

## **SUMMARY MINUTES**

MACORTS Technical Coordinating Committee  
WebEx Virtual Meeting Platform  
Wednesday, May 25, 2022  
10:00 a.m.

**Members Present:** Brad Griffin – ACC Planning Director  
Robert Walker – ACC Planning Department  
Alan Guerra – ACC Planning Department  
Ginny Hamilton, UGA Transit System  
Jody Woodall- Oconee County Public Works  
Justin Lott, GDOT District 1  
SueAnne Decker, GDOT District 1  
Michelle Ramey, GDOT District 1  
Kimberly Grayson - GDOT Planning  
Tom Caiafa – GDOT Planning  
Stephen Bailey – ACC Transportation & Public Works  
Daniel Sizemore – ACC Transportation & Public Works  
Sheridan Soileau – ACC Public Utilities  
Todd Berven - UGA Transit System  
Victor Pope – ACC Transit Department

**Others Present:** Ann-Marie Day, FHWA  
Sharon Thelen, Oconee County Resident  
Lee Becker, Oconee County Resident

### **I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS**

Mr. Griffin called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

### **II. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Mr. Griffin acknowledged citizens attending:

- Lee Becker
- Sharon Thelen

Mr. Becker had no comment. Ms. Thelen spoke regarding concerns held by the Dially's Mill neighborhood in Oconee County. Mr. Griffin thanked Ms. Thelen for her comment, and stated while there was no items directly impacting that neighborhood on this meeting's agenda, MACORTS committees were aware of their concerns.

**III. APPROVAL OF APRIL 27, 2022 MEETING MINUTES**

Ms. Soileau made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2022 TCC meeting. Mr. Sizemore seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

**IV. REVIEW & RECOMMENDATION REGARDING PROPOSED MTP AND TIP AMENDMENTS FOR SR 316@VIRGIL LANGFORD ROAD AND OCONEE CONNECTOR ROW PROJECTS**

Mr. Griffin informed the committee that the amendments has proceeded through the public comment period without any comment received. Mr. Woodall made a motion to approve the Virgil Langford project, Mr. Berven seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Mr. Woodall also made a motion to approve the Oconee Connector project, Mr. Pope seconded the motion, which also passed unanimously.

**V. REVIEW & RECOMMENDATION REGARDING A PROPOSED MTP AND TIP AMENDMENT FOR SR316@MARS HILL ROAD INTERCHANGE**

Mr. Griffin explained the proposed amendment and the proposed timeline for sending the item out for Public Comment. Ms. Decker asked if the MPO would be handling the advertising for this project. Mr. Griffin said that the MPO would. Mr. Sizemore made a motion to send the amendment to public comment, Mr. Pope seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**VI. REVIEW & RECOMMENDATION REGARDING A PROPOSED TIP AMENDMENT FOR SR316@JIMMIE DANIEL ROAD**

Mr. Griffin informed the committee that this project was for the addition of new FY23 phases that required a public comment period. Mr. Griffin also outlined the public comment period. Mr. Caiafa from GDOT planning explained why there are numerous projects taking place on SR316. Ms. Day from FHWA asked Mr. Caiafa from GDOT Planning about the nature of the fiscal constraint funding for this project, and more generally about other projects on SR316. Mr. Caiafa affirmed that these projects would be using fiscal constraint, and that more info would be provided to the MPO regarding this funding.

Mr. Berven made a motion to send the amendment to public comment, Ms. Soileau seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**VII. REVIEW & RECOMMENDATION REGARDING A PROPOSED TIP AMENDMENT FOR SR10LP@ATLANTA HIGHWAY**

Mr. Griffin explained that this project involved a new scoping phase and shifting of construction and utility phases from FY23 to FY24. Mr. Griffin also discussed that part of the funding for this project would be received from Athens-Clarke County, which had yet to be formalized, but would be prior to the amendment being adopted. Mr. Bailey made a motion to move the item to public comment, Mr. Sizemore seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**IX. UPDATES / OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Woodall stated that Oconee PW was continuing the multi-use path along Hog Mountain Road from Butler's Crossing / Mars Hill Road intersection to 441. Mr. Pope stated that ACC bus ridership had increased since the last TCC meeting by approximately 14%, and that TSPLOST passed in the local elections. UGA Transit stated that they also had seen a slight increase in ridership. Ms. Decker from GDOT district stated that they were holding virtual meetings for the SR316 @ Jimmie Daniel project. Mr. Caiafa from GDOT Planning stated that they were still looking for TA proposals. Ms. Day from FHWA reiterated the importance of the SS4A programs and that there had been a new leadership change in the Georgia division, with Sabrina David coming aboard.

**X. ADJOURN**

Mr. Griffin adjourned the meeting at 10:39 am. The next meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2022.