



Santa Fe Metropolitan Planning Organization

"Promoting Interconnected Transportation Options"



Santa Fe MPO Technical Coordinating Committee

Monday August 10, 2015, 1:30 P.M.

City of Santa Fe Offices @ Market Station

500 Market Street, Suite 200, Santa Fe, NM

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

AGENDA

DATE 8/5/15 TIME 4:16pm

PREPARED BY Mark Tibbetts

REVIEWED BY Alicia Blaxley

- ◆ Call to Order
- ◆ Roll Call
- ◆ Approval of Agenda
- ◆ Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 22, 2015 and July 20, 2015

1. Communications from the Public

2. Items for Discussion and Possible Action:

- a. Review and Recommendation on an Amendment to the FFY2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program — *MPO Staff*
- b. Review and Recommendation on the Santa Fe Metropolitan Pedestrian Master Plan – *MPO Staff*
- c. Update on Transportation Improvement Program projects

3 Matters from the MPO Staff

4. Matters from TCC Members

5. Adjourn - Next TCC Meeting: Monday August 24, 2015

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**MINUTES OF THE
SANTA FÉ MPO
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
July 20, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Santa Fé MPO Technical Coordinating Committee was called to order on the above date by John Romero, Chair, at approximately 1:30 p.m. in the Large Conference Room, 500 Market Station, Suite 200, Santa Fé, New Mexico.

ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Romero, Chair, City of Santa Fé
Jon Bulthuis, Santa Fé Trails
Vicki Lucero, Santa Fé County
Desirae Luján, City of Santa Fe
Richard MacPherson, City of Santa Fé
Ray Matthew, Santa Fe County
Dave Quintana, NMDOT
Greg Smith, City of Santa Fe

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Erik Aaboe, Santa Fé County
Charles Dorame, Tesuque Pueblo
Adam Leigland, Santa Fe County
Anthony Mortillaro, NCRTD

STAFF PRESENT:

Keith Wilson, Senior MPO Planner
Mark Tibbetts, MPO Officer
Erick Aune, MPO Transportation Planner

OTHERS PRESENT:

Carl Boaz, Stenographer
Dave Waston, Urban and Regional Planner, NMDOT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Quintana moved to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Lucero seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 22, 2015 & July 20, 2015

Mr. Bulthuis moved to approve the minutes of June 22, 2015 and July 20, 2015 as presented. Mr. MacPherson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

1. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no communications from the public.

2. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

a. Review and Recommendation of a Proposed Amendment to the FFY 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program – MPO Staff

Mr. Wilson said they developed a new TIP a month ago and made additional amendments before submitting it. In July they added some new projects and on July 20 approved it for public review. So the remaining amendments are the Interstate Pavement Preservation that was moved from FFY 2019 and 2021 to FY 2019 and adding bridge prevention maintenance. Also, L500219 was added - Defouri Street & Guadalupe Bridges as regionally significant. Those are the only ones. No comments were received from the public except questions regarding the DeFouri Bridge. He asked for a recommendation for TPB and then DOT approval by the end of August.

Mr. Smith arrived at 1:40 p.m.

Mr. Quintana moved to recommend approval of the proposed amendments to the FFY 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program. Mr. Matthew seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

b. Review and Recommendation of the Draft Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2015-2040 – MPO Staff

Mr. Tibbetts said he emailed the draft last week to the members. This is the summary of revisions made. It added one criterion to the list. He handed out a summary of the comments. They changed the titles on it. The beginning is phase 1 - Chapter 1. Then 3, 4, 5, and 6 are the next phase.

He added two criteria, one of which was a criterion of high pedestrian use, medium pedestrian use or low pedestrian use, to determine priority areas and locations. We want to focus more immediate

attention to those of high use but the area might have low use because of major issues. Around South Capital was a higher level. All of them are still listed. They added an area of concern at Guadalupe. It is a location rather than area but added part of the corridors for attention. Most of them are corridors and have more than just a crossing or missing sidewalk - issues of speed differentials, mid-block crossings, etc. They are high demand areas or areas of deficiencies. The ranking was changed by issue of critical concern and he showed the scores with the new criteria. The numbers are from public input (prior to 30-day review).

The school area improvements slide was shown.

For Next Steps - the presentation was on August 4 and August 6, and they are in the documentation work now. This re-emphasized the steps to get funding through advocacy. The final is on the public comments (handed out). Of the comments, most were fairly general.

Ken Hughes brought up one to include on next steps for funding, dated on July 16 regarding sidewalks widths, etc. He wanted fire hydrants moved off the sidewalks. On CIP funding - to designate a certain percentage (3%) - as a funding source for the sidewalk improvement program from the Water Fund.

The Pedestrian Advocacy Committee can come up with more specific options to take to Council or maybe put it in the plan now with an unspecified percentage.

Chair Romero recalled the last bond had 2.65% for sidewalks and more through the Safety Fund so close to 3% was spent on sidewalks. The MTP should be a plan that helps us to spend the money when we get it. All the advocacy groups asked for more. But the City CIP fund is so broad.

Mr. Wilson said most road improvement projects include all modes to see what improvements are required per ordinance standards, like curb cuts. This is the whole intent of these corridors - improvements for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. That is the intent of all of these plans. The City is already doing that on all projects.

Mr. Wilson asked for a recommendation to the TPB but acknowledging that it is still open on modifications. The TCC could either include Ken Hugh's comment or not in the recommendation to TPB. The record of all public comments will be included.

Mr. Bulthuis asked him to speak to the paragraph under critical concerns about funds for additional studies.

