

SUMMARY MINUTES

MACORTS Technical Coordinating Committee
WebEx Virtual Meeting Platform
Wednesday, April 23, 2022
10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Brad Griffin – ACC Planning Director
Robert Walker – ACC Planning Department
Stephen Bailey - ACC Transportation & Public Works
Pat Hale - ACC Transit Department
Sheridan Soileau – ACC Public Utilities
Kimberly Grayson - GDOT Planning
Jody Woodall- Oconee County Public Works
Todd Berven - UGA Transit System
Phil Peevy – GDOT Intermodal
Justin Lott, GDOT District 1
SueAnne Decker – GDOT District 1

Others Present: Victor Pope, ACC Transit
Tom Caiafa, GDOT Planning
Ginny Hamilton, UGA Transit System
Lee Becker, Oconee County Resident
Sharon Thelen, Resident
John Butler, Resident

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Mr. Griffin called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

Mr. Griffin acknowledged citizens attending:

- Lee Becker
- Sharon Thelen
- John Butler

III. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 26, 2022 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Woodall made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2022 TCC meeting. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

IV. REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENT & FINALIZE 21-24 TIP AMENDMENT SR10Lp @ MIDDLE OCONEE BRIDGE

Mr. Griffin informed the committee that there was one attendee at the in-person public meeting at the 120 W. Dougherty Street building, and one attendee at the virtual meeting, a representative from ACC Leisure Services. No specific comments were provided by either of these attendees.

Mr. Bailey noted that ACC Leisure Services was interested in pursuing a greenway connection under the bridges at some point in the future.

Mr. Woodall moved to forward the project to Policy Committee. Mr. Pope seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

V. REVIEW OF PROPOSED MTP & TIP AMENDMENTS FOR SR316 @ VIRGIL LANGFORD AND OCONEE CONNECTOR ROW PROJECTS

Mr. Griffin started by correcting an error that stated the Virgil Langford section of the project was in fact a grade separation project, not an interchange. Mr. Griffin made note that this project was adding in money for both projects, as well as bringing the projects forward in terms of timeline. Additionally, it was clarified that in the original agenda, it was indicated that a project was going to have to be removed, however ACC Planning learned that that was no longer going to be the case. Mr. Griffin also explained the proposed timeline for the public involvement portion of these amendments.

Ms. Hale moved to approve; Mr. Bailey seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

VI. REVIEW & RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION FOR SR316 @ JIMMIE DANIEL ROAD PROJECT

Mr. Griffin explained that this project is related to the previous item, but is an administrative modification rather than an amendment due to the amount of money changing being less than the 20% threshold.

Ms. Berven moved to approve those targets and forward to the Policy Committee. Ms. Solieau seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None

VIII. UPDATES / OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Pope stated that ACC Transit is down 25% in usage for the previous month. This is largely due to post pandemic impacts. Mr. Pope also noted that ridership for on-demand services in North Athens has been stable.

Mr. Berven echoed Mr. Pope's comments that UGA Transit has also had reduced ridership largely due to the pandemic. Mr. Berven also updated the group on UGA events that could cause traffic concerns in the spring.

Mr. Woodall stated that Oconee PW was continuing design for two roundabouts on SR 53 and are currently with GDOT. They are also working to identify intersections in Oconee that have unusually high accident counts.

Ms. Solieau stated that ACC PUD had begun major construction at the middle Oconee plant. Ms. Solieau also stated that they're kicking off a new billing software.

Mr. Bailey stated that ACC PW received notice to proceed on the Tallassee bridge project, and are working towards notice to proceed with painting in May.

Ms. Decker explained proper procedure for handling data in coordination with GDOT.

IX. ADJOURN

Mr. Griffin adjourned the meeting at 10:28 am. The next meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2022.