

**JACKSONVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
February 13, 2020**

**JACKSONVILLE – ONSLOW COMMERCE CENTER
SPORTS HALL OF FAME CONFERENCE ROOM**

Present: Mr. Wally Hansen, Mr. Ryan King, Mr. Ron Massey, Ms. Carol Long, and Ms. Jessica Rhue,

Others Present: Mr. Anthony Prinz, Mr. Chris White, Ms. Debbie Jefferson, Ms. Stephanie Kutz, Ms. Deanna Trebil, Mr. Behshad Norowzi, Lt. Sean Magill, Mr. Tim McCurry, Ms. Caitlin Marks, Mr. Trevor Carroll, Mr. Roy Bredahl, Mr. Chris Pulsgrove, Mr. Kerry Terrell, Mr. Ray Silance, Mr. Brian Kelly, Ms. Stacie Miles, Mr. Joe Fore, Mr. Nathan Rhue, Mr. Thomas Bradshaw, and Mr. B. J. Eversole

Absent: Mr. Bill Marley

I. [Call to Order](#)

Mr. Ben Warren called the TCC meeting to order at 10:32 am, Thursday, February 13, 2020, at Jacksonville Onslow Commerce Center Sports Hall of Fame Conference Room – 1099 Gum Branch Road., Jacksonville, NC.

II. [Welcome and Introductions](#)

Mr. Warren welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

III. [Public Comment](#)

No public comments were made.

Action Items

IV. [November 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes](#)

Mr. Warren asked for a motion to approve the November 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Carol Long moved to approve the November 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes. Mr. Ryan King seconded the motion.

The motion to approve the November 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes was unanimously approved by the Committee Members present.

V. [Annual Self-Certification](#)

Mr. Ryan King moved to approve the Annual Self-Certification. Ms. Carol Long seconded the motion.

The motion to approve the Annual Self-Certification was unanimously approved by the Committee Members present.

Non-Consent

VI. [Election of Officers](#)

Mr. Ben Warren asked for a motion to elect a chairman for the upcoming year of the Technical Coordinating Committee.

Ms. Carol Long made a motion to elect Mr. Wally Hansen as Chairman of the Technical Coordinating Committee. Mr. Warren closed the nominations after no other nominations were made, and to accept Mr. Wally Hansen as Chairman of TCC.

The motion to approve Mr. Wally Hansen as Chairman of the TCC Committee was unanimously approved by the Committee Members present.

Mr. Ben Warren asked for a motion to elect a vice-chairman for the upcoming year of the Technical Coordinating Committee.

Ms. Carol Long Made a motion to elect Mr. Ryan King as Vice-Chairman of the TCC Committee. Mr. Ryan King nominated Ms. Carol Long for the Vice-Chairperson position. Ms. Long removed herself from the nominations, and since there were no other nominations Mr. Warren closed the nominations.

The motion to approve Mr. Ryan King as Vice-Chairman of the TCC Committee was unanimously approved by the Committee Members present.

VII. [Draft Metropolitan Transportation Plan \(MTP\)](#)

At this time Mr. Ryan King took over the meeting as Vice-Chairman of the TCC due to the fact that Mr. Wally Hansen the newly elected Chairman had not arrived yet.

Ms. Trebil discussed the Draft 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), stating this was previously called the Long Range Transportation Plan or the LRTP. This is the largest planning effort required by the Jacksonville Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (JUMPO).

It is the intent of the MPO to update the 2040 MTP with minimal changes which will serve as the basis for the 2045 MTP. These changes incorporated the prior Amendments to the 2040 MTP as well as updating the demographics and financials as well as a review of all modes of transportation. The 2045 MTP will be updated again with the boundary expansion.

The DRAFT 2045 MTP has been uploaded to the JUMPO's website for public comment.

Mr. Ryan King asked for a motion to approve the Draft 2045 MTP to forward to the TAC.

Mr. Ben Warren moved to approve the Draft Metropolitan Transportation Plan as presented to forward to the TAC. Ms. Carol Long seconded the motion.

The motion to approve the Draft Metropolitan Transportation Plan as presented was unanimously approved by the Committee Members present.

VIII. [Draft FY21 Unified Planning Work Program](#)

Mr. Hansen has now taken over the meeting as the newly elected Chairman of the TCC.

Ms. Trebil explained that each year the Jacksonville MPO produces a Unified Work Program (UPWP) to outline expenditures necessary to carry out planning by the MPO and its member agencies during the coming fiscal year.

The draft FY 2021 UPWP is similar to the current year's budget and is created to further the operational objectives identified by the TCC and TAC. The work program accounts for all direct operating expenses and includes a request for one additional position. This position is requested to continue conducting more feasibility and planning studies in-house.

Since NCDOT has modified the way they allocate funding for PL104, which now comes in two phases. NCDOT has notified us of the first phase of funding which is the basis for the FY 2021 UPWP. We anticipate the second phase of funding to be available in the coming months. With staff's intent to increase the overall budget to match the current year's budget after the second phase allocation allowing the funding distribution from both the City and County to remain the same.

Mr. Ben Warren moved to approve the Draft FY21 Unified Planning Work Program as presented to the TAC. Mr. Ryan King seconded the motion.

The motion to approve the Draft FY21 Unified Planning Work Program as presented was unanimously approved by the Committee Members present.

Discussion Items

IX. [P6.0 – New Projects for Submittal](#)

Ms. Kutz stated that the TCC Subcommittee meet a few weeks ago to discuss project submittals for P6.0 which are to be submitted by May 1, 2020.

