## Clarksville Urbanized Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)'s Joint Technical Coordinating Committee and Executive Board Meeting October 29, 2015 @ 11:00 am

## Regional Planning Commission - Downstairs Conference Room

## Members Present:

Mayor McMillan\* City of Clarksville Mayor

Nick Powell\* Rep. Montgomery County Mayor

Jonathan Russell\* Rep. Tennessee Dept. of Transportation (TDOT)

Denise Baker TDOT Brad Abel TDOT Marc Corrigan TDEC

Thomas Witt\* Rep. Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC)

Nick Hall KYTC Jason Orange KYTC

Steve Bourne\* Rep. Mayor of Hopkinsville

Lorraine Foust\* CTS

Charlie Gentry City of Clarksville

Scott Allen FHWA-TN

Dave Herndon CDS

Chris Cowan City Engineer

Craig Morris PADD

Debbie Smith City of Clarksville Grants

Angie Leonard Ft. Campbell
Tim Roach\* GNRC

Charlie Gentry City of Clarksville Bethany Daniel City Street Dept.

David Ripple RPC
Stan Williams MPO
Jill Hall MPO

\*Voting members

Mayor McMillan called the meeting to order. She began with the first item on the agenda: the review, discussion and adoption of the minutes from the September 17, 2015 meeting. Mr. Powell made the motion to adopt the minutes and Mr. Witt seconded the motion. The minutes were adopted unanimously.

Item #2 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2015-11approving an amendment to the FY2016-FY2017 UPWP to add additional FY 2016 FTA-5303 funds in the amount of \$127,371.09 federal; \$15,922.76 state; \$15,923.76 local for a total amount of \$159,217.61 for a Comprehensive Operational Analysis of the Clarksville Transit System. Mr. Williams reviewed the resolution. He said it was a very detailed study of current conditions and routes. He stated there were no public comments. Mr. Powell made the motion to adopt the resolution and Mr. Witt seconded the motion. Resolution 2015-11 passed unanimously.

Item #3 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2015-12 approving an amendment to the FY2014-FY2017 TIP to add a new TIP project #75 Red River East Trail –

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Phase 1 with \$778,529 federal TAP funding and \$194,633 local match equaling \$973,162 in total funding. Mr. Williams reviewed the amendment and stated there were no public comments received. Mayor McMillan said this is a connection of trails and will eventually connect on Pollard Road once all the phases are complete. Mr. Powell made the motion to adopt the resolution and Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Resolution 2015-12 passed unanimously.

Item #4 on the agenda was updates.

- a. The US EPA has revised the 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards. Mr. Corrigan stated the EPA announced a new 8-hour ozone standard of 70 ppb; from a previous standard of 75 ppb. It was published in the Federal Register on October 26, 2015 and will be effective on December 28, 2015. When EPA makes designations, as currently proposed for 2017, they will likely use 2014-2016 ozone data. Based on current preliminary ozone data, the MPO area appears to be attaining this new standard. Any lawsuits could delay implementation of the new ozone standard.
- b. Federal Transportation Funding Mr. Allen stated that the current bill will expire tonight. Bill 819 has been adopted through November 20, 2015 but is a short term bill. There is a lot of optimism on the hill that a longer bill will pass before Thanksgiving. The 6-year bill STRRA has \$262 billion and passed the House on October 22, 2015. The STRRA only pays for the first three years of the authorizations.
- c. NW Corridor Transit Study Mr. Williams said the consultants had another round of stakeholder and public meetings, and the study should be completed in December 2015.
- d. CTS Strategic Plan and Comprehensive Operational Analysis Mr. Williams said the Strategic Plan is similar to the MPOs Long Range Plan and is required by FTA every 5 years. It should be completed by December 2015. The Comprehensive Operational Analysis is a very detailed study. It will review each route and survey riders. The MPO has received three proposals and the review committee will meet next Friday and decide the rankings. The study should be under contract by 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week in November and completed by August 2016.
- e. Multimodal Port and La Fayette Rd Mr. Powell said the Port was in the environmental stage. RJ Corman has been working on the environmental and should submit it to TDOT next month for NEPA approval. They are pushing for construction to begin the first part of next year. Lafayette Road is in the environmental stage and should submit quickly for the NEPA approval.
- f. Intersection at SR13/Wilma Rudolph Blvd and Dunbar Cave Rd, Rossview Road, NE Connector Phase 1 Mr. Cowan said the intersection is now under construction and should be completed by the end of the year. It will improve congestion and move traffic. He said the ROW plans for Rossview Road had been submitted to TDOT for approval. He hopes to purchase ROW starting the first of next year. The acquisition of ROW will take between 18-24 months. The NE Connector is a segment of the East-West Study and connects Wilma Rudolph Blvd to Trenton Road and Tiny Town Road. Currently there is no state or federal funding. The city is moving forward with the preliminary engineering study.
- g. KYTC P&E Report FY2015 Mr. Williams stated the Performance and Expenditure Report shows the amount of KYTC planning funds per task that were spent in FY2015. It is located on the <a href="https://www.cuampo.com">www.cuampo.com</a> website.

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Item #5 on the agenda was new business. Mr. Williams said that KYTC at the Land Between the Lakes was constructing new bridges on US 68/80 at a cost of \$128 million and should be completed by October 2018.

There was no other new business. The meeting was adjourned.

Dated: October 29, 2015

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Mayor Jim Durrett, Vice Chairman MPO Executive Board