JACKSONVILLE METROPOLITIAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA February 9, 2017 10:30 a.m.

JACKSONVILLE CENTER FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, COMMUNITY TRAINING ROOM 206

Present: Mr. Ben Warren, Mr. Wally Hansen, Ms. Carol Long, Mr. Ron Massey, Mr. Patrick

Riddle, Mr. Beshad Norowzi

Absent: Ms. Sheila Pierce Knight

Others Ms. Peggy Holland, Mr. Robert Myers, Mr. Chris White, Mr. Ron Lucas, Mr. Tim Present: McCurry, Lt. Sean Magill, Ms. Debbie Jefferson, Mr. Robert Myers, Mr. Alan Pytcher,

and Mr. Johnnie Stiltner

Call to Order

Mr. Ben Warren called the TCC meeting to order at 10:37 am, Thursday, February 9, 2017 at the Center for Public Safety, Community Training Room 206.

II. Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Warren welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that everyone introduce themselves.

III. Public Comment

Mr. Warren asked if there were any public comments.

No public comments were made.

Action Items

IV. October 13, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Warren asked for a motion to approve the October 13, 2016 Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Wally Hansen moved to approve the October 13, 2016 Meeting Minutes. Mr. Patrick Riddle seconded the motion.

The motion to approve the October 13, 2016 Meeting Minutes was unanimously approved by the Committee Members present.

V. Election of Officers

Mr. Wally Hansen nominated Mr. Ben Warren to retain his position as Chairman of the TCC Committee. Ms. Carol Long seconded the motion.

The motion to Elect Mr. Ben Warren as Chairman of the TCC Committee was unanimously approved by the Committee members present.

Ms. Carol Long nominated Mr. Wally Hansen to retain his position as Vice-Chairman of the TCC Committee. Mr. Ben Warren seconded the motion.

The motion to Elect Mr. Wally Hansen as Vice-Chairman of the TCC Committee was unanimously approved by the Committee members present.

VI. Self-Certification

Ms. Holland discussed the process of the annual self-certification of the MPO 3-C transportation planning process. A discussion followed regarding the difference between the urbanized area boundary and the metropolitan planning area boundary and what federal funds are allocated to these areas. It was also noted that the 2020 census could potentially impact the current MPO planning boundary.

The required action is to recommend the self-certification to the TAC for approval.

Mr. Patrick Riddle made a motion to recommend approval to the TAC for the Self-Certification. Mr. Wally Hansen seconded the motion.

The motion to recommend approval of the Self-Certification to the TAC was unanimously approved by the Committee members present.

VII. Draft UPWP

Ms. Holland discussed the draft UPWP. Noting that it is very similar to last year but that some additional changes to the 5-year planning calendar would be made following the joint strategic planning meeting in March. The most notable difference is in the funding. The contracted services expense has decreased significantly due to having staff on hand. Mr. Prinz noted that this contracted services expense will most likely never reach zero due to some positions being too expensive to keep on hand.

The required action is to recommend the FY 18 UPWP to the TAC for approval.

Ms. Carol Long made a motion to recommend approval to the TAC for the Draft UPWP. Mr. Patrick Riddle seconded the motion.

The motion to recommend approval of the Draft UPWP to the TAC was unanimously approved by the Committee members present.

Discussion Items

VIII. TCC/TAC Joint Strategic Planning Meeting

Ms. Holland noted that the joint Strategic Planning Meeting will be held on March 9, 2017. This meeting is to establish goals and set priorities for the MPO for the next five years. The last time this joint strategic meeting was held was in 2010.

Meeting invite to follow.

IX. <u>Draft FY 2018-2027 STIP</u>

Ms. Holland discussed the Draft State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). She noted that we acquired three new projects. Those new projects include the intersection improvement of Henderson/Onslow/Marine, a partial interchange at US17/Marine Boulevard, and the widening of NC 210 between US 17 and Old Folkstone Road. She added that there were two projects that were modified. Those projects include the Jacksonville Parkway Extension and the drainage project of NC 53 at NC 24. Five projects were deleted from the Draft STIP. Those deletions include: the NC 111 extension, the widening of Gum Branch Road, the 4-lane widening of Henderson Drive, Henderson Drive Extension, and the widening of NC 111.

Discussion ensued regarding the 150 million dollar project in Wilmington that has been in limbo since 2005, as noted by Mr. Ron Lucas. Mr. Prinz stated that he had planned to go to the TAC to recommend them draft a resolution to DOT stating that the DOT should be required to obtain written concurrence from the cities in the form of a resolution for large dollar projects. Mr. Patrick Riddle noted that this was the same process they already followed for Bike and Ped projects. Mr. Hansen suggested making a recommendation to the TAC regarding drafting a resolution to the TAC.

Mr. Wally Hansen made a motion. Ms. Carol Long seconded the motion.

Ms. Holland continued on to discuss the five aviation projects that were awarded in the Draft STIP. She noted that the State would be holding public involvement in the spring and that they planned to adopt the STIP in June. The MPO's Draft TIP would be available in August and would go to the TAC for adoption in September.

X. P5.0

Ms. Holland provided an update on the P5.0 committee. She noted the current schedule. Additionally she noted that at the end of this month a submission of tentative projects for

preliminary evaluation is being offered. This is being offered to MPO and RPOs who want additional evaluation on certain projects. Those submittals are due by February 28, 2017.

XI. MPO Website/Logo/Name

Ms. Holland discussed the status of the new MPO website and noted that it is almost ready to go live. She addressed possible new logos and name changes.

XII. NC 111 Extension Project

Mr. Prinz combined items XII and XIII.

Reports/Comments

XIII. Report from MPO

Mr. Prinz began by asking the TCC to support a letter writing campaign in support of the NC 111 extension. He noted that the project is in scoping. He also noted that at the first meeting the environmental agencies were not in support of this project and would prefer for it to be abandoned completely. He also noted that the purpose and need are expected to be complete this spring.

He also noted a couple project meetings that had passed and also noted there was a public meeting tonight (2/9) at the Jacksonville High School. Mr. Prinz also mentioned that there is most likely a new Secretary of Transportation for the state.

Mr. Prinz also noted that Mr. Reginald Goodson would be retiring at the end of this month (February).

XIV. Report from NCDOT Division 3

Mr. Alan Pytcher provided the update for the NCDOT Division 3. He noted that Piney Green is projected to be complete by this summer. Mr. Prinz asked for an update on Onslow Drive from US 17 to Henderson Drive.

XV. Report from NCDOT Transportation Planning Branch

Mr. Beshad Norowzi gave his update on the Onslow County CTP. He noted that Nazia is making really good progress on the CTP. He also noted that there have been employment changes within the TPB and that Nazia has been promoted. The Jacksonville position will be posted sometime next week and they're hoping to fill it as soon as possible.

XVI. Report from FHWA Field Officer

Mr. Ron Lucas gave a brief update from FHWA and noted that FHWA is also reorganizing. He noted that he will stay in this position in addition to the position that he was just moved into.

XVII. Questions, Closings Comments

Ms. Carol Long discussed the status of OUTS and gave a brief overview of the funding for OUTS, the passenger statistics and how the system is doing as whole. She also mentioned a program that has been established to help the homeless population in Jacksonville. She noted the one-call system, and that they track about 6,000 calls a month using that system. Additionally she noted that because OUTS is a nonprofit they cannot receive urbanized funds directly and with the outcome of the 2020 census that's a real probability for them.

Mr. Wally Hansen moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.