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Date: June 3, 2019
To: Keith Earley, Chair
Joe Shaw, Vice Chair
Members of the Transportation Council
From: David Gedeon, Vice President of Transportation
Subject: **TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL REPORT FOR JUNE 5, 2019 MEETING**

This report is an update of staff activity and background on selected agenda items for our next Transportation Council meeting to be held on Wednesday, June 5, 2019. The agenda and meeting materials are available at www.tmacog.org/Transportation/trancom.htm. If you would like a hard copy or have any problems accessing any of the information, please contact Jodi Cole (ext. 1120). If you have any questions or concerns on any agenda items, please contact me (ext. 1125).

Financial Reports (Agenda III – for approval) – The financial report for fiscal year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 is submitted for approval. Through April 20th, with approximately 80% of fiscal year 2019 completed, the overall program was under budget with 63% expended.

Appointment of Mike Gramza to Council (Agenda IV – for approval) – Mike Gramza retired from ODOT on March 29th, 2019 later took a position with Bergmann. Mike contacted TMACOG recently to ask if there is a role he can fill on Transportation Council. In the operating procedures, we are able to have members appointed by the Chair to “have balanced representation from the region, the types of members, the activities underway within the council, and to maintain at least a three-fourths majority of its members from within the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) area.” The matter is being brought before the Council for discussion and action.

TMACOG Regional Safety Plan (Agenda V - for information) – Lisa Householder will discuss the recently start effort to review and prioritize the transportation safety needs in the TMACOG planning area for the development of a regional safety plan. An initial meeting was held on May 9th to share information about crash trends and characteristics, establish a safety vision and goals and objectives, and to discuss key safety issues and location in the region and obtain feedback on priorities. ODOT is funding the effort being conducted by Cambridge Systematics and Burgess & Niple.

TMACOG TIP Solicitation (Agenda VI – for information) – Lance Dasher will speak about the 2019 solicitation of Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP), Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) projects. Applications will be due on August 2nd.

Public Comment Period (Agenda VII) – Comments from the public.

Standing and Ad Hoc Committee Reports (Agenda X) – From Committee chairs

FY 2018-2021 TIP Modification #10 (for Approval) – TIP modification #10 requests the addition of \$266,501 to PID 98929 (WOO SR 25 and SR 64 Pavement Rehab) for the City of Bowling Green, and the addition of \$646,807 to PID 90674 (WOO SR 65/Colony/Lime City Intersection Improvement and Bike Path) at the request of the City of Rossford.

FY 2018-2021 TIP Amendment #15 (for Approval) – TIP amendment #15 adds one project at the request of ODOT (LUC US 20 10.66 WB Left Turn Lane Added) and modifies seven projects at the request of TARTA.

Vice President’s Report (Agenda XI – for discussion) – In addition to the above agenda topics and information covered in the Committee Reports, the following are other items members of Transportation Council should be aware of.

- A. The 2045 Plan’s “Business, Institution, and Government Transportation Survey” is available online until the end of the week. We are requesting input on needed projects that should be evaluated in the Plan. We encourage all stakeholders to fill out the survey and let us know what projects your community, institution or business needs to be improve the flow of people and goods, and to prosper economically. Survey link - www.surveymonkey.com/r/tmacogsurveyTaskForce
- B. Dana Doubler, Transportation Planner and lead staff for the 2045 Plan Development and the Public Transit Committee, has left TMACOG to take a position with the Toledo-Lucas County Plan Commission. The position is currently posted and we are accepting resumes.
- C. TMACOG will host an event with ODOT entitled Walk.Bike.Ohio on July 11th from 2:00-4:00 pm in the Martin Luther King Plaza Grand Lobby. This event will target local planners, engineers and other professionals that work on bike and pedestrian projects. Walk.Bike.Ohio is ODOT’s first plan to focus on walking and biking policies and programs around the state. When complete, the plan will guide Ohio’s bike and pedestrian transportation policies and investments in infrastructure and programs.
- D. The 2019 Gas Cap Replacement Program will kickoff on Tuesday, June 11th at the Kroger station at 2555 Glendale Ave from 1-3 pm. TMACOG is again partnering with the City of Toledo Division of Environmental Services to conduct the program. In total, there are 21 events scheduled throughout Lucas and Wood Counties and the southern portion of Monroe County.
- E. Please send us the name of your official alternate. We will be sending out reminders to help facilitate the process. We would like to make the appointment of alternates official and add them to the council roster for the next meeting.
- F. The July Transportation Council meeting (July 3rd) will be cancelled due to its proximity to the 4th of July. Additionally, the August meeting will be moved back one week, to August 14th, to avoid a conflict with the start of the Ohio Conference on Freight taking place from August 7-9 in Cleveland. For more information or to register, please go to www.ohioconferenceonfreight.com
- G. TMACOG Upcoming events:
 - **Active Transportation Academy: Traffic Calming and Complete Streets Implementation** – Thursday, June 27, Noon to 4:00 p.m., MLK Plaza Grand Lobby
 - **Summer Caucuses with State Lawmakers** – Wednesday, July 31, 8:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., Penta Career Center, Perrysburg
 - **TMACOG Tech – Tools, Rules, and Legal Components for Managing Meetings** – Wednesday, October 9th, 8:30-10:30 am, Martin Luther King Jr Plaza Grand Lobby