get that information and share it.

Announcements

Mr. Kerr announced the next TAC meeting will be February 21, 2022, at 4:30 pm.

Adjournment

Ms. Miller made the adjourn motion. Mr. Mitchell seconded. All approved. The TAC adjourned at 5:01 pm.