



**TMACOG TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2019**

Members and Alternates Present: Keith Earley, Joe Shaw, Mike Brillhart (VA), John Crandall, Oliver Turner (A), Chris Delaney, Stacey Clink, Mike Pniewski (VA), John Musteric, Kacey Young, Tom Kovacik, Ray Huber, Ron Myers, Kris Cousino (A), Edgar Avila, Ken Fallows, Neil Munger, Mike Gramza

Other Interested Parties Present: Julie Thomas

TMACOG Staff Present: Marissa Bechstein, Jodi Cole, Lance Dasher, David Gedeon, Lia Householder, Austin Mack

Call to Order – Chair Keith Earley brought the meeting to order with introductions around the room.

Approval of Minutes – A motion was made by Chris Delaney and seconded by John Musteric to approve the June 5, 2019 meeting minutes; the motion passed unanimously.

Financial (Expense) Report – Dave Gedeon presented the expense reports for, July 1, 2019 through July 27, 2019. The financial report showed 7.66% of the budget has been completed with 6.01% expended. A motion was made by Mike Gramza and seconded by Chris Delaney to approve the expense report as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

TMACOG TIP Solicitation – Lance Dasher discussed the recently held solicitation for STBGP, CMAQ, and TAP funding. In total there were 35 STBGP applications- \$70M, 13 CMAQ applications - \$23M, and 8 TAP applications - \$3.1M. A scoring committee made up of TIP committee members will meet on August 21 to score and rank the applications. The applications are available for review on the TMACOG website.

Statewide TRAC Process and District 2 Application – Kacey Young discussed the recently held round of TRAC projects. ODOT D2 submitted one application this year, the 3-lane widening of I-475 from Airport Highway to US 24 and the construction of the US 20A interchange. The project scored 69.5 points and was ranked third among the 27 other applications received statewide.

TARTA Update – Stacey Clink and Daniel Woodcock from TARTA came to update the council on the recent changes that have taken place within TARTA.

Public Comment Period – No public comments at this time.

Standing and Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Transportation Council Standing Committee Reports:

TIP – Ed O’Reilly was unable to attend the meeting. Lance Dasher reported on the following modification.

Lance reported on modification #11 by saying that it requests the addition of \$97,232 to PID 99004 (WOO North Baltimore Central Business District Enhancement) for the City of North Baltimore, the movement of PID 98999 (LUC Kilburn Road Bike Lanes Phase I) from FY 2021 to FY 2020 at the request of Lucas County, and switching the source of funds on PID 10163 (LUC 280 2.81 Veterans Glass City Skyway) from federal to state at the request of ODOT.

A motion was made by John Crandall and seconded by Neil Munger to approve the modification as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

Pedestrian & Bikeways – Ed O’Reilly was unable to attend the meeting. Lance Dasher reported that the committee discussed signed bike routes from Toledo to the State House. He also mentioned Walk.Bike.Ohio and that TMACOG held an event with ODOT to focus on walking and biking policies and programs around the state.

Freight – Ray Huber reported that committee submitted their list of projects for the 2045 plan 2020 update.

Planning – Ron Myers reported that the last meeting was in April. The next meeting is scheduled for August 21. Dave Gedeon introduced Marissa Bechstein who is new to TMACOG and will be the lead staff for the Planning Committee.

System Performance and Monitoring – Andy Langenderfer was unable to attend the meeting. Lisa Householder reported that their next meeting is scheduled for September 9.

Public Transit – Shelley Papenfuse was unable to attend the meeting. There is nothing new to report at this time.

Passenger Rail – Tim Porter was unable to attend the meeting. There is nothing new to report at this time.

Major Project Updates/Other Committees:

Major Projects – Kacey Young reported that Dorr Street project will go up for sale on October 10. ODOT is still facing delays on Anthony Wayne trail due to availability of track time. She gave a brief update on several other projects around the area.

Autonomous Vehicle Steering Committee – Edgar Avila reported the next meeting will be held in September. Dave Gedeon informed the council that TMACOG staff in connection with ConnecToledo, TLCPA, City of Toledo, TARTA, UT, and the Metroparks of Toledo are working together to develop a Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) grant application. The project is focused on areas around downtown Toledo and the riverfront to improve parking technology, wayfinding, and improve multimodal transportation options.

Vice President’s Report – Dave reported on a few additional items.

Dave stated that the with the approval of the increased gasoline tax, there was a requirement added to the Ohio Revised Code the states the any entity that receives funding from the tax must report an annual status update to their website. The full context can be found in Ohio Revised Code § 5735.43.

Dave let the council know that Governor DeWine requested that ODOT compile a list of the top 150 locations needing safety improvements. The list includes 50 urban, 50 suburban, and 50 rural intersections. Of the 150 locations, eleven projects are located in District 2 and seven are in the TMACOG area. ODOT will fully pay for and manage the projects. Ten locations are under construction this summer, five locations are being built by district or local forces, 91 locations are under design or being assigned consultants (have already completed safety studies), 28 locations are under study, and 23 locations are under review because of design complexity.

Dave mentioned that ODOT will conduct a second round of Access Ohio 2045 Public Meetings this fall. A session will be held in Toledo on Tuesday, October 15th from 4:00 – 7:00 pm in the Martin Luther King Jr Plaza Grand Lobby.

Dave told the council that TMACOG is again partnering with the Ability Center to conduct a session titled “Access to Buildings under the ADA Act” to be held on Friday, September 27th from 9:00am-12:00pm in the Martin Luther King Jr Plaza Grand Lobby. Department of Justice architect, Diane Perry, will offer an overview of ADA accessibility requirements, an informative panel will discuss the intersection of the ADA and the Ohio Building Code, and Mark Achinger from Habitat for Humanity will discuss the creation of a universal design floor plan at this free seminar.

Roundtable – Nothing to discuss.

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Upcoming events:

- **Access to Building under the ADA Act** – Friday, September 27th, 9:00am-12:00pm, Martin Luther King Jr Plaza Grand Lobby
- **TMACOG Tech – Tools, Rules, and Legal Components for Managing Meetings** – Wednesday, October 9th, 8:30am-10:30am, Martin Luther King Jr Plaza Grand Lobby
- **Access Ohio 2045 Public Meeting** – Wednesday, October 15th, 4:00-7:00 pm, Martin Luther King Jr Plaza Grand Lobby

Next Meeting/Adjournment – The next meeting will be September 4, 2019. A motion for adjournment was made by Keith Earley and seconded by Tom Kovacik.