Clarksville Urbanized Area
Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)'s
Joint Technical Coordinating Committee and Executive Board Meeting
July 16, 2026 @ 11:00 am

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

Members Present: (in-person)

Mayor Golden*	Montgomery County Mayor
Mayor Pitts*	City of Clarksville Mayor
Heather Bing*	Rep. Tennessee Dept. of Transportation (TDOT)
Thomas Witt*	Rep. Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC)
Mike Ringgenberg*	CTS
Tom Britton*	Rep. City of Hopkinsville
Bill Chaudoin*	Rep. Christian County
Matthew Cushing*	GNRC
Nick Powell	Montgomery Co Engineer
Mark Riggins	CGW
Patricia Nesbitt	CTS
Nick Hall	KYTC-D2
Jessica Waddle	KYTC-D2
Ann Marie Anway	TDOT
Matt Meservy	TDOT
Lee Rogers	TDOT
Jon Storey	TDOT
Karen Reynolds	Health Council
Vincent Black	Mid Cumberland
Brandon Chase	TDH
Drew Gaskins	Gresham Smith
Buck Dellinger	EDC
Janet Wilson	EDC
Lauren Winters	City of Clarksville
Kristin Floyd	City of Clarksville
Joseph Van Deusen	Clarksville Strong Towns
Narayan Rabindranath	NYDRIVE
Zach Madden	MPO
Mike Ziarnek	MPO
Jill Hall	MPO

*Voting members

Mayor Pitts called the meeting to order. He began with Item #1 on the agenda to welcome and make any introductions. The Executive Board introduced themselves.

Item #2 on the agenda the review, discussion and adoption of the minutes from the March 19, 2026 meeting. Mayor Golden made the motion to adopt the minutes and Mr. Britton seconded the motion. The minutes were adopted unanimously.

Item #3 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2026-05, for CTS's Public Transit Agency Safety Plan (PTASP). Mr. Ziarnek stated the PTASP intends to improve public transportation safety by guiding transit agencies to more effectively and proactively manage safety risks in their systems. The MPO agrees to plan and program projects that contribute towards accomplishment of the CTS Safety Plan goals. Mayor Pitts asked if there were any further discussion. Hearing none he asked for a motion. Mayor Golden made the motion to adopt Resolution 2026-05 and Mr. Ringgenberg seconded the motion. Resolution 2026-05 was adopted unanimously.

Item #4 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2026-06 to amend new TIP project #77- City of Clarksville Safety Action Plan Implementation Measures (SS4A-$11,071,937 funding award) into the FY2026-FY2029 TIP. Mr. Ziarnek said this project is to improve safety, along the New Providence Blvd, from Ft Campbell Blvd (northern-most extent) to the intersection of North 2nd St/ Kraft St/ North Riverside Drive. Mayor Pitts asked if there were any discussion. Hearing none he asked for a motion. Mayor Golden made the motion to adopt Resolution 2026-06 and Mr. Ringgenberg seconded the motion. Resolution 2026-06 was adopted unanimously.

Item #5 on the agenda was the review, discussion and adoption of Resolution 2026-07 to amend the FY2026-FY2027 UPWP for an I-24 Widening Design Alternatives Study. Mr. Ziarnek asked the Executive Board to amend the Resolution 2006-07 to remove the word "Widening" in the Study's name after discussions with TDOT. Mayor Pitts asked for a motion to amend the Resolution. Mayor Golden made the motion and Mr. Ringgenberg seconded the motion to amend the resolution.
Mr. Ziarnek stated that TDOT plans to widen I-24 from near the KY/TN state line to Exit 11 under PIN#124656.00. Due to the recent growth and future growth expected, efforts for further review and study of I-24 design alternatives for I-24 from Exit 4 to Exit 8 are supported and encouraged by the local government agencies and the MPO. The study will take into consideration safety, capacity, mobility, and freight movements.

