

**WEST MICHIGAN METROPOLITIAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROGRAM (WESTPLAN)
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING**

MEETING MINUTES

August 2, 2018

West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission, 3rd Floor
Muskegon, Michigan

Members Present: Matt Farrar, Muskegon County (Chairperson)
James Koens, MATS
Doug Kadzban, City of Muskegon Heights
Derek Gajdos, City of Grand Haven
Tiffany Bowman, Harbor Transit
Steve Biesada, City of Roosevelt Park
James Murphy, City of Norton Shores
Craig Bessinger, City of Ferrysburg
Paul Bouman, MCRC
Marc Fredrickson, MDOT Muskegon TSC
David Fairchild, MDOT Lansing
Steve Redmond, MDOT Grand Region
LeighAnn Mikesell, City of Muskegon
Leo Evans, City of Muskegon
Steve Redmond, MDOT Grand Region

Members Absent: Ben VanHoeven, Village of Spring Lake
Randy Phillips, City of North Muskegon
Jeremy Statler, Village of Fruitport
Brian Armstrong, City of Whitehall
Andrea Dewey, FHWA (Non-Voting)
Marcia Jeske, Rural Township Rep
Brett Laughlin, OCRC (Vice Chairperson)
Scott Beishuizen, City of Montague
John Nash, Spring Lake Township

Others Present: Tyler Kent, MDOT
Laird Schaefer, Citizen Grand Haven Township

Staff Present: Brian Mulnix, WMSRDC
Joel Fitzpatrick, WMSRDC

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Farrar called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Mr. Farrar asked all attending to introduce themselves.

II. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. A motion was made and supported to approve minutes of the May 3, 2018 Technical Committee meeting. Motion approved. *M/S Bessinger/Kadzban*

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The WestPlan Public Participation Plan procedure was followed to achieve public participation for this meeting. There were no comments from the public.

IV. TIP AMENDMENTS

Mr. Mulnix spoke on the FY2017-2020 TIP. The committee members received a copy of the proposed Amendment M as follows.

FY2017-2020 TIP Amendment M

Harbor Transit

FY2018

- 5339 Discretionary for Harbor Transit Operations Center Expansion-\$1 million to Candidate Projects list
- 5307- 5 replacement buses Federal \$548,041 State \$137,010 -project list
- 5339- 1 replacement bus Federal \$65,210 State \$16,303 for State -project list
- CMAQ Marketing Activities \$37,500-project list
- CMAQ- 2 replacement buses Federal \$248,000 State \$62,000 -project list

MDOT

FY2018

- CMAQ- JOB #127478 EPE Move project from FY 2019 to FY2018-US-31

MDOT staff asked to have the MDOT job removed from this amendment and handled at a later date. It was also discussed that this and any projects on this list that can be moved forward via Administrative Modification should be handled in that way. MPO Staff indicated that they would follow up and proceed as directed.

A motion was made to approve the proposed Amendment M. The motion was approved. M/S Mikesell/Bessenger

V. MDOT TRAVEL DEMAND

Tyler Kent gave a brief update on the Long Range Transportation Planning Travel Demand Model process.

VI. MPO ROUNDTABLE

- Mr. Redmond mentioned that the MDOT 5-Year Plan is now available online
- Mr. Bessenger asked about the Grand Haven Draw Bridge, discussion followed. Mr. Fredrickson said the electrical components will be upgraded in 2019
- Mr. Fredrickson discussed the US31 buckling issues, repair work has started and full joint repairs will occur
- Mr. Fredrickson mentioned the “Build” Grant that MDOT has applied for to fund improvements at the US-31/Sherman Blvd. Interchange area
- Mrs. Mikesell discussed the City of Muskegon FY2019 CMAQ project and that they may request to change the scope of the project.
- Mr. Fairchild mentioned that Jobnet Phase II is up and running and should streamline the TIP Amendment process.

VII. NEW BUSINESS – There was no new business

VIII. OLD BUSINESS – There was no old business to discuss.

IX. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The WestPlan Public Participation Plan procedure was followed to achieve public participation for this meeting. No member of the public spoke.

X. ADJOURN- Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.