



TWIN CITIES AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

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DATE: Monday June 20, 2016

TIME: 9:00AM

PLACE: Kinexus (Michigan Works!) Anchor Rooms A + B,
499 W Main St, Benton Harbor, MI 49022

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order / Introductions**
- 2. Changes to the Agenda**
- 3. Public Comment**
- 4. Approve Minutes of the May 16, 2016 TAC Meeting (enclosed) ACTION**
- 5. Staff Report**
 - None
- 6. Public Transit**
 - SWMPC Transit Updates
 - Twin Cities Area Transportation Authority
- 7 Committee Reports**
 - Walk and Roll Non-Motorized Planning Process
- 8. Community Land Use and Zoning Member Updates**
- 9. Agency Project Status Reports for 2014-2017 TIP**
- 10. Old Business**
- 11. New Business**
 - 2017-2020 TIP Presentation and Approval ACTION
 - State and Federal Updates
 - Discuss combining TAC and Policy meetings ACTION
- 12. Privilege of the Floor**
- 13. Adjournment**
 - The next TwinCATS Technical Advisory Committee is scheduled for : Monday, July 18, 2016 @ 9:00 am.

TWIN CITIES AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Technical Advisory Committee

Minutes

May 16, 2016

9:00 A.M.

Kinexus, Anchor Rooms A&B

TAC MEMBERS PRESENT:	Calli Berg, Benton Charter Township Brian Berndt, Berrien County Road Commission Chris Cook, City of Benton Harbor Joanne Johnson, Disability Network Southwest Michigan John Lanum, MDOT Statewide Planning Jim Sturdevant, MDOT Statweide Planning Juan Ganum, City of Bridgman John Olson, Merritt Engineering Inc (Village of Shoreham and Stevensville) Jonathan Fisk, St. Joseph Charter Township Planning Commission Evan Smith, Berrien County Community Development Department Jonathon Smith, MDOT Coloma Office Dick Stauffer, Lincoln Charter Township Tim Zebell, City of St. Joseph Gloria Payne, Lake Charter Township Cathy Tilley, Cornerstone Alliance
TAC MEMBERS ABSENT:	Vince Desjardins, Southwest Michigan Regional Airport Representative, Sodus Township Fred Featherly, MDOT Passenger Division (ex officio) Stewart McKenzie, Federal Transit Administration (ex officio) Andrea Dewey, Federal Highway Administration (ex officio) Representative, Cornerstone Alliance Bill Purvis, Twin Cities Area Transportation Authority Donna Wittl, MDOT Statewide Urban Travel Analysis (ex officio) Jason Latham, MDOT Southwest Region
SWMPC STAFF PRESENT:	Kim Gallagher Brandon Kovnat Jerrid Burdue
OTHERS PRESENT:	

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Brian Berndt called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and led the group in introductions.

2. CHANGES TO THE POSTED AGENDA:

Discussion of new project update template

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

4. MINUTES:

- A motion was made by Tim Zebell with support by Cali Berg to approve the minutes of the April 18 TAC meeting as presented. **Motion passed.**

5. STAFF REPORT

- **New SWMPC Staff Introductions**
Done during general introductions
- **Napier Avenue Corridor Study Grant Submitted**
Kim Gallagher: Discussed the bike and ped study for Napier Avenue between St. Joseph River and I-94. This is a competitive grant to MDOT to use FTA 5304 funds, with a local 20% match by SWMPC. Consultant must be chosen by September and the project must be completed within a year. The study will include an engineering study of any possible improvements.
John Lanum: Not many projects were submitted to MDOT, so it's likely to be approved.
Kim: Need update to Berrien County service plan to qualify for dail-a-ride study. Did not apply for this.
- **Bicycles Allowed on Pere Marquette Amtrak Route**
15 spaces allocated for bicycles for a \$10 fee. Part of the Westrain initiative to increase ridership.
- **Project Update Template**
Jerrid Burdue: explained the new template which will be used for all approved projects. Responsible agencies will use this template for reporting updates to projects. Took photos of existing conditions for projects. There will be a visual aid similar to the template in the TIP for all projects.
Kim Gallagher: Spreadsheets will still be included in the TIP
Tim Zebell: suggested including GI dates and obligation dates
Cali: Suggested including project length

6. PUBLIC TRANSIT

- **SWMPC Transit Updates**
Kim Gallagher: April 8th proposals due. 3 have been received. Numerical Scoring matrix being used and the top 2 candidates will be interviewed. Draft contract is being sent to MDOT Passenger Division for approval.
- **TCATA Updates**
None

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Regional Inclusive Community Coalition (RICC)**
None

- **Walk and Roll Report**

Has not met yet, no updates to report.

8. COMMUNITY LAND USE AND ZONING UPDATES

Dick Stauffer: 2nd meeting for PUD to approve Marquette Woods Condominiums

Special Use permit submitted for a skating

rink at corner of Cleveland and Glenlord.