Mr. Ziarnek said the amendment makes the following changes in the UPWP:

- Work Task VI. Special Studies (page 35), under Subtasks: Corridor Study/ Technical Reports - bullet to include a corridor study "1-24 Widening Design Alternative Study, from Exit 4/Wilma Rudolph Blvd to Exit 8/Rossview Road".
- Work Task IV. Long Range Planning under the FY2026-FY2027 Funding Source Table on page 31 will decrease from $437,500,000 total funds ($350,000 fed; $21,875 state; $65,625 local) by $37,500 total funds ($30,000 fed; $1,875 state; $5,625 local). These funds will be transferred to Work Task VI Special Studies.
- Work Task VI under the FY2026-FY2027 Funding Sources Table on page 36 will increase from $62,500 total funds ($50,000 fed; $3,125 state; $9,375 local) by $37,500 total funds ($30,000 fed; $1,875 state; $5,625 local).

Mayor Pitts asked Ms. Hall to speak on the funding and local match. She said the funds were PL planning funds and the MPO had the funds for the local match. The MPO was moving $37,500 total funds from work task IV to work task VI – Special Studies in order to cover the cost of the Study. The total amount in work task VI after the transfer from work task IV is $100,000 total funds.

Mayor Pitts asked if there were any further discussion. Hearing none he asked for a motion. Mayor Golden made the motion to adopt the amended Resolution 2026-07 and Mr. Ringgenberg seconded the motion. Amended Resolution 2026-07 was adopted unanimously.

Item #6 on the agenda was a Title VI update from Mr. Ziarnek. He stated US DOT amended its regulations implementing Title VI to eliminate disparate-impact liability under Executive Order 14281.

Item #7 on the agenda was the update on the KYTC Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT). Mr. Witt said the SHIFT process was complete and the 6 Year Highway Plan approved.

Item #8 on the agenda was the updates on air quality by Mr. Corrigan, TDEC. Mr. Ziarnek said that Mr. Corrigan was unable to attend but wanted to announce TDEC has released its second solicitation for medium-duty vehicle projects under the Volkswagen Diesel Settlement Environmental Mitigation Trust. Applications must be received by 4pm CDT on Friday, August 21, 2026. Information available on the TDEC website. He said the ozone monitor in Christian County, KY has been relocated. The new location within Christian Co will require three years of data (2026-2028) for a complete design value. The design value before (2023-2025) was 65 ppb against the standard of 70ppb.

Item #9 on the agenda was the updates by FHWA-TN. There were no FHWA representatives at the meeting. Mayor Pitts moved on to the next item.

Item #10 on the agenda was the updates by FHWA-KY. There were no FHWA representatives at the meeting. Mayor Pitts moved on to the next item.

Item #11 on the agenda was the TDOT updates by their representatives. Ms. Bing said the Statewide Partnership Program (SPP) application is open and will close on August 31,2026. All SPP submissions through this process will be evaluated for inclusion in TDOT's updated 10-Year Project Plan. She stated this year the application process will include the Multimodal Access Grant (MMAG) Program or Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). On the application you can choose either the SPP or the MMAG/TAP option. The link on TDOT website for more information is: https://www.tn.gov/tdot/long-range-planning-home/longrange-oct/statewide-partnership-program.html.

Jon Storey, TDOT, gave an update on TDOT projects. He stated Trenton Road project was making good progress. In ROW there are 215 tracts. Of them, 180 have been appraised, 115 have offers, 50 have accepted the offers. The construction is on schedule for 2029.

He said on the Zinc Plant Road project, TDOT was having a team meeting this afternoon. And they will be looking at the bridge and getting the project kicked off with all the different disciplines together. There were no questions for Mr. Storey so he turned the podium over to Lee Rogers with TDOT.

