

AGENDA

- A. Call to order
- B. Introductions:
 - 1. Voting members & proxies: *Quorum = 6 (must include at least 3 elected officials)*
 - 2. Press and other guests
- C. Action (voting) Items
 - 1. Approve the agenda
 - 2. Approve the minutes of May 23, 2019
 - 3. Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Revisions
 - Action: Approve the 2040 MTP administrative modifications regarding HSIT's 5339 funds (FTA's Bus and Bus Facilities Grant Program) and performance measures.
 - Action: Approve the FFY 2019 - 2022 TIP administrative modifications regarding HSIT 5339 funds and performance measures.
 - 4. Bylaws modifications
 - Action: Consider adding the CHS City Manager to the Policy Board voting list per Mayor's request.
 - 5. Elections
 - Action: Elect Policy Board Chairman and Vice-Chairman from different jurisdictions.
- D. MPO Report/Announcements
 - 1. CHS Planning Commission
 - 2. 061577 FLAP update
 - 3. Southwest Trail Update
 - 4. NHS 2018 Pavement Condition Data (PM 2)
 - 5. TIP/STIP Schedule
 - 6. 2019 Calendar
 - 7. CY 2020 Draft Safety Targets
 - 8. CAP-2 Potential Projects
 - 9. 2045 MTP Draft Projects Review
- E. ARDOT Report/Announcements
 - 1. Upcoming Projects
 - 2. Construction Projects
- F. Other Agencies Reports/Announcements
- G. Public Comments
- H. Adjourn

MINUTES

- A. Ray Owen called the meeting to order at about 10:10 am.
- B. Introductions:
1. The following voting members & proxies were present: *Quorum = 6 (must include at least 3 elected officials)*
 - I. Darryl Mahoney - Garland County - County Judge
 - II. Mark Headley - Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) - District 6 Engineer
 - III. Mike Lipton - Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce - Transportation Committee.
 - IV. Mike Medica - Hot Springs Village (HSV) - POA Board Member
 - V. Pat McCabe - City of Hot Springs (CHS) - Mayor
 - VI. Ray Owen - Garland County - Quorum Court
 - VII. Sunny Farmahan - ARDOT - MPO Coordinator
 2. There were no members of the press; The following guests were present:
 - I. Anthony Hunter - ARDOT - MPO Coordinator
 - II. Bill Burrough - CHS - City Manager
 - III. Cheryl Batts - Uzuri Project - President
 - IV. David Whitlow - HSV - Government Committee
 - V. Dwayne Pratt - West Central Arkansas Planning and Development District (WCAPDD) - Executive Director
 - VI. Emmily Tiampati - Tri-Lakes MPO - Study Director
 - VII. Josh Walker - ARDOT - District 6 Resident Engineer
 - VIII. Michael Watson - Half & Marlar - Business Development Manager
- C. Action (voting) Items
1. The Policy Board approved the agenda unanimously.
 2. Darryl Mahoney made the motion to approve the minutes of May 23, 2019. Mike Medica seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
 3. Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Revisions
Action: Mike Lipton made the motion to approve the 2040 MTP administrative modifications regarding HSIT's 5339 funds (FTA's Bus and Bus Facilities Grant Program) and performance measures (Resolution 2019-05). Darryl Mahoney seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
Action: Darryl Mahoney made the motion to approve the FFY 2019 - 2022 TIP administrative modifications regarding HSIT 5339 funds and performance measures (Resolution 2019-06). Mark Headley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
 4. Bylaws modifications
Action: Consider adding the CHS City Manager to the Policy Board voting list per Mayor's request. This agenda item was withdrawn after some discussion. Pat McCabe made the motion to withdraw this agenda item. Darryl Mahoney seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
 5. Elections
Emmily mentioned that the Bylaws stipulate that Policy Board elections of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman will be held at any meeting in odd-numbered years. The officers must be from different jurisdictions and they shall take office on January 1st of even-numbered years (e.g. 2020) and shall serve until December 31st of the next odd-numbered year (e.g. 2021).

