



French Broad River Metropolitan Planning Organization
Minutes from the TCC meeting on August 13, 2015

ATTENDANCE:

Brendan Merithew
Jonathan Kanipe
Matt Champion
Kris Boyd
Mark Bieberdorf
Jeff Wells

Autumn Radcliff
Andrew Bowen
Mariate Echeverry
Josh O'Conner
Jason Burrell
Denise Braine

Joel Setzer
Ken Putnam
Forrest Gilliam
Andrew Bowen
Rick Tipton

Non-Voting at TCC

Jack Debnam
John Mitchell
Michael Riesman
Scott Collier

Tristan Winkler
Vicki Eastland
Kristina Solberg
Erica Anderson

Zia Rifkin
Celeste Whitman
Julie Mayfield

WELCOME AND HOUSEKEEPING

Josh O'Conner opened the meeting and introductions followed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

Josh O'Conner indicated that the consent agenda included May minutes, UPWP Modifications, TIP Amendments and Modifications. Josh O'Conner requested that the May minutes be reviewed regarding the roster. No comments were made regarding the minutes.

Mark Bieberdorf made a motion to approve the Agenda and the Consent Agenda as presented. Mariate Echeverry seconded the motion which was approved upon a vote and without further discussion.

REGULAR UPDATES

Regular updates included NCDOT Division 13 and 14 updates, Transportation Planning Branch updates and MPO subcommittee and staff updates. No FHWA updates presented.

BUSINESS

SPOT 4.0 Existing Project Modifications, Deletions, and Anticipated Intersections and Interchanges

Vicki Eastland provided an overview of SPOT 4.0 and she explained some of the scoring methodology changes approved by the Board of Transportation for this round of Prioritization. Projects under review

today are to be submitted for scoring to the NCDOT SPOT office. The MPO and Division Engineers will be assigning points in the spring and summer of 2016. Tristan Winkler reviewed the list modifications. A motion was requested on the items presented to move those forward.

Ken Putnam made a motion to approve the SPOT 4.0 project modifications as presented. Forrest Gilliam seconded the motion which was unanimously approved upon a vote and without further discussion.

Draft List of Submissions for SPOT 4.0 Scoring

Tristan Winkler shared that the draft list of SPOT 4.0 projects, largely existing projects that are in the SPOT database and those that have a need to be prioritized locally. It was shared that those will come back before the TCC in September. Discussion occurred regarding the color-coding on the project list and that was explained by staff. Tristan Winkler communicated that Henderson County folks will see the list of that county's projects before September.

Draft MTP

Tristan Winkler shared that the final document is due September 24th and the working draft is on the website for review.

Public Involvement Policy Amendments

Tristan Winkler informed the TCC that the current policy calls for a 30 day public review/comment period of the MTP once it has been presented in draft form. The policy amendment proposed would shorten the public comments period to 21 days and would only apply to the MTP.

Jason Burrell made a motion to approve the amendment to the public involvement policy. Mark Bieberdorf seconded the motion which was unanimously approved upon a vote and without further discussion.

Election of Vice Chair

Josh O'Conner shared that Matt Cable (current TCC Vice Chair) has left his position with Henderson County necessitating the need to elect a new Vice Chair. He called for nominations.

Denise Braine nominated Autumn Radcliff (Henderson County). No other nominations were forthcoming. The motion stood and was seconded. Upon a vote the motion to elect Autumn Radcliff as the new Vice Chair was approved without further discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, NEWS, SPECIAL UPDATES

No announcements at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were presented.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mariate Echeverry and the meeting stood adjourned.