

MACORTS Technical Coordinating Committee

A-CC Planning Department Auditorium

Wednesday, October 24, 2012

10:00 a.m.

Summary Minutes

Members Present: Brad Griffin - ACC Planning Department
Sherry McDuffie - ACC Planning Department
Andrew Heath – GDOT – Planning Office
Steve Decker – ACC Traffic Engineering
Wayne Provost – Oconee Co. Strategic & Long Range Planning
Lucy Rowland – ACC Planning Commission
Butch McDuffie – Athens Transit System
B.R. White – Oconee County Planning Department
Ann-Marie Day – Federal Highway Administration
Kim Coley – GDOT – District 1
Jerry Oberholtzer – ACC Transportation & Public Works
David Clark – ACC Transportation & Public Works
Ron Hamlin – UGA Campus Transit System
Doc Eldridge – Athens Area Chamber of Commerce

Others Present: Morgan Malley – Federal Highway Administration Trainee

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Griffin called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was present.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

There was no public comment received at this meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF JULY 25, 2012 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. McDuffie made a motion to approve the July 25, 2012 TCC meeting minutes. Ms. Rowland seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

IV. REVIEW OF DRAFT FY 2014 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM AND RECOMMENDATION TO POLICY COMMITTEE

Ms. McDuffie reviewed the Draft FY 2014 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). She explained that the draft is based on the anticipated amount of base funding for FY 2014. The most significant changes made from the FY 2013 UPWP included references to compliance with Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) and work on the update of the Long Range Transportation Plan. In-kind match continued to be included in the document. Ms. Rowland made a motion to recommend approval of the Draft FY 2014 Unified Planning Work Program. Mr. Eldridge seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

V. REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION TO FY 2013 – 2016 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) EXPECTED REVENUE TABLE AND RECOMMENDATION TO POLICY COMMITTEE

Ms. McDuffie reviewed the changes made to the table showing the expected federal revenue for highway projects in the FY 2013 – 2016 TIP. She explained that no specific projects were being affected by this change. As an administrative modification, no public involvement activities are required beyond that included in the TCC and PC meetings.

Mr. Clark asked that Ms. McDuffie prepare a handout showing the funding of individual projects as they stand in the current Transportation Improvement Program for the Policy Committee meeting. Ms. McDuffie agreed to do so. Ms. Day asked why this change is being done as an administrative modification. Mr. Heath explained that no new phases are being added and the change is less than \$2 million; therefore, the action qualified as an administrative modification.

Mr. Clark made a motion to recommend approval of the administrative modification to the FY 2013 – 2016 Transportation Improvement Program. Mr. White seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

VII. NEW BUSINESS / UPDATES

Mr. Provost – Oconee County Public Works

The second through-lane has been corrected on the southbound side of the Oconee Connector.

Mr. White – Oconee County Planning Department

Right-of-way acquisition continues on the Mars Hill Road Widening project.

Mr. Hamlin – University of Georgia Campus Transit System

UGA Transit System is installing vehicle locator technology on vans. This feature should be live on the vans by next semester. UGA Transit System is working with Google Transit to develop a web-based application for multimodal trip planning.

Mr. McDuffie – Athens Transit System

A sidewalk improvement project is underway at the Multimodal Transportation Center. Expansion of the bus parking area at the Maintenance facility located on Pound Street has begun.

Mr. Clark - Athens-Clarke County Transportation & Public Works

The portion of the Jennings Mill Parkway project from Commerce Boulevard to Huntington Road has been awarded. Construction should begin in the next week or so. Construction on the Old Hull Road project should begin after the first of the year. A true roundabout will be installed on Sunnybrook Drive at Ponderosa Drive. Construction on the Park and Ride project on Lexington Road should be completed by Thanksgiving and open to the public around the first of 2013. Athens Transit System has plans to run a circulator bus from the Park and Ride lot to the Multimodal Center.

Mr. Eldridge – Athens Area Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Eldridge asked for an update on the Olympic Drive / Peter Street project. Mr. Clark explained that the project construction has begun.

Ms. Day – Federal Highway Administration

Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) includes provisions for including performance management strategies into transportation planning. Federal guidance will be coming out shortly.

VIII. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m. Mr. Griffin reminded the committee that the next scheduled meeting will be on January 23, 2013. He noted that Policy Committee meetings will be held in the Public Meeting Room of the Madison County Government Building in Danielsville during the 2013 calendar year.