

MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)**  
CAPITAL REGION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

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Tuesday, August 27, 2019  
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM

EBR Main Library, Conference Room 102  
7711 Goodwood Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA

**Technical Advisory Committee Members Present:**

H. Gerard Landry, Jackie Bowman, David Barrow, Dan Broussard, Tacie Rabalais, Garrick Rose, Joshua Stutes, Frank Duke, Kevin Durbin, Casey Lewis, Mary Gourdon, Fred Raiford, Kathy Stites, David Toups, Darnell Waites, Yasoob Zia.

**The meeting was also attended by:**

Jennifer Branton, Carlos McCloud, Rowdy Gaudet, Kessler Mar, Nathan Baylot, Marissa Lingoni, Maria Bernard, Sherri LeBas, Ruth Phillips, Steven Lumpkin, Chad Bacas, PK Dang, Kim Marousek, Ravi Ponnappureddy, Kaysie Salvatore, Jamie Setze, Tyisha Brown-Tolbert, Dana Weidman, Pong Wu.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

*H. Gerard Landry, TAC Vice-Chairman*

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman H. Gerard Landry at 10:30 AM and began with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by self-introductions by attendees.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING**

*H. Gerard Landry, TAC Vice-Chairman*

Vice-Chairman Landry asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the July 30, 2019 meeting. Hearing none, a motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Darnell Waites and seconded by David Toups. Without objection so moved.

**3. ONE MORE...ONE LESS**

Ravi Ponnappureddy, CRPC Director of Transportation, explained to the committee CRPCs new "One More...One Less" challenge. This challenge is to everyone to use or choose one thing more of one thing less that will benefit them personally and/or professionally. CRPCs staff has chosen recycling as their "One Less". Committee members were asked to embrace the challenge and invited to share their selections at the next TAC meeting.

**4. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Transportation Improvement Program (2019-2022) Amendments – Highway Projects**

- Project # H.000358 US 190: LA 415 & RR OVERPASS REPL (HBI)  
Add construction phase at a cost of \$30M NHPP at 80/20 in FFY 2022
- Project # H.012169 I-10: IBERVILLE P/L – W END OF BR 290  
Project name is change to what is shown  
Add engineering phase at a cost of \$165K NHPP at 90/10 in FFY 2019  
Construction phase cost is now \$13M NHPP at 90/10 in FFY 2022
- H.012587 I-10: W END OF BR 290 – W END OF LA 415  
Add engineering phase at a cost of \$135K NHPP at 90/10 in FFY 2019  
Construction phase cost is now \$16.5M NHPP at 90/10 in FFY 2021

Committee members reviewed the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments-Highway Projects. Following brief discussion, it was agreed that all three amendments would be accepted in a single motion. A motion to accept the three TIP Highway Projects amendments as presented was made by David Toups and seconded by David Barrow. Without objection so moved.

## **B. Transportation Improvement Program (2019-2022) Amendments – Transit Projects**

### FY 2018-2019 – FTA 5307 Grant

Add the following Line Items

- Rolling Stock (Non-Revenue Vehicle) - \$40K Federal, \$10 Local, Total - \$50K
- Chargers (For 2 electric buses) - \$60K Federal, \$15 Local, Total - \$75K
- Bus Washers - \$211K Federal, \$52K Local, Total \$263K

Modify the Following Line Items

- Change line item Rolling Stock (3) Buses for \$1,460K federal funds to Rolling Stock (2) Electric Buses for \$1,385K Federal funds
- Increase allocation to Preventive Maintenance from \$2,800K to \$2,999 federal funds
- Decrease allocation to Associated Transportation Improvements from \$400K to \$200K federal funds

### FY 2018-2019 – FTA 5339 Grant

Modify the Following Line Items

- Decrease the allocation for Bus Lease Payments from \$558K to \$525K federal funds
- Increase allocation to Rolling Stock (Bus Support Equipment/Facilities - Support Vehicles) from \$163K to \$196K federal funds

### FY 2018-2019 – Add Carry Over Grants

- \$335K (federal) of 2009 DOTD TAP Funds for BRT Stations on Florida Blvd
- \$101K (100%) of 2008, 2009, 2011 Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) funds for JARC related projects
- \$30K (federal) of 2013 FTA 5307 funds for shelter enhancements (garbage cans and batteries of solar lights)
- \$34K (federal) of 2014 FTA 5307 funds for security (light bulbs and doors)

### FY 2019-2020 – Add LONO Grants

- \$2.5M (federal – 75/25 cost share) for procuring electric buses.

Garrick Rose with CATS reviewed the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments-Transit Projects. Following brief discussion, it was agreed that all four amendments would be accepted in a single motion. A motion to accept the four TIP Transit Projects amendments as presented was made by Kevin Durbin and seconded by Darnell Waites. Without objection so moved.

**C. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) FY 2019-2020 Amendment**

CRPC was approved for \$45K State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) funding FHWA for helping advance the understanding of the State and LPA's options regarding EDC5 Value Capture and will further advance alternative funding opportunities for infrastructure investment. This project will:

1. survey existing value capture initiatives in Louisiana;
2. assess the learning objectives of LPA's with regard to value capture options; share value capture best practices through a peer exchange;
3. share FHWA information about value capture objectives and options, such as the Value Capture handbook, with interested LPA's and stakeholders;
4. hold a workshop with interested stakeholders to broaden general knowledge base about value capture options;
5. evaluate the legal framework in Louisiana and determine if legislative authority is needed to enable LPA's to adopt value capture ordinances; and,
6. develop a guidebook to teach LPA's how to implement local value capture ordinances.

Committee members reviewed the Unified Planning Work Program FY2019-2020 Amendment regarding EDC5 Value Capture. Following general discussion, a motion to accept the UPWP FY2019-2020 amendment was made by Fred Raiford and seconded by Frank Duke. Without objection so moved.

**5. NON-ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Local Road Functional Classification Change Request Process**

Carlos McCloud from FHWA gave a brief presentation of the proper method and documentation that needs to be followed when requesting reclassification of local roads to be federal aid eligible.

FHWA recommends that a Functional Classification Working Group be formed in an effort to review our regional transportation network's continuity and connectivity. This review would make recommendations for additions and subtraction to the network, prior to the Urbanized Area (UZA) Boundary update after the 2020 Census year.

**B. DOTD Local Road GIS (Mapping) Application**

**Nathan Baylot with DOTD presenting details about...**

- Purpose behind creating local road web application
- Why it is important for locals to provide ongoing updates to public roads within their jurisdiction?
- How to access and navigate the web application? And
- How and when locals can provide updates using the web application?

**C. CRPC Projects/Tasks Update**

Committee members were updated on some of the projects CRPC is currently handling. Among them are two RFPs – one for Planning Services Technical Assistance and the other for Regional Traffic Data Collection. Both are three-year projects. Another major undertaking is the Household Travel Survey which will be pushed out to approximately 100,000 households in the five-parish area.

**6. Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM. A motion to adjourn was made by Rowdy Gaudet and seconded by Fred Raiford.