

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

Regional Planning Commission - Downstairs Conference Room

Members Present:

Kim McMillan*	City of Clarksville Mayor
Jim Durrett*	Montgomery County Mayor
Jonathan Russell*	Rep. Tennessee Dept. of Transportation (TDOT)
Beth Jones*	Rep. Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC)
Arthur Bing*	CTS
Bryan Collins*	GNRC
Charlie Gentry	City of Clarksville
Jack Frazier	City Engineer
Scott Allen	FHWA-TN
Chris Cowan	City Engineer
Marc Corrigan	TDEC
Deanna Mills	KYTC
Paul Nelson	CTS
Kwabena Aboagye	TDOT
Denise Baker	TDOT
Regina Donnelly	DBS and Associates
Chris Brown	Ft. Campbell
Nick Hall	KYTC
Kevin McClearin	KYTC
Nick Powell	Montgomery County Engineer
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 January 21, 2016 meeting. Mr. Bing 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 2016-03 approving a reclassification to the Clarksville urbanized area functional roadway classification system for the Tennessee portion on Holiday Drive/Ted Crozier Sr. Blvd., Athletic Avenue, International Blvd, Old Farmers Road, Solar Way/Jim Johnson Road and Zinc Plant Road. Mr. Williams reviewed the resolution and explained to receive federal funds on a road; the road must be on the classification system. Mr. Collins noticed an error in the resolution. The wording in the fourth paragraph "and removing Old Dunlop Road," should not have been in the amendment. There was no change being made to Old Dunlop Road. Mayor Durrett asked that the resolution be changed to delete this wording. He asked the Executive Board to adopt the resolution with the change made. Mr. Collins made the motion to adopt the resolution and Ms. Jones seconded the motion. Resolution 2016-03 passed unanimously.

Mayor McMillan had been delayed due to a previous budget meeting. She was able to chair the rest of our meeting beginning with Item #3. Item #3 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2016-04 approving an amendment to the FY2016-FY2017 UPWP to add a Planning Task for a Transfer Center Relocation Feasibility Study (TCRFS) to Sub-Task C to be funded with Sec. 5303 funds and PL-112 funds. Mr. Williams stated there were no public comments. Mayor McMillan asked Mr. Bing for more information on the Transit Center relocation. Mr. Bing said this was the second study to be done on relocating the transit center. The current center was built above a parking garage. The weights of the buses have caused structural integrity concerns. The parking garage has been inspected by a structural engineer previously and reinforcement to the garage structure was made. The structural concerns and small size of the center is requiring a new study. The relocation of the center must take into account the route times and needs to be centrally located to all of the routes. Mayor Durrett made the motion to adopt the resolution and Mr. Bing seconded the motion. Resolution 2016-04 passed unanimously.

Item #4 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2016-05 approving an amendment to the FY2014-FY2017 TIP for TIP #66-Dunbar Cave Road/Rossvie Road to add additional ROW in 2016 in the amount of \$1,100,000 total funds with \$880,000 federal funds and \$220,000 local match and to change CONST year to 2016. Mr. Frazier said that they were currently working with appraisers in the ROW phase. The project will begin near the interstate where TDOT is working on a widening project to alleviate the track near the schools. Mr. Williams stated that he had received no public comments. Mayor Durrett made the motion to adopt the resolution and Mr. Bing seconded the motion. Resolution 2016-05 passed unanimously.

Item #5 on the agenda was the call for new FY2017-FY2020 TIP projects and discussion of the new TIP development. Mr. Williams stated that he had received to project request for the new TIP so far. Both requests were for Trenton Road/SR-48 and he explained that Trenton Road is a State Route and the responsibility of TDOT. He stated the funds for new projects were very limited due to the current ongoing projects by the City and County. Mayor McMillan thanked TDOT for working on the SR-374, from Stokes Road to Dunbar Cave Road. She said TDOT is moving forward with the project and putting funding into the new TIP for it. She was very appreciative of all that TDOT had done in moving it forward.

Item #6 on the agenda was the presentation by Scott Allen, FHWA-TN Representative, on updates to the FAST Act. Mr. Allen provided three handouts: the first one explained the National Highway Freight Program (NHFP); the second one was a questions and answers sheet on the NHFP, which explained the funding in more detail; and third was the websites to register for the webinars on NHS, Freight and CMAQ performance measures, CMAQ portion of NPRM, and System performance portion of NPRM. Mr. Allen reviewed each of the handouts and discussed the National Highway Freight Network and its funding. Mr. Williams stated that the Middle Tennessee Freight Advisory Board met last week and said that there is dedicated funding of \$26 million each year to improve the NHFP. TDOT plans to construct truck climbing lanes on the interstate freight network throughout Tennessee. Mr. Allen said that Corbin Davis will be leaving the FHWA-TN office to work for the FHWA office in Washington DC.

Item #7 on the agenda was the presentation by Jonathan Russell, TDOT Representative, on TDOT's Long Range Transportation Policy Plan. He expects the plan to be finalized in

November. The findings from the plan for the urban and rural areas were the same. There were concerns about congestion, maintenance, safety and freight movement. He state the development of the Plan was through several public meeting and outreach throughout the state. He stated that TDOT was low on funding with the decline in the gas tax and that next year there will be a deficit between the \$1.8 billion in needs and the funds available. He said that TDOT plans to look at projects on a 10 year inventory plan and funnel projects into TDOT's 3 year plan. TDOT has also devised 8 short term policies with in the Plan. One of these is the creation of the multimodal access grant, which Clarksville has received.

Item #8 was Air Quality updates. Mr. Williams said that the CMAQ applications were due to TDOT on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. The school system may apply for propane buses and CTS is also looking into applying. Mr. Russell said that TDOT had CMAQ funds available and retrofits for diesel equipment or motors would qualify as a project. Mr. Corrigan said that Clarksville is in attainment for the PM 2.5 NAAQS and has no 8 hour ozone violations so far this year.

Item #9 on the agenda was new business. Mr. Williams said the next MPO meeting would be July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Mr. Williams introduced Mr. McClearin from KYTC and announced that he was retiring after 23 years and would be greatly missed. Mayor McMillan thanked him for his good work and the cooperation between TDOT and KYTC. Mr. Williams reviewed the Northwest Transit Corridor Study with a handout that showed the funding of each alternative leading up to commuter rail to Nashville from Clarksville and the time frame. The Study should be completed by August 2016. Mr. Williams stated that like TDOT, KYTC has lost revenue from the gas tax. In 2015 KYTC loss \$20 million and will lose \$112 million this year. Mr. McClearin said that the KYTC maintenance budgets have been slashed due to the loss and the state funded projects will be pushed out further. It will be several years before KYTC will be able to pull out of this. Ms. Jones introduced herself as the KYTC Board Representative in Thomas Witt's absence. She is part of the KYTC MPO team.

There was no other new business. The meeting was adjourned.

Dated: April 21, 2016

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Mayor Jim Durrett, Chairman  
MPO Executive Board