Mr. Tibbetts said they wanted some figure there. They did some under RAF for south Guadalupe that is like a road diet study including things like bus stop improvements. That item is- just funding for the study. They tried to determine a reasonable scoping area, looking at drainage and other detail to get a sense of the cost for the studies.

Mr. Bulthuis asked if they would move through at the prioritized sequence.

Mr. Tibbetts said they would show the highest level project but not excluding something else, in case something comes up. But yes, the intent would be to prioritize them.

Chair Romero didn't think the City would want to have a specific percent. He could be criticized for how they spend the bond money when not following the plan. He suggested that these areas do not represent as complete a plan as necessary by the respective definitions to give any flexibility of spending money. He pointed out that they might have overlooked some other factors.

Mr. Tibbetts agreed that more fine tuning could be done.

Mr. Bulthuis agreed and mentioned the new Southside Transit facility because they don't have it finished and don't have all the crash data.

Mr. Smith asked if MPO has data that goes with the priorities.

Mr. Tibbetts said when they initially looked at routes, they tried to be more objective, seeing most of these fall on corridors and trying to look at differences. They wanted to make the document more urban and Chair Romero's point is well taken. As we get closer, the flexibility makes sense. It obviously is an immediate need right now and needs improvement and making sure there is access is also important.

Mr. Matthew said he would support an amendment for flexibility. So the timing of the projects on this form would be better.

Mr. Wilson showed a paragraph under the Plan Recommendations similar to what Chair Romero asked for. Mr. Tibbetts agreed.

Chair Romero said if he deviates in the slightest from the plan, he get criticized a lot for it. He pointed out that Item A on the concerned list says these areas do not representative a complete representation of the metropolitan planning area and other areas may be deemed necessary by the respective agency.

Mr. Tibbetts clarified that one could pinpoint one thing in that corridor but it might not be solved just by putting in a segment of sidewalk or a road diet and, for instance, look at other aspects like where people are going - destinations - just further analysis.

They were grappling with individual locations and some were influenced by other things. That is why they focused on the area of critical concern. Otherwise, there would be 250 locations just in the first phase and lots could be addressed in these corridors. It doesn't mean the work can't be phased.

He clarified that this is just the initial analysis and then it can be combined with others, incorporating 4-5 areas of critical concern that could be done quickly.

Mr. Quintana moved to recommend approval of the Draft Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2015-2040 to the TPB, incorporating Chair Romero's comment for critical concerns. Mr. MacPherson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

c. Update on Transportation Improvement Program projects

Mr. Wilson had a handout on some of the projects that are being funded in the current fiscal year. And went through the list.

He commented that everything is being done that needs to be done on project 130.

Regarding 270, Mr. Quintana said it is being submitted on the 31st. It will be about 7-10 days before DOT will have a green light to build it.

Chair Romero noted there were comments on the clarification he made.

Mr. Quintana agreed and that all went into it.

On 311, Mr. Quintana didn't notice the time line but he believed it started in July.

On 370, Mr. Quintana said the \$150,000 is already obligated but they are holding off because it shows the ROW in 2015. It was moved originally because the project is fully funded in 2015. We just have to move it under control of FHWA.

Mr. Wilson agreed to the modification.

Mr. Quintana said 380 was okay.

On 280, Santa Fé River Trail connections, Ms. Luján said this hasn't come back from the state and it is the same thing for 281.

Mr. Quintana agreed to follow up on it.

Mr. Wilson said he emailed Colleen Baker about 282.

Mr. Quintana said that was submitted to FHWA last Monday for their approval.

Mr. Quintana said the funds for 283 were approved last Monday and she should already have received the letter.

Mr. Quintana said they just got the ROW for 380 today. It can be scheduled right away. He agreed to follow up on it.

Mr. Wilson said 390 has some hurdles to overcome.

Mr. Quintana agreed. All are fine except for Cerrillos Road which needs authorization for the modification. The rest he was not worried about.

Mr. Wilson asked about the TAP project for the downtown FTA project.

Mr. Bulthuis said they are still planning to do that in the new federal fiscal year.

Mr. Wilson said the design has to meet all the specs. Mr. Bulthuis agreed.

3. MATTERS FROM MPO STAFF

Mr. Tibbetts announced the MPO will be hosting the quarterly meeting for MPOs in September and put together an agenda. It will be a two day event starting September 16. They will show the road diet on Guadalupe as an example of City projects.

He said the meeting is basically on issues shared by other MPOs. We are all working on plans now including the state plan. We can talk about it more at next TCC meeting in two weeks.

Mr. Wilson said they've had two meeting here and will have one at SFCC and another tomorrow night. We've had a few people make comments.

Mr. Aune said he would create a spreadsheet on those comments and what might change the plans.

4. MATTERS FROM TCC MEMBERS

Mr. Bulthuis was looking for an update on the interstate at Pavilions being fully open to the public.

Mr. Quintana said the final inspection is being scheduled now and once Jaguar Drive gets connected is when it will be fully open.

Mr. Bulthuis pointed out that there is a segment that is not part of the project and when that happens, the floodgates will open.

Chair Romero said it was more on the east side of the interchange.

Mr. Bulthuis asked when the Jaguar connection will be complete.


Chair Romero didn't know. Mary McDonald might have a good idea.

Mr. Smith said it is to have access on the connector to the subdivision plats in the loop between Industrial and Airport. He didn't think they have anything else on the interchange and none was planned for the west side.

5. ADJOURNMENT – Next TCC Meeting: Monday August 24, 2015

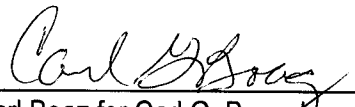
The meeting was adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

Approved by:



John Romero, Chair

Submitted by:



Carl Boaz for Carl G. Boaz Inc.