Today's discussion focused on Bike/Pedestrian Projects, Aviation Projects and Highway Projects. The Jacksonville MPO has 16 project submissions in each mode.

Recommended Bike/Ped Projects include:

Project Category	Route / Facility Name	From / Cross Street	To / Cross Street	Description	Specific Improvement Type
Division Needs	Hunter's Trail Greenway	SR 1829 (Hunter's Trail)	SR 1860 (Hunter's Trail)	Construct shared-use path between the dead-end streets, including a bridge over the creek	2 - Off-Road/Separated Linear Bicycle Facility (Bicycle)
Division Needs	Gum Branch Greenway	SR 1336 (Henderson Dr)	SR 1322 (Summersill School Rd)	Construct a shared-use sidepath adjacent on the west side of SR 1308 (Gum Branch Rd) from end of existing path north of SR 1336.	2 - Off-Road/Separated Linear Bicycle Facility (Bicycle)
Division Needs	Midway Park Greenway	Rail Trail	Piney Green Shopping Center Driveway	Construct shared-use path adjacent to the north side of NC 24	1 - Grade-Separated Bicycle Facility or National, State, or Regional Bicycle Route (Bicycle)
Division Needs	Western Greenway	US 17 (Marine Blvd)	SR 1308 (Gum Branch Rd)	Upgrade sidewalk to share-use path and construct shared-use path where none exists	2 - Off-Road/Separated Linear Bicycle Facility (Bicycle)
Division Needs	Henderson Sidewalk	SR1308 (Gum Branch Rd)	US 17B (Marine Blvd)	Upgrade sidewalk to meet ADA standards	7 - Protected Linear Pedestrian Facility (Pedestrian)

Recommended Aviation Projects include:

Project Category	Route / Facility Name	From / Cross Street	Description	Specific Improvement Type
Regional Impact	OAJ - Albert J. Ellis Airport	OAJ - Airport Access Road Realignment and Extension	This project will realign and extend the access roadway into the airport. This project will be funded by NCDOT Grants and local funds. (includes Project Request Numbers: 3110)	1320 - General Aviation Terminal Building; Construct Terminal Access Road
Regional Impact	OAJ - Albert J. Ellis Airport	OAJ - Access Roadway Extension and Realignment	Construct new entrance road between the terminal area and NC 111. (Project Request Number 3110)	1320 - General Aviation Terminal Building; Construct Terminal Access Road
Regional Impact	OAJ - Albert J. Ellis Airport	OAJ - GA Terminal Access Roadway Phase 3	Construct new roadway to divert traffic away from the main terminal	1320 - General Aviation Terminal Building; Construct Terminal Access Road
Regional Impact	OAJ - Albert J. Ellis Airport	OAJ - GA Apron Expansion and Hangar Site Preparation	Construct a southern expansion of the GA apron and site preparation for hangars (Project Request Number 3102)	1200 - Aircraft Apron / Helipad Requirements

Recommended new Highway Projects include:

- **Interchange and Realignment of Douglas Gate** – the intent of this project is to realign Douglas Gate with Onslow Pines Road.
- **Gum Branch Rd Widening Project** – the limits of this project include from Western Blvd to Summersill School Rd
- **US 258 Superstreet** – Convert US 258 to a superstreet from Pony Farm Rd/Northwest Corridor Boulevard to Rhodestown Fire Department Road.
- **Marine Boulevard Widening** – the widening of Marine Boulevard from Richlands Hwy/Wilmington Hwy to the Buddy Phillips Bridge.
- **Hunting Green Intersection Realignment** – intersection realignment of Hunting Green Drive and Ramsey Drive off of Gum Branch Road.
- **Dixon High School** – Installation of superstreet concept along US 17 from NC 210 to Dixon Estates Road.
- **Gregory Fork Intersection** – intersection improvement at Gregory Fork Road and US 258.

Ms. Kutz discussed the projects individually with the Committee to get a recommendation on which projects the Committee supports for inclusion into P6.0. Mr. Chris White talked about three additional projects for the P6.0 Aviation Project.

All of the projects not assigned a SPOT ID were discussed in depth with the committee in order to make a decision on what to submit.

Mr. Hansen asked for a motion to approve the discussed Aviation, Bike/Ped, and Highway projects for submittal.

Ms. Jessica Rhue made a motion to approve the discussed projects for submittal. Mr. Ben Warren seconded the motion.

The motion to approve the discussed projects for submittal was unanimously approved by the Committee Members present.

Reports/Comments

X. [Report from MPO](#)

Ms. Trebil informed the committee the Multi Modal Center is out for bid. Four general contractors were present and it will go for bid in March. The TRAC initiative has finally secured a contractor; Kimely Horn. Also an intersection improvement at Carolina Forest and Western Blvd. Ms. Trebil informed the committee all of the resolutions of support from all the municipalities are in, and we have started meeting with them one on one.

XI. [Report from NCDOT Division 3](#)

Ms. Marks gave her updated spreadsheet report.

XII. [Report from NCDOT Transportation Planning Division](#)

Mr. Behshad Norowzi gave his report. He informed the committee the Secretary James H. Trogon, III is retiring from NCDOT.

NC Moves 2050 wants to thank everyone who participated in the first and second survey. The third survey will close on February 14.

Planning for Resiliency recently led a Kickoff for the preparation of Flood Resilience Feasibility studies.

XIII. [Report from FHWA Field Officer](#)

Mr. Bill Marley was not present to give a report.

XIV. [Questions, Closing Comments](#)

Mr. Hansen asked for an adjournment of the February 13, 2020 TCC meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.