Jonathan Fox: rezoning of old Flowerland property near AutoZone from Business to Industrial.

Cali: no update on hotel completion in Benton Township. Meeting is tomorrow

9. Agency Project Status Reports

MDOT

Jonathan Smith: paver reseal on I-94 BL between I-94 and M-63. Mill and Fill on both sides of I-94 from St. Joseph River to I-196

Benton Harbor

Chris Cook: Property issue with Cornerstone, Letting is being pushed to August

Berrien County Road Commission

Brian Berndt: Pipestone and Napier traffic light completed

Pipestone at Meijer traffic light will have June letting

Shawnee Rd work beginning July 11.

Gloria Payne: water pipe work along this road has already begun

Bid saving of about \$30,000 going towards painting major roads.

10. OLD BUSINESS

None

11. NEW BUSINESS

- **UWP Presentation and Approval**

Kim Gallagher: can be amended if necessary. The UWP documents the core agency functions, most of which are federally mandated.

Policy work includes writing polices such as the Complete Streets Initiative. IT management includes building a digital library, map library and traffic county library. Also scenario planning with Lakeland Hospital for Be Healthy Berrien. Funding for planning comes from FHWA and FTA with a 18.15% local match, from local governments only. \$219,014 from federal sources and \$39,751 from local funding. Pays for SWMPC salaries, office, and Napier Corridor local match.

Motion to approve UWP by Chris Cook, 2nd by Tim Zebell. **Motion Approved.**

12. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

None

13. ADJOURNMENT at 8:48 AM.

Next meeting is June 20, 2016 at 9:00 AM, at Kinexus/Michigan Works! Anchor Rooms A+B.

Will be discussing the TIP

Compiled by: Brandon Kovnat, SWMPC Associate Planner & Jerrid Burdue, SWMPC Planning Intern, 2016.

Project Update – Lakeview Avenue

6/10/2016

Project Name: Lakeview Avenue

MDOT Job Number: -

Contact: Tim Zebell

Project Limits: From Hilltop Road to West Highland Avenue

Project Length: 0.38 miles

Location: City of St. Joseph

Responsible Agency: City of St. Joseph

Year of TwinCATS Funding Award: 2016

Improvement Type: Resurface

Phase: CON

Work Description: Cold Milling and HMA Overlay from Hilltop to West Highland Avenue. Sidewalk ramps will be replaced as needed to meet current ADA standards. Replace storm sewer between Colonial Avenue and West Highland Avenue and from Hilltop Road to 400 ft north of Veronica Drive.

Federal Cost: \$90,000

Federal Funding Source: STUL

Local Cost: \$370,000

Local Funding Source: CITY

Total Cost: \$460,000

Date:

- Resolution of Support for Local Match Submitted to SWMPC
- Project Application Submitted to MDOT
- Grade Inspection Package Submitted to MDOT
- Grade Inspection Meeting Scheduled
- Final Plan and Estimate to MDOT
- Project Obligated Date:
- Project Letting Date:

Expected Project Completion Date:

Percentage of Work Completed to Date:

0%

Project is: on schedule behind schedule, explain:

Construction is scheduled to commence on July 11, 2016

Project Update – I-94 WB

6/6/2016

Project Name: I-94 WB

Jonathon Smith

MDOT Job Number: 113585

Project Limits: On I-94 WB from Red Arrow Highway (Exit 16) for 7.4 miles northeasterly to 0.5 miles northeast of Puetz Road. I-94 WB exit and entrance ramps at Exit 16 and Exit 22 extensions.

Project Length: 7.360 miles

Location: Berrien County

Responsible Agency: MDOT

Fiscal Year of Funding: 2016

Improvement Type: Restore & rehabilitate

Phase: CON

Work Description: Mill existing and place two course HMA Overlay. Shoulder reconstruction. Median grading, replace or repair all culverts under I-94 WB except 84" Tanner Creek. Channel excavation of Thornton County Drain. Crown relocation to between center and outside lane. Under drain installation. Dune grass planting. Ramp accel/decel extensions.

Federal Cost: \$11,655,000

Federal Funding Source: IM

State Cost: \$1,295,000

Local Funding Source: M

Total Cost: \$12,950,000

Project Start Date: 3/2/2016

Expected Project Completion Date: 10/21/2016

Percentage of Work Completed to Date: 20%

Project is: on schedule behind schedule, explain:

Project Update – M-63

6/6/2016

Jonathon Smith

Project Name: M-63

MDOT Job Number: 127625

Project Limits: N JCT I-94BL to NCL Benton Harbor

Project Length: 1.13 miles

Location: Berrien County

Responsible Agency: MDOT

Fiscal Year of Funding: 2016

Improvement Type: Restore & rehabilitate

Phase: CON

Work Description: Concrete Joint Re-Sealing.

