



TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

July 6, 2022

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2526 Jim Drury Way, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Technical Planning Committee (TPC) Voting Members Present:

Ms. Katrina Amos, Cape Girardeau Regional Airport (via Zoom)
Mr. Rodney Bollinger, City of Jackson
Mr. Drew Christian, Southeast Missouri Regional Planning Commission (SEMO RPC)
Mr. Scott Perry, Bootheel Regional Planning Commission (Bootheel RPC) (via Zoom)
Mr. Mark Phillips, Cape County Road Special District
Mr. Ryan Shrimplin, City of Cape Girardeau (via Zoom)
Ms. Kelley Watson, Cape Girardeau County Transit (CTA)

Technical Planning Committee (TPC) Non-Voting Members Present:

Mr. Mike Brandon, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) (via Zoom)
Mr. Chris Crocker, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)
Mr. Thomas Caldwell, Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) (via Zoom)
Mr. Joe Killian, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)
Mr. Andy Meyer, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)
Ms. Britni O'Connor, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) (via Zoom)

Others Present:

Mr. Jeff Long, Southeast Missourian (via Zoom)

Staff Present:

Mr. Alex McElroy, City of Cape Girardeau

Program Administration/Support Consultant Present:

Ms. Marla Mills, KLG Engineering

Call to Order

Chairman Bollinger called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

Introductions

Each person introduced themselves and their organization and Mr. McElroy identified those participating by zoom.

Adoption of Agenda

The agenda of the July 6, 2022, Technical Planning Committee Meeting was unanimously approved upon a motion made by Mr. Christian and seconded by Ms. Watson.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the May 4, 2022, Technical Planning Committee Meeting were unanimously approved upon motion by Mr. Christian seconded by Ms. Watson.

Mr. McElroy noted that there was not a quorum for the June 1, 2022, so no action was taken at the meeting, but notes are being provided to the group. Mr. Shrimplin provided amendments to the notes.

Communications from the Chairman

Chairman Bollinger stated that he will reserve his communications for Member Reports.

Public Comments

Chairman Bollinger asked if there were any comments from the public regarding items not on the agenda. There were none.

New/Unfinished Business

- **Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2023** – Mr. McElroy noted this was on last month's agenda but due to the lack of quorum no action was taken. Mr. Christian nominated Kelley Watson as Chair, seconded by Mr. Phillips. The Committee approved the appointment. Ms. Watson nominated Mr. Christian as Vice-Chair, seconded by Mr. Shrimplin. The Committee approved the appointment.
- **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-10, A Resolution Expressing Support of a Regional Bridge program application by the City of Jackson** – Upon a motion by Ms. Watson, seconded by Mr. Christian, the Committee voted to recommend approval of Resolution No. 2022-10, A Resolution Expressing Support of a Regional Bridge program application by the City of Jackson to the Board.
- **FY 2020-2023 TIP Amendment No. 12** – Mr. McElroy said he thought this would be the last one. There were 28 amendments and 15 new projects added to the TIP. Mr. Christian noted that changes show on the project sheets. Upon a motion by Ms. Watson, seconded by Mr. Phillips, TIP Amendment No. 12 was released for public comment and recommended for conditional approval by a unanimous vote of the Committee.
- **MoDOT Unfunded Needs List** – Mr. Brandon noted that the list is due in Central office by November 1. He said the dollar amounts are the same, about \$4.7 million for Tier 1, and \$18.7 million for Tier 2 and Tier 3. He went on to say there is \$9.3 million for multimodal. These numbers are approximate. He noted that they would need information on the projects by September. There is an opportunity to add projects to the list. Mr. McElroy noted that Mayor Kinder had added Rt. 74 between Minnesota Ave. and Sprigg St. to address pedestrian access. The city of Cape is looking at applying for a grant through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law for a planning study to see how best to address all the concerns. Jackson added Old Orchard extension, which is Phase I for a new outer roadway between I55 exits 102 and 105. It is on the Road and Bridge list. He noted that several pedestrian crossings

were added in the multimodal list. Mr. McElroy asked members to review the list and let him know if there are any additions or changes. This will likely be on the agenda again in August.

- **Electric Vehicle Readiness Plan** – Mr. McElroy reported he received an initial draft on May 15th and the steering committee had reviewed and issued comments which were incorporated and reflected in the recent draft that was sent out to the committee. There should be a more public facing draft later this month after the Board meeting. Consultants Olssen will do a presentation at the Board meeting on August 17 outlining the findings and reviewing the document. He noted that the document would be approved in September.

