## Clarksville Urbanized Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)'s Joint Technical Coordinating Committee and Executive Board Meeting February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 10:00 am

## In-Person Meeting in the RPC lower conference room with the Virtual Meeting/You Tube Option

Members Present: (in-person)

Mayor Pitts\* City of Clarksville Mayor
Mayor Golden\* Montgomery County Mayor

Brian Ahart\* City of Oak Grove

Herman Wright\*
Rep. Tennessee Dept. of Transportation (TDOT)
Thomas Witt\*
Rep. Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC)

Mike Ringgenberg\* CTS
Daniel McDonell\* GNRC

Tom Britton\* Rep. Hopkinsville, KY

Jeff Bryant\* Montgomery County Hwy Dept (MCHD)

Marc Corrigan

Zach Madden

Stephen Baird

Nick Hall

Degee Roberts

TDEC

MPO Planner

Citizen

KYTC-D2

TDOT

Lauren Winters City of Clarksville

Angela Herndon PADD

Chris Cowan Clarksville Street Dept

Patricia Nesbitt CTS
Jessica Waddle KYTC-D2
Matt Hughes KYTC-D2
Lee Rogers TDOT-Region 3
Derek Pryor TDOT-Region 3

Jon Story TDOT
Jeff Tyndall RPC
Daniel Morris RPC
Mike Ziarnek MPO
Jill Hall MPO

\*Voting members

Mayor Pitts called the meeting to order. He began with Item #1 on the agenda: welcome and introductions. He introduced everyone to the pastries in the back of the room.

Item #2 on the agenda was the election of officers for the calendar year 2025. Mr. Ringgenberg made the motion for Mayor Golden to be the Chairman and for Mayor Pitts to be the Vice Chairman. Mr. Britton seconded the motion. The election was approved unanimously. Mayor Golden lead the meeting from this point forward.

Item #3 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of the minutes from the December 4, 2024 meeting. Mayor Pitts made the motion to adopt the minutes and Mr. Britton seconded the

motion. Mr. Witt said his last name was misspelled within the minutes. Mr. Ziarnek said they would be corrected. The minutes were adopted unanimously.

Item #4 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2025-01 for the FY2023-FY2026 TIP amendment for CTS budget revisions for TIP project #24 Support Facilities & Equipment by adding new 5310 funds; #28 Renovations and Rehab and New Construction by increasing the 5339 funding; and #74 Fare Collection Equipment by adding new 5339 funds. Mayor Golden asked if there were any discussion. Hearing none he asked for a motion. Mayor Pitts made the motion to adopt Resolution 2025-01 and Mr. Ringgenberg seconded the motion. Resolution 2025-01 was adopted unanimously.

Item #5 on the agenda was review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2025-02 for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) 5303 funding application for FY2026. Mayor Golden asked if there were any discussion. Hearing none he asked for a motion. Mayor Pitts made the motion to adopt Resolution 2025-02 and Mr. Ringgenberg seconded the motion. Resolution 2025-02 was adopted unanimously.

Item #6 on the agenda was review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2025-03 for CTS's Section 5307, 3510, and 5339 Funding Application for FY2024. Mayor Golden asked if there were any discussion. Hearing none he asked for a motion. Mayor Pitts made the motion to adopt Resolution 2025-03 and Mr. Ringgenberg seconded the motion. Resolution 2025-03 was adopted unanimously.

Item #7 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2025-04 for CTS's dollar funding amounts for FY2024, as listed: Section 5310 - \$213,040; Section 5339 - \$255,584; TN Section 5307 - \$2,739,314; and KY Section 5307 - \$297,992. Mayor Pitts asked why it was for FY2024 funding. Mr. Ziarnek said it was a requirement for the Clarksville Transit System. Mayor Golden asked if there were any more discussion. Hearing none he asked for a motion. Mayor Pitts made the motion to adopt Resolution 2025-04 and Mr. Ringgenberg seconded the motion. Resolution 2025-04 was adopted unanimously.

Item #8 on the agenda is the TIP update on its development and call for projects. Mr. Ziarnek stated the development of the draft FY2026-FY2029 TIP has begun and that the TCC and Executive Board will receive an email soon for the call for projects to the TIP. He said that with the delay from TDOT's announcement of the projects that have made it into the 3 year Plan the MPO is not sure of the amount of STBG-L funds that will be available. If certain projects move into the 3 year Plan then there will be very limited funds for new projects to be added. If certain projects don't make it into the 3 year Plan then there will be a large amount of STBG-L funds available for new projects. TDOT has told the MPO it will make an announcement on the selected projects in Spring/April.