Federal Cost: \$129,000

Federal Funding Source: STL

State Cost: \$29,000

Local Funding Source: M

Total Cost: \$158,000

Project Start Date: 6/13/2016

Expected Project Completion Date: 6/30/2016

Percentage of Work Completed to Date:

Project is: on schedule behind schedule, explain:

Project Update – Paving Markings (Benton Harbor)

6/13/2016

Project Name: Paving Markings

MDOT Job Number: -

Chris Cook

Project Limits: Various Federal Aid Routes within City

Project Length: -

Location: City of Benton Harbor

Responsible Agency: City of Benton Harbor

Year of TwinCATS Funding Award: 2016

Improvement Type: Miscellaneous

Phase: CON

Work Description: Restore pavement markings on federal aid routes including Pipestone Road.

Federal Cost: \$23,000

Federal Funding Source: STUL

Local Cost: \$5,000

Local Funding Source: CITY

Total Cost: \$28,000

Date:

Resolution of Support for Local Match Submitted to SWMPC

Project Application Submitted to MDOT

Grade Inspection Package Submitted to MDOT

Grade Inspection Meeting Scheduled

Final Plan and Estimate to MDOT

Project Obligated Date:

Project Letting Date:

Expected Project Completion Date:

6/10/2016

6/10/2016

8/19/2016

11/4/2016

6/16/2017

Percentage of Work Completed to Date:

%

Project is: on schedule behind schedule, explain:

GI Package submitted to MDOT. This project was created with leftover funds.

Project Update – Pipestone at Meijer Entrance

6/10/2016

Project Name: Pipestone at Meijer Entrance

MDOT Job Number: -

Brian Berndt

Project Limits: Pipestone Road at Entrance to Meijer

Project Length: -

Location: Benton Township

Responsible Agency: Berrien County Road Commission

Year of TwinCATS Funding Award: 2016

Improvement Type: Traffic ops/safety

Phase: CON

Work Description: Traffic signal modernization including upgrade of existing signals, removal and replacement of base mount controller & cabinet, signal heads and signal poles, addition of two new signal poles and video detection and preparations for corridor-wide interconnection.

Federal Cost: \$225,000

Federal Funding Source: CM

Local Cost: \$0

Local Funding Source: -

Total Cost: \$225,000

Date:

Resolution of Support for Local Match Submitted to SWMPC

NA

Project Application Submitted to MDOT

Grade Inspection Package Submitted to MDOT

Grade Inspection Meeting Scheduled

Final Plan and Estimate to MDOT

Project Obligated Date:

Project Letting Date:

6/3/2016

Expected Project Completion Date:

11/15/2016

Percentage of Work Completed to Date:

%

Project is: on schedule behind schedule, explain:

Low Bid \$224,478.52.

Project Update – Shawnee Road

6/10/2016

Project Name: Shawnee Road

MDOT Job Number: 120952

Brian Berndt

Project Limits: Bridgman City limits to 0.1 miles East of Jericho Road

Project Length: 0.60 miles

Location: Lake Charter Township

Responsible Agency: Berrien County Road Commission

Year of TwinCATS Funding Award: 2016

Improvement Type: Resurface

Phase: CON

Work Description: 5' wide paved shoulders and resurfacing.

Federal Cost: \$323,000

Federal Funding Source: STUL

Local Cost: \$72,000

Local Funding Source: TWP

Total Cost: \$395,000

Date:

Resolution of Support for Local Match Submitted to SWMPC

Project Application Submitted to MDOT

Grade Inspection Package Submitted to MDOT

Grade Inspection Meeting Scheduled

Final Plan and Estimate to MDOT

Project Obligated Date:

Project Letting Date:

Expected Project Completion Date:

4/1/2016

9/2/2016

Percentage of Work Completed to Date:

Project is: on schedule behind schedule, explain:

Project start date July 11, 2016. Low bid:

Project Update – Pipestone at Wall Street

6/13/2016

Tim Drews

Project Name: Pipestone at Wall Street

MDOT Job Number: 121014

Project Limits: Pipestone at Wall Street

Project Length: -

Location: City of Benton Harbor

Responsible Agency: City of Benton Harbor

Year of TwinCATS Funding Award: 2016

Improvement Type: Miscellaneous

Phase: CON

Work Description: Traffic Signal improvements including new controller, video detection, and preparations for corridor-wide interconnection.

Federal Cost: \$100,000

Federal Funding Source: CM

Local Cost: \$0

Local Funding Source: -

Total Cost: \$100,000

	Date:
<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution of Support for Local Match Submitted to SWMPC	NA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project Application Submitted to MDOT	2/16/2016
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade Inspection Package Submitted to MDOT	2/16/2016
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade Inspection Meeting Scheduled	3/29/2016
<input type="checkbox"/> Final Plan and Estimate to MDOT	6/17/2016
<input type="checkbox"/> Project Obligated Date:	7/29/2016
<input type="checkbox"/> Project Letting Date:	9/2/2016
Expected Project Completion Date:	5/15/2017

Percentage of Work Completed to Date: %

Project is: on schedule behind schedule, explain:

During the design process we discovered that part of the public sidewalk area is current