



## Santa Fe Metropolitan Planning Organization

*"Promoting Interconnected Transportation Options"*



# Santa Fe MPO Technical Coordinating Committee

**Monday August 27, 2012, 1:30 P.M.**

*City Councilors' Conference Room, City Hall  
200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, NM*

## AGENDA

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

DATE 8-22-12 TIME 8:03 am

SERVED BY Kerth Wilson

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- ◆ Call to Order
- ◆ Roll Call
- ◆ Approval of Agenda
- ◆ Approval of Meeting Minutes from July 23, 2012.

### 1. Communications from the Public

### 2. Items for Discussion and Possible Action:

- a. Presentation on the NM475/Washington Ave Intersection Reconstruction Project (CN:S100110) – *NMDOT Staff*
- b. TIP Project Updates – *Lead Agency Staff*
- c. Discussion on Updating the MPO Public Participation Plan – *MPO Staff*

### 3 MPO Officer Report-

### 4. Communications from TCC Members

### 5. Adjourn - Next TCC Meeting: Monday September 24, 2012

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**MINUTES OF THE  
SANTA FÉ MPO  
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE  
August 27, 2012**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Santa Fé MPO Technical Coordinating Committee was called to order on the above date by Alternate Chair Mark Tibbetts at approximately 1:38 p.m. in the Councilors' Conference Room, City Hall, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fé, New Mexico.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call indicated the lack of a quorum (later established) as follows:

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Tamara Baer for Greg Smith – City of Santa Fé  
Jon Bulthuis – Santa Fé Trails [arriving later]  
Dave Quintana for Phil Gallegos – NMDOT District 5  
Vicky Lucero for Penny Ellis-Green – Santa Fé County  
Adam Leigland – Santa Fé County [arriving later]  
Richard Macpherson for Reed Liming – City of Santa Fé  
Eric Martínez – City of Santa Fé  
Anthony Mortillaro – NCRTD [arriving later]  
Colleen Baker – Santa Fé County [arriving later]

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:**

John Romero, Chair - City of Santa Fé [excused]  
Vacancy – Tesuque Pueblo  
Vacancy – Santa Fé County

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Keith Wilson, Senior MPO Planner  
Mark Tibbetts, MPO Officer

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Claude Morelli  
Anne McLaughlin, NMDOT  
Ed Brown  
Michelle

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Considered later after a quorum was established.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - July 23, 2012**

Considered later after a quorum was established.

### **1. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no communications from the public.

Ms. Baker arrived at 1:38.

### **2. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**

#### **a. Presentation on the NM475/Washington Ave. Intersection Reconstruction Project (CN: S100110)**

Mr. Quintana presented the project.

Highway 475 runs from St. Francis at Paseo to the Ski Basin. This project is from Old Taos Road to Otero and on Washington/Bishop's Lodge Road from Federal to Artist Road. The public meeting was well received. He showed an aerial of the affected area.

Mr. Leigland arrived at 1:39.

Mr. Mortillaro arrived at 1:40.

Mr. Quintana said the presentation dealt with scope, funding, constraints, traffic control and weekend closure of Paseo de Peralta. Funding is \$2.7 million with letting in late 2012 and contract execution in February 2013 with completion in the fall of 2013. They estimated 120 working days for the project so it was approximately a five month schedule.

He explained the traffic management during construction. That portion of Bishop's Lodge Road would be closed for 2½ months with a detour on Old Taos and Morales and Bishop's Lodge Road above construction. Local traffic south would detour from Bishop's Lodge to Kearney. Paseo would be closed on Memorial Day weekend (Phase 1a). The pedestrian detour was in Phase 1a.

Phase II would be done during the summer with traffic on the north side of Paseo. Milling 3" of

pavement and constructing 3".

Mr. Bulthuis arrived at 1:55.

In the feedback there was no major heartburn with memorial weekend closing and none for closing Bishop's Lodge Road. The presentation is on the DOT web page under projects.

Since the public meeting he answered questions for a Journal North article two weeks ago. He was misquoted in the article on construction time. Construction could be delayed until April from winter storms. Paving has to go down two feet and archaeological finds could stop construction for cultural dealing or for utility lines.