Item #9 on the agenda is the KYTC Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) update. Mr. Ziarnek referred the Board to the last page in the packet for the proposed list of projects the MPO will submit into the SHIFT on-line system. He said the MPO had been working with Mayor Oliver, Mr. Ahart, and Mr. Hall with KYTC, District 2 on deciding which projects to move forward. The consensus was to keep the same projects that were submitted last time. The KY-911 widening project has been let to construction so it's no longer required to be added into SHIFT. The new project to be added is the widening of Hugh Hunter Road, from KY-115 to the state line.

Item #10 on the agenda was the updates on air quality by Mr. Corrigan. TDEC's Air Pollution Control Division submitted 2024 annual PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standard attainment

area recommendations to EPA on February 7th. We recommended, after EPA's consideration and approval of our exceptional events requests, all areas of TN as attainment. The next step is for EPA makes official designations by February 7th of 2026 if there are no delays. He reviewed the KYTC submittal for the 2024 annual PM2.5 and KYTC had the same recommendation. Without the exceptional events (Canada and western states fires) both the KY and TN 3 year average monitor met the new standard of 9 cubic meters.

TDEC's Office of Energy Programs anticipates releasing Level 2 electric vehicle charging infrastructure rebates which include multi-family housing charging infrastructure in the spring. In addition, a diesel vehicle replacement funding program is coming this spring as well and will fund all vehicle categories that TDEC included in its Beneficiary Mitigation Plan: Class 4-8 School Buses, Class 4-8 Transit and Shuttle Buses, Class 4-7 Local Freight Trucks, and Class 8 Local Freight and Port Drayage Trucks. New diesel vehicles are expected to not be eligible for grant funding; only new alternatively fueled vehicles will be eligible.

In addition to VW funding, TDEC and TVA have issued a Notice of Intent to release a second round of funding under the Fast Charge TN Network Grant Program in the spring. Fast Charge TN aims to install direct current fast charging (DCFC) infrastructure for electric vehicles (EVs) along prioritized interstate or major highway corridors across the state.

Item #11 on the agenda was the updates by FHWA-TN. There were no FHWA representatives at the meeting. Mayor Golden moved on to the next item.

Item #12 on the agenda was the updates by FHWA-KY. There were no FHWA representatives at the meeting. Mayor Golden moved on to the next item.

Item #13 on the agenda was the updates by TDOT and KYTC by their representatives. Mr. Story said that Statewide Partnership Program (SPP) may have additional funds added to it per the Governor. He stated the SPP awarded projects for the ten-year and three-year program will be announced in Spring 2025. Mr. Pryor announced that he would be retiring on March 14, 2025. He introduced Lee Rogers as his interim replacement until the position is filled. He said he enjoyed working with Clarksville and Montgomery County. Both Mayors thanked him for his work and wished him the best in his future plans.

Mr. Pryor reviewed the following Region 3 projects within the MPO area:

- 1) Repaving on I-24 in Montgomery County completed
- 2) Ft Campbell Blvd striping waiting on warmer weather
- 3) The hole in the Gary Mathews auto parking lot at SR-48 and SR-12 is about complete. They have begun filling it back in with concrete, when there are dry conditions.
- 4) Sango intersection at MLK Pkwy and SR-76/Madison St working on the last portion and should be close to making the May deadline. If not, it will only be a couple of months out.
- 5) The SR-48/Trenton Road project is on schedules; NEPA is completed and right of way should start soon/by spring.

Mr. Witt with KYTC said that KYTC has started the SHIFT process to prioritize projects for the development of their six-year Highway Plan.

Item #14 was new business from members of the public and /or MPO members. There was no new business from the public. Mr. Ziarnek said the MPO is updating the Unified Planning Work Program (FY26-FY27 UPWP). The deadline for submission to TDOT is Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. The updated UPWP will incorporate the Transportation Planning Prospectus and the MPO's Bylaws. The Planning Prospectus is no longer a federal requirement.

On January 30th the MPO received through email that Melanie Murphy, FHWA-TN) acknowledged and thanked Mr. Morrison, TDOT, and the Tennessee MPOs for completing and submitting their Annual Listing of Obligated Projects. He had no further updates.

Item #15 Mayor Golden adjourned the meeting.

Dated: February 13, 2025

Mayor Wes Golden, Chairman

MPO Executive Board