## Clarksville Urbanized Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)'s Joint Technical Coordinating Committee and Executive Board Meeting January 21, 2016 @ 11:00 am

Regional Planning Commission - Downstairs Conference Room

## Members Present:

Charlie Gentry\* Rep. City of Clarksville Mayor
Jim Durrett\* Montgomery County Mayor

Jonathan Russell\* Rep. Tennessee Dept. of Transportation (TDOT)

Joe Deering TDOT

Nick Hall\* Rep. Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC)

Steve Bourne\* Rep. Mayor of Hopkinsville Misty Cutshall\* Rep. City of Oak Grove

Paul Nelson\* CTS

Scott Allen FHWA-TN Chris Cowan City Engineer

Bryan Collins\* GNRC

Byron Johnson HMB Professional Engineers, Inc.

Amanda Bush Montgomery County

Stan Williams MPO Jill Hall MPO

\*Voting members

Mayor Durrett called the meeting to order. He began with the first item on the agenda: the review, discussion and adoption of the minutes from the October 29, 2015 meeting. Mr. Nelson made the motion to adopt the minutes and Mr. Russell seconded the motion. The minutes were adopted unanimously.

Item #2 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2016-01approving an amendment to the FY2014-FY2017 TIP to add a ROW phase for TIP #70-LaFayette Road and to move funds from CONST to PE in the amount of \$188,750.00 total and to ROW in the amount of \$20,000.00 total leaving \$1,125,000.00 total remaining in CONST. Mr. Williams reviewed the resolution. He stated there were no public comments. Mr. Nelson made the motion to adopt the resolution and Mr. Gentry seconded the motion. Resolution 2016-01 passed unanimously.

Item #3 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2016-02 approving an amendment to the FY2014-FY2017 TIP to add additional funding for TIP project #72 Transit Buses for the purchase of 3 hybrid electric buses and 2 hybrid electric trolleys with the award of \$2,545,472.00 federal CMAQ funds and a total project budget of \$3,181,840.00 which includes a 10% state match and a 10% local match. The CMAQ funds will be flexed to FTA. Mr. Williams stated there were no public comments. Mr. Nelson said the new hybrid vehicles would replace 3 older diesel buses and 2 older diesel trolleys. Once the purchases are complete the entire CTS fleet will be electric hybrid. Mr. Nelson made the motion to adopt the resolution and Ms. Cutshall seconded the motion. Resolution 2016-02 passed unanimously.

Item #4 on the agenda was the review and discussion of the FY2015 Obligation Report which can be found on the MPO website. Mr. Williams went through the report and highlighted what

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information could be found in the report and where. He stated that the federal amount of funds for the MPO area was \$17,705,097.80, which included road projects, transit and planning funds.

Item #5 on the agenda was the review and discussion of the CTS Strategic Plan. Mr. Williams stated that the Strategic Plan is a federal requirement and will be posted on the MPO website. The handout shows the consultants recommendations for CTS. Mr. Williams said that dedicated lane service for the buses will be looked at more closely on Wilma Rudolph Blvd in the future. Mr. Nelson said that CTS was working on implementing some of the recommendations; such as, Dial a Ride, and Google Transit. CTS is working with APSU/GIS center to upload the routes onto Google transit. He said CTS's ridership is approximately 2,000-2,500 daily. Mr. Williams said the AECOM has been hired to do the COA for CTS and will be completed by August. The data/information from the COA will be used in the relocation of the transit center study.

Item #6 on the agenda was the call for new FY2017-FY2020 TIP projects. Mr. Williams stated that the MPO balance after subtracting the cost to existing projects programmed into the current TIP is approximately \$1.5 million. He stated that the Rossview Road project will need to be amended for increases in the construction phase that will take the majority, if not all of the MPO balance. Any new TIP projects will be reviewed, but may be limited due to the financial constraint of the TIP funding. Mayor Durrett said that with the opening of Hankook and the number of trucks required for Hankook the local government needs to re-engage TDOT for a new Exit at mile marker 6 on I-24. Hankook will have an average of 100trucks per day in the 1st phase with three additional lines with similar numbers of trucks per day for each new line. Mr. Williams agreed.

Item #7 on the agenda was the presentation by Thomas Nelson, Jr., Division Administrator FHWA-KY, on Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST). Mr. Nelson was unable to attend due to the weather. Mr. Allen, FHWA-TN gave the presentation on FAST. He stated that President Obama signed it on December 4, 2015 and is the first long term authorization Act. It provides five years of funding through 2020. The Act has a total of \$305 billion with FHWA receiving \$226.3 billion and FTA receiving \$61.1 billion. The Act shows 1% growth for the funding portions per year. The Act expands Freight Network, NHPP allows bridges not on the NHS to apply, STP funding changes is STBPG (Surface Transportation Block Program Grant), TAP projects are now part of STBPG and TAP funds are no more. CMAQ is expanded for PM2.5, environmental streamlining through additional new exemptions, no major changes to HSIP, new Highway Freight Program- state freight plans are required by 2018 to receive funds and Planning and Performance to bring in more partners. The complete FAST presentation was emailed to the TCC and Executive Board members and is on the MPO website.

Item #8 on the agenda was new business. Mr. Williams said the City has applied for the Safe Routes to School Grant for Kenwood Middle School. Mr. Gentry said the City was moving as quickly as possible on this. Mr. Williams said the MPO had submitted the 2015 Clarksville SP-48/13/US-79 Corridor Multimodal Access Grant. Mr. Nelson stated the grant is funded 95% by the State and 5% Local match. This grant is for 5,000 feet of sidewalk and also bus shelters and benches along Wilma Rudolph Blvd.

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There was no other new business. Mr. Gentry made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Nelson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Dated: January 21, 2016

Mayor Kim McMillan, Chairman MPO Executive Board