



**TMACOG TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2018**

Members and Alternates Present: Edgar Avila, James Bagdonas, Ted Bowlus, Joe Cappel, Kris Cousino, John Crandall, Keith Earley, Ken Fallows, Jim Gee, Mike Gramza, Jim Jacobs, Tom Kovacik, Jeff Lohse, Neil Munger, Ron Myers, Ed O'Reilly, Shelley Papenfuse, Mary Ellen Poturalski, Joe Shaw, Doug Stephens

Other Interested Parties Present: Mike Pniewski, Kathy Streng, Julie Thomas

TMACOG Staff Present: Tim Brown, Jodi Cole, Lance Dasher, Dana Doubler, David Gedeon, Gilda Mitchell, Roger Streiffert

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

Approval of Minutes – A motion was made by Mary Ellen Poturalski and seconded by Ken Fallows to approve the August 1, 2018 meeting minutes; the motion passed unanimously.

Financial (Expense) Report – Dave Gedeon presented the expense reports for, July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. The financial report showed 100% of the budget has been completed with 84.33% expended. This report reflects true actual numbers. A motion was made by Ken Fallows and seconded by Ron Myers to approve the expense report as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

FY 2019 AWP and Budget Amendment #1 – Dave Gedeon submitted the Budget Amendment #1 for approval. The original FY 2019 budget that was approved included estimates of planning funds. Now the amendment is necessary to include actual funding amounts and FY 2018 carryover dollars. The amendment reduces the overall transportation budget by \$13,158 due to a lower than anticipated amount of carryover funds. In the amendment, funds were allocated for the Autonomous Vehicle Special Study (\$20,000) and a new Annual Work Program section was drafted to accompany it. A motion was made by Ed O'Reilly and seconded by John Crandall to approve amendment and work program section as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

FY 2018 Annual Work Program Completion Report – Dave Gedeon reviewed the major highlights for the FY 2018. As a condition for receiving federal transportation planning funds, TMACOG is required to submit a Completion Report to ODOT documenting work accomplished related to our Annual Work Program. The full document is available on the web page. A motion was made by Tom Kovacik and seconded by Doug Stephens to approve the completion report as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

TMACOG Public Involvement Policy Update – Dave Gedeon explained that the TMACOG Public Involvement Policy was last updated in 2015. The 2018 document updates the TMACOG committee structure (most notably the change from the Environmental department to the Water Quality department), references to the Fast Act, and the updating of Environmental Justice data and maps. A motion was made by Ken Fallows and seconded by Mary Ellen Poturalski to approve the Public Involvement Policy update as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

FY 2019 STBGP Funding Solicitation – Lance Dasher reported that TMACOG conducted a solicitation for Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP) funds with a due date of June 29, 2018. In total, 39 applications were received requesting nearly \$60M in STBGP funding with roughly \$14M available. The TIP Committee reviewed three funding recommendations submitted by the Scoring and Ranking Subcommittee. The recommendations were focused around a way to address the application for the US 20A interchange. A motion was made to approve recommendation #1 which funded the US 20A interchange at the requested amount of \$4M as well as funding three additional large projects and seven small projects. A motion was made by Ed O'Reilly

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and seconded by Shelley Papenfuse to approve the TIP Committee recommended option for the STBGP funding solicitation; the motion passed but it was not unanimous. There were two nay votes.

Transit Performance Management Targets – Dana Doubler discussed the Transit Performance Management Targets. The targets were reviewed by both the Planning Committee and the Public Transit Committee and both approved the targets as presented by the ODOT Office of Transit.

Ed also called for a motion to approve TIP Modification #5 at this time because it adds language to the FY 2018-2021 TIP regarding the above-mentioned transit performance management targets.

A motion was made by Tom Kovacik and seconded by Doug Stephens to approve the transit performance management targets as presented as well as TIP modification #5; the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment Period – Mary Ellen Poturalski expressed that she was very upset about construction workers being killed. She would like to see a letter written to the congressmen favoring stricter laws and the enforcement of them if you strike and kill a construction worker. Dave Gedeon said that would be referred to the SPAM committee.

Standing and Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Transportation Council Standing Committee Reports:

TIP – Ed O'Reilly reported on the amendment.

Ed presented TIP Amendment #10 to the Transportation Council for approval. The amendment adds one project at the request of ODOT (WOO/LUC IR 75/2 Deck Sealing). This project does not utilize TMACOG managed funds. A motion was made by Tom Kovacik and seconded by Mary Ellen Poturalski to approve the amendment as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

Pedestrian & Bikeways – Ed O'Reilly noted that there was no meeting. There will be a report at the October transportation council meeting. A motion was made by Ron Myers and seconded by Jim Gee to approve the operating procedure changes as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

Ed O'Reilly made an additional motion to approve operating procedure changes for Planning Committee, Public Transit Committee, and Passenger Rail Committee as presented due to the changes be the same across the board. Seconded by Ken Fallows. The motion passed unanimously.

Freight – Ray Huber was unable to attend the meeting. Roger reported that the committee has not met and will be meeting at the end of September. On the agenda will be the same amendment to operating procedures.

Planning – Ron Myers reported that the committee had the first task force meeting for the long range plan where the targets were discussed. Dana Doubler gave a brief presentation on the vision and goals of the update.

System Performance and Monitoring – Andy Langenderfer was unable to attend the meeting. No Report at this time.

Public Transit – Shelley Papenfuse reported that the committee met on August 22. The committee reviewed and approved the transportation performance measures and targets.

Passenger Rail – Tim Porter was unable to attend. Roger Streiffert reported that the committee met last week. They discussed the operating procedure amendments and the updates to the Legislative Agenda and long range plan. Roger also mentioned that the Passenger Rail Forum will be held in late October.

Major Project Updates/Other Committees:

Major Projects – Mike Gramza reported that the majority of the Buck/Lime City work is to be done next year when school is out of session and will be completed prior to school resuming. The Anthony Wayne Trail project is running into some issues with track time. Nothing much can be done until the bridge deck and beams are pulled.

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Will start to see more barrels for the 75 construction between South Avenue and Dorr Street. Jeep Project should be completed by Thanksgiving.

Vice President's Report – Dave reported on several items:

TMACOG will be working with ODOT and DriveOhio for the development of a Statewide ITS Architecture / System Engineering Analysis for Connected and Automated Vehicle Technology. The goal is to develop statewide standards for this technology to maintain interoperability throughout the state and to build a connected vehicle application catalog for all municipalities to utilize for future CV/AV deployments. Edgar Avila from AAA informed the council about the upcoming meeting on September 21 about transportation infrastructure.

The Ohio Conference on Freight was held on August 15-17 in Cincinnati. This is the second year that the event has been coordinated outside of TMACOG. The registered attendance was approximately 210 people. The 2019 Ohio Conference on Freight will be held in Cleveland and will be coordinated by the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA).

Roundtable – Kris Cousino informed the council that the salt pile is at an all time low.

Upcoming events:

- **TMACOG Tech: Tools and Rules for Managing Meetings** – Wednesday, October 10, 2018, 8:30 am – 10:30 am, MLK Plaza Grand Lobby
- **2019 TMACOG General Assembly** – Monday, January 28, 2019, 8:00 am – 1:15 pm, Holiday Inn French Quarter, Perrysburg
- **TMACOG Transportation Summit** – Friday, March 29, 2019 from 8:00 am – 2:00 pm, The Premier

Next Meeting/Adjournment – The next meeting will be October 3, 2018. A motion for adjournment was made by Mary Ellen Poturalski and seconded by Ron Myers.

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