



Minutes Technical Advisory Committee, Policy Committee (Joint Meeting) September 5, 2018 8:00 AM

TAC and PC Members Present	Organization
J. Pritchard	Lowndes County
Tom McQueen	GDOT
Bill Slaughter	Lowndes County
Mark Barber	City of Valdosta
Tamara Christion	City of Valdosta
Pat Collins	City of Valdosta
Justin DeVane	Brooks County
John Gayle	City of Valdosta
Mike Fletcher	Lowndes County
Lisa Cribb	SGRC
Tim Warren	GDOT
Others Present	
Corey Hull	SGRC
Amy Martin	SGRC
JD Dillard	GDOT
Dennis Carter	GDOT
Gary Wisenbaker	VLCOC
Christi Lovett	GDOT
Amy Martin JD Dillard Dennis Carter Gary Wisenbaker	SGRC GDOT GDOT VLCOC

Agenda Item #1 - Call to Order

Mr. Slaughter called the meeting to order at 8:10 AM.

Agenda Item #2 – Introductions/Roll Call

Mr. Slaughter asked those present to introduce themselves and state their affiliation with the committee.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes

Mr. Slaughter asked the committee members to review the June 7, 2018 and February 22, 2018 meeting minutes. Mr. Collins made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Mr. DeVane seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried.

Agenda Item #4– New Business

<u>A. PM2 and PM3 Performance Measures Amendment to the 2040 TVP and FY 18-21 TIP</u> <u>Resolution 2019-1</u>

Action: Recommendation/Vote for Approval

Ms. Martin explained to the committees that federal legislated transportation performance management regulations were mandated last year and that States as well as MPO's are now responsible to set/adopt targets to address the national measures and goals that have been set. Ms. Martin informed the committees that the current set of goals/measures and targets that VLMPO that are up for adoption are the bridge/pavement condition, system reliability, and freight movement and that the state has already adopted its targets and that staff recommends that the VLMPO adopt the state targets as well. Ms. Martin directed the committees to the updated amendments located in the agenda packet. Mr. Gayle made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-1. Mr. DeVane seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried.

B. PC: Policy Committee Bylaws Amendment

Action: Vote for Approval (Requires 2/3 Vote)

Mr. Hull reminded the committee that due to Lanier County recently annexing a portion of Berrien County, Ray City is now a part of the designated MPO area. Mr. Hull explained that due to this recent change the Policy Committee Bylaws have been amended to include the Mayor of Ray City as part of the Policy committee and serve on an annual rotating bases. Mr. Hull stated that to approve the amendment to the Bylaws takes a 2/3 vote. Hr. Hull also notified the committee that this amendment will trigger an updated MOU as well. Ms. Cribb made a motion to approve the amended Bylaws. Mr. Gayle seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried.

<u>C. FTA 5303 Resolution to Apply for FY 2020 Funds: Resolution 2019-2</u> Action: Recommendation/Vote for Approval

Mr. Dillard directed the committees to the last page in the agenda. He informed the committees that the resolution is an annual resolution that allows for federal funding that will help with UPWP projects and the 2045 LRTP to develop the plan in house. He informed the committees that the resolution is for FY 2020 funds. Mr. Slaughter asked if the grant had a match. Mr. Hull stated that he could look it up really quick. Mr. Hull stated that the total local match from Valdosta and Lowndes County is \$5,000 for fiscal year 2019 and FY2020 should be around the same amount. Mr. Gayle made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-2. Mr. DeVane seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried.

D. 2045 Socioeconomic Data Study Presentation

Mr. Hull introduced Ms. Whitney Shepard of Transport Studio to the committees and gave a brief description of the project that she was working on for the VLMPO. Ms. Shepard explained to the committees how the data for the 2045 Socioeconomic Study was created and analyzed. Ms. Shepard showed maps that represent the current and future projected demographic data, economic growth areas, and environmental justice areas and explained the data for each relevant graphic. Ms. Shephard made a recommendation that as planning efforts move forward, the committee should consider the low income and minority areas within the community that have been highlighted in her study. Ms. Shepard also notified the committees that the VLMPO will also have access to the database allowing for them to use the information to help in decision making.

E. Complete Streets Policy Update Presentation

Presentation was put off until next meeting.

F. TAC, PC: Valdosta Traffic Signal Study Update Presentation

Mr. Hull directed the committees to the Kimley Horn Executive Summary handout for the City of Valdosta's Traffic Signal Timing Study. Mr. Hull gave a brief overview of the findings from the study, stating that by changing the signal timings for over 45 signals in Valdosta, and completing improvements that are recommended by the study improved timing plans will pay for themselves every 7.2 workdays. This is a savings of \$3.3 million dollars. Mr. Collins explained to the committee that one of the intersection improvements in the report is St. Augustine, and now with TSPLOST, these improvements will be made. Mr. Collins continued giving updates concerning infrastructure improvements. Mr. Collins thanked DOT for providing the City of Valdosta with updated software. Mr. Collins also thanked the Valdosta City Council for approving the \$500,000 dollars needed to purchase the TIMS units, which will put our system to communicate through the cloud. Mr. Collins notified the committees that the City of Valdosta will also have an app, similar to the Waze app that will be released soon.

G. FY 2018 Crash Report Presentation

Ms. Martin directed the committees to the handouts that were pulled from the FY 2018 Crash Report. Ms. Martin explained to the committee that the crash report is an annual report that analyzes what types of crashes are taking place, the frequency, and other variables. Mr. Hull stated that a member of the CAC asked if the City of Valdosta and/or the Lowndes County have any planned improvements for some of the high crash locations. Mr. Hull also notified the committees that the VLMPO does have access to all the crash reports throughout the state. Mr. Fletcher notified the committees that Knights Academy intersection has warranted traffic signals and that intersection is on the list. Also, there will be signals at Forrest and Bemiss and Forrest and Mt. Zion.

Agenda Item #5– Staff Update

A. Regional Connectivity Study

Mr. Hull explained to the committees that the regional connectivity study is in contract negotiations and hope to have the contract ready to go by October 1. The regional connectivity study will be looking at future roadway improvements in Lowndes County and how the roads are impacted by traffic from neighboring counties.

B. Tools of the Trade Conference

Mr. Hull notified the committees that Andrew Smith and Amy Martin attended the Tools of the Trade Conference for Small Cities, where Andrew Smith presented his report on Complete Streets Suitability in the VLMPO area.

C. Parking Study

Mr. Hull notified the committees that August Huckleberry is the new transportation intern and will be working on a Parking Study report for the VLMPO area.

D. AMPO Conference in San Antonio

Mr. Hull notified the committees that he would be attending the annual AMPO conference in San Antonio during the month of September.

E. FY 2018 Annual Report

Mr. Hull notified the committees that the FY18 Annual Report will be going out next week.

Agenda Item #6 – Privilege of the Floor/Public Comment

Mr. Slaughter opened the floor for public comment. There were no additional comments.

Agenda Item #7 - Next Meeting Date and Time

The next meeting TAC meeting will be will be Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 9:00 AM at the SGRC office. The next PC meeting will be Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 10:30 AM at the SGRC office.

<u>Agenda Item #8 – Adjournment</u>

Mr. Gayle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned by acclamation.