

SUMMARY MINUTES

MACORTS Policy Committee
Athens-Clarke County Planning Department – Auditorium
120 W. Dougherty Street, Athens
Wed, February 12, 2020
10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Kelly Girtz, Athens-Clarke County Mayor
John Scarborough, Madison County Chairman
John Daniell, Oconee County Chairman
Radney Simpson, GDOT Planning Office
Sara Beresford, Athens-Clarke County Citizen

Others Present: Sherry McDuffie, MACORTS Staff
Cherie Varnum, MACORTS Staff
Brad Griffin, MACORTS Staff
Pat Hale, Athens Transit Department
Jalen Ford, GDOT Planning
Kim Coley, GDOT District 1
Ryan Walker, GDOT Intermodal Office
Lee Becker, Oconee County Citizen

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Girtz called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

II. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 13, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Simpson made a motion to approve the November 13, 2019 meeting minutes.
Mr. Daniell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

III. REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED AT TCC MEETINGS / PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS

There was none.

IV. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION TO 2045 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN & FY 18 -21 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: PM1 (SAFETY) 2020 TARGETS

Ms. McDuffie stated the information about safety targets was sent to members for review prior to the meeting. She noted that in previous years the MPO, along with those throughout the state, had agreed to support the safety targets developed by GDOT. As an administrative modification to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) documents, public involvement beyond the MACORTS meetings is not required. She reported that TCC recommended approval to support GDOT's safety targets.

Mr. Daniell made a motion to adopt the administrative modification to the 2045 MTP and TIP to agree to support the 2020 Safety Targets as approved by the GDOT. Mr. Scarborough seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

V. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION TO 2045 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN & FY 18 -21 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: TRANSIT ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN 2020 TARGETS

Ms. McDuffie stated that GDOT developed a Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan that includes the small transit urban systems in Georgia and developed performance targets in the plan for transit state of good repair. Athens Transit Department agreed to support the targets in the GDOT TAM Plan and MACORTS was asked to reflect that support as an administrative modification to the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and FY 2018 - 2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Since this is an administrative modification to the MTP and TIP documents, public involvement beyond the MACORTS meetings is not required. TCC recommended adopting the targets in the TAM Plan.

Mr. Daniell made a motion to adopt the administrative modification to the 2045 MTP and 18-21 TIP to agree to support the 2020 TAM Plan Targets as approved by the GDOT. Mr. Scarborough seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

VI. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF FINAL DRAFT FY 2021 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

Ms. McDuffie stated the Final Draft FY21 UPWP document was previously sent to board members for review. She noted the changes were highlighted for easy reference. The GDOT and FHWA comments were addressed in the document including: references to the Planning Emphasis Areas from FHWA were deleted

since they were outdated and language was revised and/or added about the 2020 Census. The list of priorities for FY 21 was modified to include the analysis and incorporation of census data. It is anticipated that data would become available toward the end of FY 21. She stated the funding levels did decrease slightly (\$349) for the Planning Transportation Grant, but there was no change in the 5303 transportation planning grant. This amount will be deducted from Element 1.4 Equipment and Supplies.

Mr. Scarborough made a motion to adopt the Final FY 2021 UPWP. Ms. Beresford seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

IX. ADJOURN

Mr. Girtz adjourned the meeting at 10:10 am. He stated the next meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2020.

That meeting was subsequently cancelled.