Action: Darryl Mahoney made the motion to nominate Ray Owen as the Policy Board Chairman. Pat McCabe seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. There were no additional nominations. Darryl Mahoney made the motion to nominate Mike Lipton as the vice-chairman. Mark Headley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. There were no additional nominations.

D. MPO Report/Announcements

1. Emmily mentioned that she applied for and got appointed to the CHS Planning Commission. She added that the City is in the process of updating its comprehensive plan, and she is also serving in its advisory committee.
2. Emmily gave an update of the Hot Springs Area Wayfinding Signage Project (061577 FLAP). She mentioned that the consultants, MERJE, were here in January for the kick-off meeting. They returned in March with three schematic design options, and they combined the preferred elements from these options into the fourth option which was presented at the July 24th meetings at the Transit Depot. Bill Burrough added that the CHS has appointed a parking advisory committee, which is slated to present some options to the Board in October regarding a new parking management system.
3. Emmily mentioned that a new website for the Southwest Trail (061562) project had been unveiled where anyone can go to receive updates on the project <https://swtrail.transportationplanroom.com/documents-and-graphics>
4. Emmily mentioned that ARDOT provided the MPO with the NHS 2018 Pavement Condition Data, which show that most of the pavement in the MPA is in fair condition, with some sections rated to be in good condition such as the recently completed U.S. 70/East Grand Ave (CA0610) project. She added that this data is also important because it relates to Pavement and Bridge Condition Performance Targets (PM 2).
5. Emmily mentioned that the recently revised FFY 2020 - 2023 TIP/STIP Schedule has since been rescinded by ARDOT. They plan to provide a new schedule at a later date.
6. Emmily mentioned that the previous 2019 Calendar had been changed due to the revised TIP/STIP schedule; with the new TAC and Policy Board meeting dates slated for September 24 and October 10, 2019, respectively.
7. Emmily mentioned that ARDOT had adopted the CY 2020 Safety Targets, which it plans to submit to FHWA by August 31, 2019. She asked that anyone with comments regarding these targets should notify her because she plans to present these targets to the Policy Board for adoption in October. She added that the MPO has to set safety targets or support the State's targets by February 27th of every year.
8. Emmily presented the Connecting Arkansas Program (CAP)-2 Potential Projects, which include the MLK interchanges projects (061555).
9. Emmily presented the draft MTP project prioritization criteria for consideration. She also mentioned that there will be a working group meeting at 10:00 am on August 6, 2019 at the MPO offices to complete reviewing the list of projects for the 2045 MTP Draft.

E. ARDOT Report/Announcements

1. Upcoming Projects
2. Josh Walker and Mark Headley gave an update of ongoing or substantially complete construction projects.

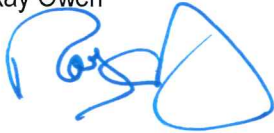
F. David Whitlow inquired whether we could determine who the elected officials are because of the quorum requirements. Notably, the HSV is a gated (private) community. Emmily mentioned that Federal and State policies do not dictate MPO Policy Board composition, except that Federal regulations require MPO Policy Boards to be at least comprised of local elected officials, state officials and representatives of public

transportation. However, Ray Owen asked Sunny Farmahan to find out the State's opinion regarding this inquiry. Sunny Farmahan said he will find out the definition of elected official.

- G. Cheryl Batts mentioned that work outside the John Lee Webb house has been completed. She thanked everyone for the support that they've provided in regard to this project. Emmily mentioned that she was successful at recruiting Cheryl Batts to represent the African America community in the metropolitan transportation planning process, as a good faith effort to comply with federal requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.
- H. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:18 am.

Approve:

Policy Board Chairman
Ray Owen



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Attest:

MPO Study Director
Emmily Tiampati



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