Member Reports

City of Cape Girardeau – Mr. Shrimplin reported on TTF5 projects noting that Sprigg St. was awarded to Lappe Cement in May. A majority of the curb, guttering, and sidewalk is complete from William to Themis St. He said there was a bid opening in May on the West End Blvd. project, and it was awarded to Fronabarger. The prefinal plans for Main St. are being reviewed. He said that they are still working on acquisition for the Independence St. project and hoping to let this project in the fall. Under TTF6, Mr. Shrimplin noted that the College Street contract was awarded to Nip Kelly in April. The rough grading is complete, and they are working on storm sewer. Mr. Shrimplin noted that the Maria Louise design is underway. He noted that the survey is complete for the Sprigg – Bertling project as well as the Lexington projects and they are working on in house designs. He said the city met with Bowen Engineering in May to review preliminary vertical and horizontal alignments on the Veteran Memorial Phase VI. He noted that the 2022 concrete street repair project went to council on June 6 and was awarded to Lappe Cement and the pre-construction meeting is today. Mr. Shrimplin said they anticipate letting the 2022 asphalt repair this month or next. He went on to report on grant projects, noting they are working with the VFW to coordinate sidewalk improvement on the Kingshighway crosswalk. MoDOT issued a notice to proceed on the Rt. 74 – Minnesota intersection and Koehler Engineering is working on design.

City of Jackson – Mr. Bollinger reported that Putz continues work on the Hubble Ford low water crossing replacement project and it should be completed this month. Putz Construction was also awarded the contract for the next bridge at West Mary St. Fronabarger Concreters are working on the annual concrete/pavement program with work through August. Fronabarger is also working on the East Main Street improvement project along with water system upgrades and replacements. That began in April and will continue for at least another month. Mr. Bollinger noted that the annual asphalt pavement improvement program was awarded to Paving Pros from Oak Ridge. The city passed a Resolution in support of the City's grant application to MoDOT for the Sunset Dr. bridge replacement project. Mr. Bollinger noted that the city is negotiating a proposal with Lochmueller regarding the Roundabout at 61. They have also engaged Koehler to do an alternatives analysis for the Sunset bridge replacement to see if it should be moved from mid-block to better align with other roadways.

Cape Special Road District – Mr. Phillips noted they are working on routine maintenance with special attention to culvert replacement in advance of next year's work.

Cape Transit – Ms. Watson noted they are working on closing out fiscal year. She said they are still short staffed, looking for an administrative assistant and drivers.

SEMO RPC – Mr. Christian reported they are working on the next TIP cycle which should go out for public comment in November and be approved in December.

Bootheel RPC – Mr. Perry reported they are in search of a director.

MoDOT – Mr. Meyer reported on RT AB at the airport and Industrial Park railroad crossing. They are coordinating the work with Burlington Northern and planning on a July 25 closure to start work. Burlington Northern can do their panel work at same time.

Mr. Meyer noted that over the last fiscal year they have experienced approximately 11% inflation across the board. This reduces the amount of work that can be done.

Mr. Crocker noted that they are paving today on the Rt 177 project. After the paving, they can start the next phase. He went on to say they held a Rt. 61 public meeting on June 28, and it went well. There were a few property owners who had some concerns about right of way, but they had to wait to discuss as the Right of Way plans are not complete. He said MoDOT held a Community Briefing on the Chester Bridge on June 23 in Perryville, and it went well. Preliminary work on the old bridge is starting today. Mr. Crocker noted that applications for the next two rounds of the cost share program are due July 22 and October 6. He said he anticipates the Governor's Cost Share Program to be announced soon. That program allows off system projects and they are looking for shovel ready projects as there is a short window for completing the projects. He went on to say that the TAP applications are due July 15 and BRO applications are due soon as well. He noted that the STIP includes \$10 Billion of state and fed revenues, which is almost double last year's amount.

Mr. Killian noted that the increase in dollars in the STIP is a result of SB 262 and the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure law. Mr. Killian noted that he has some comments on the Electric Vehicle draft plan and he would forward to Mr. McElroy. He said that as soon as the Commission approved the STIP today, they would start on the next cycle.

IDOT – Mr. Caldwell had nothing to report.

Staff Report

Mr. McElroy noted he is working on the Safe Streets for All grant application that is due September 15. He is working with Tim Picket from MoDOT to schedule a presentation of the Exit 93 alternatives at the July 20 Board meeting.

Other Business and Communications

There was no other business or communications.

Adjournment Motion

There being no further business, the meeting was unanimously adjourned by the Committee upon motion made by Ms. Watson and seconded by Mr. Christian at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marla Mills