Mr. Rogers said he was the District 38 manager for TDOT and covered all things construction and maintenance and Montgomery County was one of his nine counties. He said the I-24 widening has two parts and are scheduled for construction in 2034, Trenton Road for 2029, and SR-48 widening in 2029. He's had two resurfacing jobs and Eubanks completed them in 3 days. Next year he has three to four other routes identified for resurfacing. Once these are final, he will present them to the Board. The resurfacing list is fluid depending on how much money they have. On the maintenance TDOT will be replacing a lot of pipes on the infrastructure and a lot of canopy clearing. There were no questions for Mr. Rogers.

Item #12, on the agenda was the KYTC updates by their representatives. Mr. Witt said Rebecca Goodman was appointed Transportation Secretary in April 2026 by Gov. Andy Beshear.

Item #13, on the agenda was the Tennessee Department of Health was Mr. Black from the Tennessee Department of Health. He is the Healthy Development Coordinator for Mid Cumberland Regional area and works on the connect between the built environment and health. His agency did about 5 walk audits for the Montgomery County Health Council. The Moore Magnet school area walk audit was the one selected. During the walk audit 12 people used the AARP tool Kit navigated the school area both walking and in wheelchairs during school time periods. This information was scored. This was valuable information needed to apply for the AARP funding grant application. He then gave the podium to Ms. Reynolds, Chairman for the Health Council. She said out of 5,100 applicants the Montgomery County Health Council won the highest award amount of $25,000.00 through the 2026 AARP Community Challenge Demonstration Grant. The grant will transform a key pedestrian corridor serving Moore Magnet Elementary School, Veterans Plaza, the Ajax Turner Senior Center, the Montgomery County Public Library, and nearby neighborhoods through: high-visibility crosswalks, traffic calming, ADA improvements, trees, native gardens, public art, utility box wraps and community cleanups. This project demonstrates how low-cost, community-led improvements can make neighborhoods safer, healthier, and more welcoming for residents of all ages especially older adults.

Item #14, on the agenda was the Clarksville-Montgomery County Economic Development Council (EDC) to discuss I-24 improvement needs per accelerated growth within the area and future development. Mr. Dellinger, from the EDC thanked the Board for adopting the I-24 Design Alternatives Study. In Item #5. He stated he had met with TDOT Region 3 in November concerning the imminent growth within the Industrial Park, the new hospitals, and continual development in the along I-24. Region 3 had recommended he do a federal highway standard study to create the problem statement to feed the technical study for alternative design plans. He said the EDC had contracted with Gresham Smith to do a study on the growth and model the growth around Exit 1, 4, 8 11 specifically. He stated that Mr.

Gaskins with Gresham Smith had almost completed that study. Mr. Dellinger then turned the podium over to Mr. Gaskins. Mr. Gaskin said what he was trying to do was to look at the data and see what the modeled growth looks like along the I-24 corridor and see what safety impacts are particularly on Wilma Rudolph Blvd and Rossview Rd. Ultimately the findings from his study would feed into the study the Board approved in Resolution 2026-07. He said once his study was completed, he would share the finding to TDOT Region 3 and answer any questions they have and refine as needed. After that, the information from his study would be made available for the I-24 Design Alternative Study.

Item #15, on the agenda was other MPO business. Mr. Ziarnek introduced Mr. Joseph Van Deusen, head of the nonprofit Clarksville Strong Town. Mr. Van Deusen thanked everyone helping with the AARP grant including the Montgomery County Health Council, the Tennessee Department of Health, many partners and volunteers. The Strong Town's Mission is municipal finances which is walkability, land use reform, bike ability, alternative forms of transportation are far more fiscally sustainable for our community as well as public health. Strong Towns focuses on walkability, bike ability, affordable housing and transportation to include buses, trains, etc. He stated he appreciated all the work that everyone in the room was doing and wanted to be a trusted independent partner.

Item #16, on the agenda was public comment. There were no public comments received.

Item #17 Mayor Golden made the motion to dismissed the meeting and Mr. Chaudoin seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Dated: July 16, 2026

Signed: September 17, 2026

Mayor Joe Pitts, Chairman
MPO Executive Board