Mr. Martínez asked if the 120 working days was in the contract.

Mr. Quintana apologized. It was 100 working days. Weekend days are not counted against that. But a disincentive would occur at September 1. The only required weekend is Memorial Day weekend in an 82 hour window.

Ms. Baer asked to what extent it was coordinated with the City.

Mr. Quintana said there would be one contractor and one set of plans. The City provided funds and DOT was working with Public Works and submitted plans for the HDRB.

He added that the curb would extend out 3" on Bishop's Lodge at Artist Road.

A quorum was established and the Committee went back to the Agenda at this time.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Ms. Baer moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Martínez seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - July 23, 2012**

Mr. Leigland said Louis Berger should be Albuquerque Asphalt as the construction firm.

Mr. Bulthuis said the minutes were wrong that no one from the TCC participated because he participated.

**Mr. Bulthuis moved to approve the minutes of July 23, 2012 as amended. Mr. Macpherson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.**

## **b. TIP Project Updates**

Mr. Wilson referred to the summary in the back of the packet. All federally funded projects are moving forward and are obligated. There are private projects as well.

#1 will be moved to FY 13

#9 will be moved to FY 13.

#22 was in flux right now but would be kept for now and moved forward.

#26 is a city project and they were still getting public input on it but moving it to FY 13.

Those were all administrative changes not subject to public review.

Mr. Quintana provided the rest of the review.

#2 would be complete by year end.

#3 was ready to let and construction in 2013.

#6 - The Cerrillos phase 2 is moving along with 2014 funding and more discussion to occur.

#7 will have a public hearing in September. They preferred to leave the location where it is and have a box culvert replaced with twin bridges and off ramps to meet AASHTO standards (lengthened)

#9 funding is moving to 2013 with letting October to December. The scope is a piecemealing of intersections along Cerrillos to Osage without utility impacts and ROW relocated in a full-blown project there at that intersection. It would likely be programmed in the next STIP. They would need to know what was happening at the Santa Fé Indian School.

#11 is Old Pecos Trail and is the same as last time. It is planned to start in the fall with milling inlay of driving lanes. There is no conflicting traffic control.

Mr. Leigland reported: #4 has bid selection on Friday; #8 had precon last week; #12 was combined with other funding.

Ms. Baker said #25 had the design all ready and needed to move to FY 13.

Mr. Quintana thought that amendment was already approved. The amendment to coop agreement was not yet added to the TIP

Mr. Martínez reported on the Cerrillos project that the design would be done in 2013. The RFP went out to award the design contract and it got additional state funds. Design by year end or beginning of 2013.

He said #26 was going through the committees now.

Mr. Wilson reported #10 was under construction.

Mr. Bulthuis said they got additional funds and approved the extension.

Mr. Martinez said #24 was moving forward but they were struggling with property acquisition (Trademark) who had to get agreement from the anchor tenants. That would push it to 2013. We have plenty of time on the grant expenditure.

Mr. Wilson said the first amendment for the new FY would be considered at the next meeting.

Mr. Wilson clarified that they had before just included federal funding but now were including all sources. So if anyone applied for a grant he needed to know so he could include it when funds were awarded.

Mr. Morelli cautioned that it couldn't be included until awarded.

### **c. Discussion on Updating the MPO Public Participation Plan**

Mr. Tibbetts shared the new PPP for members. The plan was done in 2007 and now includes Tesuque Pueblo and our boundary has changed. The new plan talks about the review process. This one requires a 45 day review as soon as we get a release from FHWA. We will have a draft by the September 24 meeting for public review release. We could run into delays so it might be as late as February to TPB. Right now he was just looking for input and could talk about it. It needed to be complete by spring.

Mr. Leigland asked if the county could access the MPO outreach.

Mr. Tibbetts said he could access any MPO message.

Mr. Wilson added when he got anything of interest from the County he included it to the email list. People have signed up for our email messages.

Mr. Quintana asked if they had Facebook notices too. Mr. Wilson agreed.

