



**Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
June 23, 2010 McCloskey Conference Room 135, City Hall**

Technical Advisory Committee minutes are transcribed in a summarized outline manner. Audio recordings are on file with the City of Bloomington Planning Department.

Attendance

Technical Advisory Committee: Kurt Babcock (County GIS), John Collisson (County Highway), Jane Fleig (City of Bloomington Utilities), Perry Maull (IU Campus Bus), Tom Micuda (City Planning Director), Doug Norton (Rural Transit), Barb Purdom-Phipps (County Auditor’s Office), Jim Ude (INDOT), Joyce Williams (proxy for Adrian Reid—City Engineering), Gregg Zody (County Planning),

Others: Josh Desmond (MPO Staff), Scott Robinson (MPO Staff) and Jane Weiser (MPO Staff).

- I. Call to Order**—Jane Fleig called the meeting to order.
- II. Approval of Minutes:**
 - A. May 26, 2010:** Perry Maull moved approval. Tom Micuda seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.
- III. Communications from the Chair**—None.
- IV. Reports from Officers and/or Committees**
 - A. Updates on BMCMPPO & ARRA funded projects**—Mr. Collisson reported that Vernal Pike is underway, Mathews Dr./Mt. Tabor Bridge is still in design, Business 37 is done, and other projects are being patched and paved. Ms. Williams reported that Walnut St. and the sidewalk project are both substantially complete. The signal projects are delayed temporarily. Third St. is moving along.
 - B. Citizens Advisory Committee**—Mr. Robinson noted that the CAC is still working on their project scoring system. They will nominate their LRTP Task Force representatives tonight.
- V. Reports from the MPO Staff**
 - A. Project Quarterly Tracking Reports**—Mr. Robinson presented the most recent Quarterly Tracking Report. Mr. Micuda asked Mr. Ude if the bypass project has officially started. Mr. Ude said they were to start staking right-of-way on Monday. Ms. Williams said there were surveyors at Kinser this morning. Mr. Ude said that Monroe to Kinser will be the first segment.
 - B. FY 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment**
 - a. Indiana University Campus Bus**—Mr. Robinson reported that the Policy Committee amended the FY2010-2013 TIP to allow Campus Bus a discretionary grant. Mr. Maull explained the funds would upgrade the buses that they are buying from standard diesel to hybrid. It will cost \$2.3 Federal money and \$500,000 from IU. Last Friday was the deadline.
- VI. Old Business**
 - A. Highway Safety Improvement Program Guidelines – Road Safety Audit**—Mr. Robinson reported that staff has been given direction from INDOT that road safety audits are

required for HSIP funded projects. HSIP funds can be used to conduct them. INDOT will host training for LPAs and consultants. The County did an RSA for the S. Rogers St. project and it wasn't too onerous.

VII. New Business

A. Public Participation Plan Amendment—Mr. Robinson said that staff wants to amend the Public Participation Plan. Committee members should review the policy posted on the MPO website. At the August meetings, we will seek a recommendations from both the TAC and CAC. The amendment is to clarify that there is a minimum 45-day public comment period required for changes to the document. It also includes a provision that both the MPO director and the Policy Committee Chair have to sign off on minor TIP amendments that pertain to cost, phase cost, funding sources, dates, map changes, etc. Staff would like to finalize these changes at the August meeting. Mr. Micuda suggested adding several examples of amendments that had to go through the exhaustive process when it would have been easy to do administrative amendments. Ms. Fleig wanted it clarified that the MPO director and the Policy Committee chair would be associated with 2 different employment sources.

B. Long Range Transportation Plan Task Force (*Nomination Requested*)—Mr. Desmond reviewed the history of and reason for forming a LRTP Task Force. There will be 2-4 members from each MPO committee serving on the Task Force. The PC's representatives are Andy Ruff, Bill Williams, Susie Johnson and Richard Martin. Mr. Micuda nominated Adrian Reid, Lew May, Jane Fleig, and Kurt Babcock. Perry Maull seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Communications from Committee Members (*non-agenda items*)—Mr. Micuda reported that he and Raymond Hess attended two I-69 meetings: the Bloomington Economic Development Corporation; and the Chamber of Commerce. The meetings were well attended. INDOT provided a broad overview on all sections emphasizing what had happened with Sections 1, 2, and 3. More detailed information was provided regarding Sections 4 and 5. Section 5 interchanges are still being evaluated by the Section Office.

Ms. Purdom-Smith said that she has found a small grant opportunity for regional planning organizations. The deadline is 6/30. It would support green infrastructures activity.

Mr. Robinson said that the PC asked staff to look at air quality issues in the forthcoming Tier 2 Environmental Impact Statement. Staff will probably need some guidance from the TAC.

A. Topic Suggestions for future agendas

IX. Upcoming Meetings (July Summer Recess – No July Meetings)

A. Technical Advisory Committee – August 25, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. (McCloskey Room)

B. Citizens Advisory Committee – August 25, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. (McCloskey Room)

C. Policy Committee – September 10, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. (McCloskey Room)

Adjournment

These minutes were approved by the TAC at their regular meeting held on 8/25/10 (RCH).