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TPO Executive Board
January 28, 2015
9:00 a.m.
Small Assembly Room
City/County Building
Knoxville, TN
AGENDA

Determination of a Quorum

1. Approval of November 19, 2014 Minutes

Presenter: Mayor Ralph McGill, Chair

Item Summary: Approval of November 19, 2014 TPO Executive Board Minutes.

[Attachment #1 - November 19, 2014 Minutes](#)

2. Motion to Approve a Resolution to Amend the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program

Presenter: Bryan Berry, TPO staff

Item Summary: The following proposed Amendments to the TIP are listed below.

Technical Committee recommends approval.

[Attachment #2 - Resolution](#)

[Attachment #2A - Amendment 2014-304 \(HELP Truck Expansion Program\)](#) – Amend the following project by adding it to the 2014-2017 TIP to expand the existing TDOT Freeway Service Patrol Program by acquiring three new HELP trucks, three operators, and expanding routes to provide coverage and services during peak hours in the Knoxville air quality nonattainment and maintenance area. The amount to add is CMAQ funds totaling \$945,720 for FY 2015 Purchasing (\$252,381) and Operations for FY 2015 (\$231,113), FY 2016 (\$231,113), and 2017 (\$231,113). This is a TDOT project.

[Attachment #2B - Amendment 2014-070 \(Lenoir City CBD Pedestrian Improvements\)](#) - Amend the project by removing the FY 2014 TAP funds. Add FY 2015 L-STP funds for Preliminary Engineering and Design (PE-D) in the amount of \$200,000 (\$160,000 federal and \$40,000 local). Add FY 2016 L-STP funds for Construction (CON) in the amount of \$800,000 (\$640,000 federal and \$160,000 local). Change the total project cost from \$200,000 to \$1,000,000.

3. Motion to Approve a Resolution Supporting Retention of the Existing Fort Loudon Dam Bridge

Presenter: Jeff Welch, TPO Staff

Item Summary: This Resolution was submitted at the request of Lenoir City and Loudon County. Preserving the existing structure would provide a once in a lifetime opportunity to create a non motorized crossing over the Tennessee River in East Tennessee.

Technical Committee recommends approval.

[Attachment #3 – Resolution](#)

4. Election of Officers

Presenter: Mayor Ralph McGill, Chair

Item Summary: The Bylaws state that the Executive Board shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair from its membership. Such election shall be by a majority vote of that membership. Election of officers shall take place on the first meeting of the calendar year and term of office shall be for two years. An officer is eligible to serve a maximum of 2 consecutive terms. The TPO Director shall serve as permanent Secretary to the Executive Board.

[Attachment #4 - TPO Executive Board Chairs and Vice-Chairs from 1993 to Present](#)

5. Motion to Approve the Ranking of Proposed TDOT Highway Projects

Presenter: Mike Conger, TPO Staff

Item Summary: TDOT has asked the TPO to rank a proposed list of transportation improvement projects in the attached project list (Attachment #5A). The Technical Committee recommends the ranking of projects as shown on the Attachment #5A.

Technical Committee recommends approval.

[Attachment #5A - Knoxville Project Recommendations 3 - Year Work Program Fall 2014](#)

[Attachment #5B - Project Map](#)

[Attachment #5C - Project Descriptions Other Needs 2015](#)

6. Other Business

- The Blount County SMiles Program (Senior SMiles: Neighbors Driving Neighbors) volunteer team has been awarded \$4000.00 from the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (N4A) and the Aging Network Volunteer Resource Center. This stemmed from a national competition that recognizes and supports the work that trained volunteer teams are doing in their communities and their efforts to support older adults with transportation and other needs.
- Knox County CAC Transit and the University of Tennessee Industrial and Systems Engineering Department received Round 3 funding from the U.S. Administration for Community Living - a program administered by the Community Transportation Association of America in partnership with N4A, Easter Seals, and Westat, under the banner *Transportation Planning for All*. CAC & UT have developed a tablet-based application that facilitates communication between riders and drivers of public transportation. The Round 3 funding will allow for extensive field testing and refinement of the application's functionality.
- The City of Knoxville and the TPO have each been awarded a free technical assistance workshop, 2 of 14 awarded for 2015 by Smart Growth America, a national nonprofit that advocates for better cities, towns, and neighborhoods. Through the program, the City and the TPO will receive hands-on assistance from national experts on how to cultivate investments that will spur quality growth and transit-oriented development.
- Technical Committee meeting Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building.
- Executive Board meeting Wednesday, February 25, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building.
- **The March 2015 Executive Board meeting will be held *immediately following the March 10, 2015 Technical Committee meeting.***

7. Public Comment

Members of the public may address the Executive Board with a five-minute time limitation for each person.

8. Adjournment