

SOUTHEAST METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

January 3, 2013
Osage Centre - Cape Girardeau

Technical Planning Committee Members Present:

Mr. Rodney Bollinger, City of Jackson
Mr. Chauncy Buchheit, Southeast Missouri Regional Planning Commission
Mr. Drew Christian, Southeast Missouri Regional Planning Commission
Mr. Steve Duke, Bootheel Regional Planning Commission
Mr. Ron Eskew, City of Scott City
Mrs. Kelly Green, City of Cape Girardeau
Mr. Joe Killian, Missouri Department of Transportation
Mr. Jay Lancaster, Missouri Department of Transportation
Mr. Mike Latuszek, Federal Highway Administration (via conference call)
Mr. Bruce Loy, City of Cape Girardeau
Ms. Jackie Prater, Southeast Missouri Regional Port Authority
Mr. Ryan Shrimplin, City of Cape Girardeau
Ms. Betsy Tracy, Federal Highway Administration
Ms. Eva Voss, Missouri Department of Transportation (via conference call)

Call to Order: Mrs. Green called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Introductions

The group went around the room, with each person giving a brief introduction.

Update

Mr. Christian stated that Scott County has signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The Village of East Cape Girardeau and Alexander County have not yet signed. Mrs. Green explained that the City of Scott City had decided to opt out of being a part of the MPO, however, the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) Map shows the boundary extending into a small portion of the Scott City limits. Mr. Latuszek replied that even though a part of Scott City is within the MPA boundary, it is not required to be a member of the MPO. Scott City can determine what level of participation it will have. Any projects that are within the MPA, however, must be included in the MPO planning documents, including the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Mr. Eskew stated that for the time being, Scott City wishes to remain opted out but would like to have representation on the Technical Planning Committee (TPC). Mr. Latuszek mentioned that the City of Scott City will need to be a signatory on the MOU. Ms. Tracy suggested that Scott County participate on the Board while Scott City participates on the TPC. Ms. Voss stated that Scott City would not lose Surface Transportation Plan (STP) funds due to being partially located within the MPA boundary.

Mr. Latuszek stated that per federal law, the MPA boundary shall include the existing Census urbanized area and any contiguous areas that are expected to become urbanized in the next 20 years. He added that if Scott City is not proposed to be included in the MPO, there is a chance

the Governor could send the documents back for reconsideration. The Committee agreed to proceed with not including the City of Scott City in the MPO.

Metropolitan Planning Area Map

The Committee reviewed the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) Map. After discussion, the Committee decided to add the Illinois urbanized area to the map and shrink the MPA boundary to align with the Village of East Cape Girardeau limits. The Committee also agreed to extend the MPA boundary to the north right-of-way line of Route M, just south of the Cape Girardeau Regional Airport. The Committee also discussed expanding the boundary to include the intersection of Route K and Route 25 in Gordonville, but decided against doing so.

Bylaws

The Committee reviewed the Bylaws and compiled a list of proposed revisions for consideration by the Board at its next meeting on January 8, 2013.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Shrimplin