



**TECHNICAL COMMITTEE AGENDA
MARCH 15th, 2021 @ 10:00 A.M.**

Note: Due to restrictions and advisories associated with the Coronavirus pandemic, this meeting will be held via Zoom

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A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INTRODUCTION

C. ACTION ITEMS

1. OLD BUSINESS

a) Agenda Approval

b) [Minutes – February 16th, 2020](#)

c) [FY 2021 - 2024 Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\)](#)

d) [Metropolitan Transportation Plan \(MTP\) Amendment](#)

2. NEW BUSINESS

a) [Transit Performance Measures](#)

b) [FY 2022 Unified Planning Work Program](#)

D. MPO Reports/Announcements

E. ARDOT Reports/Announcements

F. Other Agencies Reports/Announcements

G. Public Comments

H. Adjourn

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The next regular meeting of the Tri-Lakes Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will be held on May 4th, 2021



Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting

Virtual Via Zoom @ 10:00 AM

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Derrick Harris, MPO Study Director, called the meeting to order at approximately 10:05 AM

B. INTRODUCTION (Quorum = 51% = 8 committee members; must include not less than four (4) from different jurisdictions/organizations)

The following voting members and proxies were present:

- a) Anthony Hunter – ARDOT – MPO Coordinator
 - b) Karl Lowry – Town of Fountain Lake – Alderman
 - c) Denny McPhate – City of Hot Springs – Public Works Director
 - d) Gary Carnahan – City of Hot Springs – Engineer*
 - e) Gary Troutman – Chamber of Commerce – President
 - f) Glen Barentine – City of Hot Springs – Airport Director
 - g) Kathy Sellman – City of Hot Springs – Planning Director
 - h) Keith Jones – Hot Springs Intracity Transit – Director
 - i) Ryan Richardson – Arkansas Midland Railroad – General Manager
- *Also served as Proxy for James Patton. However, enough board members were in-person to have a quorum

Additionally, the following guests or non-voting members were present:

- a) Dwayne Pratt – WCAPDD – Executive Director
- b) Travis Brooks – ARDOT
- c) Sunny Farmahan – ARDOT – Senior Transportation Planner
- d) Valera McDaniel – FHWA

C. ACTION ITEMS

I. OLD BUSINESS

a) Agenda Approval

Mr. Harris briefly discussed the agenda for today and highlighted how the intent was to get the FY 21-24 TIP approved in order to accommodate the Arkansas Department of Transportation's (ARDOT) deadline for approval. Kathy Sellman made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Denny McPhate. The motion passed unanimously.

b) Minutes – March 15th, 2021

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A quorum was present. Therefore, Keith Jones made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Glen Barentine seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

c) FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. Harris presented the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program. He mentioned that this item was presented at the previous meeting and was noticed for public comments. However, no public comments were received. Mr. Harris mentioned the only changes from this version, were a couple of statewide line items that were a requested change from ARDOT, and some reduction in transit funding, which Hot Springs Intracity Transit and the City of Hot Springs were okay with. Kathy Sellman made a motion to approve the TIP. The motion was seconded by Karl Lowry. The motion was approved unanimously.

d) Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Amendment

Mr. Harris presented the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Amendment. He mentioned that this was the first amendment for the most recently passed 2045 MTP. Mr. Harris mentioned that this item was presented at the previous meeting and was noticed for public comments. However, no public comments were received. Gary Carnahan made a motion to approve the MTP Amendment. The motion was seconded by Kathy Sellman. The motion was approved unanimously.

II. NEW BUSINESS

a) Transit Performance Measures (TAM)

Mr. Harris briefly mentioned performance measures and then Keith Jones with Hot Springs Intracity Transit presented on the most recent Transit Asset Management Performance Measures. Mr. Jones mentioned that the Performance Measures were being updated mostly due to a recent acquisition of new buses, which increased the fleets useful life. Therefore, the Performance Measures were being updated to accurately reflect the fleets useful life. Kathy Sellman made a motion to approve the Transit Performance Measures. The motion was seconded by Keith Jones. The motion was approved unanimously.

b) FY 2022 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Mr. Harris presented the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Unified Planning Work Program. He mentioned that the MPO's UPWP is essentially their budget. The UPWP covers all administrative costs or overall direct/indirect costs. Mr. Harris mentioned that no changes were being proposed from any previous budget. Gary Carnahan made a motion to approve the UPWP. The motion was seconded by Kathy Sellman. The motion was approved unanimously.

D. MPO REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Mr. Harris mentioned that the Office of Management & Budget (OMB) had issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in regard to a city’s designation as a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). He mentioned OMB was proposing on changing the minimum threshold to qualify as an MSA from 50k to 100k people. Mr. Harris mentioned that the last day to make comments is March 19, 2021.

E. ARDOT REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anthony Hunter with ARDOT presented schedule updates on projects from the TIP list.

F. OTHER AGENCIES REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

No reports were presented.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were provided.

H. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:37 p.m.