Ms. Baer felt a lot of things came before the Committee as a reactive process. She was hoping the PPP would get a sense of public interest in transportation planning - pedestrian, transit and multi-modal.

Mr. Tibbetts said that was a good point. We have to start 2 - 2½ years in advance. When budget is in limbo we felt it was a good time to work on pedestrian, bicycle, etc. plans. This is a critical process.

### **3. MPO OFFICER REPORT**

Mr. Wilson said in the Pedestrian Plan Status they were looking at best practices from other plans to get ideas in pre-scoping. They were looking for possible consultants. In 2010 they hired one to package the MTP in a way that was more inclusive and to keep it moving. It will be modeled like the Bike MP - identifying projects, etc. and reference Safe Routes to Schools. He will have more on that at the next TCC meeting. There are some local consultants and also nationally. It is scheduled for completion next year. They were getting a lot of input and were going to the Mayor's Committee on Disability next month.

They signed a contract with Bob Shule with a conference call next Tuesday. They were working on the Zia traffic study and possibly wouldn't do it until spring. They wanted to make sure it is inclusive.

Mr. Morelli asked who was paying for the Zia study.

Mr. Tibbetts said he was told the state was paying for it once the scope was worked out.

Mr. Wilson said if it was outside the UPWP we would have to ask for extra money for it.

Mr. Morelli said DOT is going to 95% obligation so the MPO will get a little bit more money for traffic counts.

Mr. Tibbetts said they were also looking at pedestrian and bicycle counts. We need to show measurable results and need to acquire cameras to help with that. The camera vendor is based in Santa Fé. If it works well, we could purchase a number of them. The next few weeks we will try out the camera. Once we are confident we can purchase it.

He said the city has two different loop detector systems. They were trying to tie it all together. Technically, once on line, you could see the data live. Hopefully next month he could give an overview of it.

The first location will be Second Street. On the Rail Trail we will use pneumatic tube counters. The first he mentioned was an infrared system across the trail.

Mr. Bulthuis asked about the UPWP regarding transit plans.

Mr. Wilson said it was a huge endeavor to identify the inventory of sidewalks. We have talked about transit routes as a way of defining them to identify missing connections. We didn't do that with the Bike MP. It was more with major places. We'll use GIS for bus stops information. The City doesn't have GIS on sidewalks. The transition plan is just for public facilities. We've asked them several times.



Mr. Bulthuis invited MPO staff to the Transit Advisory Board meeting. They meet tomorrow.

#### **4. COMMUNICATIONS FROM TCC MEMBERS**

Mr. Leigland reported the County hired a transportation planner who starts in October. City and County have started the transfer of annexed property areas.

Through a federal grant the County would put gateways in the median and bought some traffic calming devices. They are working on where and when.

Ms. Baer asked about separation of church and state (the cover of PPP showed the St. Francis Cathedral).

Mr. Tibbetts said they were using the logo for now.

Mr. Morelli asked if the MPO had a MAP 21 overview because it would change lots of things.

Mr. Tibbetts said on the 26<sup>th</sup> they would have a presentation at the MPOs' quarterly meeting by FHWA.

Mr. Morelli said they would have two events - one at NMPA from FHWA and the same team at the Social Finance Meeting .Especially trail planning will be really impacted.

Mr. Wilson thought maybe they could use a PPT at the subsequent meeting in October. National Highway System funding will take a large part of MAP 21.

Mr. Quintana announced that on September 11 the northern Regional RPO will have an overview in Los Alamos at 10: a.m. He said they would get more and more information about what it all means.

Mr. Quintana reported meeting with City staff on bus stop enhancements and coordinated with Santa Fé Trails plans.

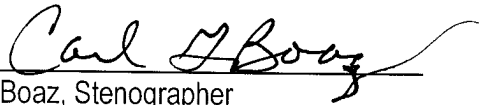
#### **5. ADJOURN – Next TCC Meeting: Monday, September 24, 2012**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Approved by:

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John Romero, Chair

Submitted by:

  
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Carl Boaz, Stenographer