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EXECUTIVE BOARD

TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 11:00 O'CLOCK AM, 2nd FLOOR COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 190 CHURCH STREET NE, CLEVELAND, TN

MINUTES

1. Call to order by Mayor Tom Rowland and roll call of members

Governor of Tennessee (or representative)
Director of South East Tennessee Human Resources Agency
County Mayor of Bradley County
Mayor of Cleveland
Vice-Mayor of Cleveland (proxy: Melinda Carroll)

2. Approval of the February 2, 2010 meeting minutes (pg. 2-4)

Mayor Rowland introduced the minutes and asked if there were any questions or comments. He asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Melinda Carroll made the motion "To adopt the minutes as presented."

Mayor Gary Davis 2nd the motion.

Mayor Rowland called for a vote. He said, "All those in favor of adopting the minutes as presented, signify by saying "I".

All members of the Executive Board responded by saying "I".

Mayor Rowland said, "Any opposed signify by saying "I".
No response was made.

The minutes were adopted by a unanimous vote of the Executive Board.

3. New Business

a. Review 2009 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects (pg. 5)

Mayor Tom Rowland introduced the item.

Greg Thomas said that this is a list of projects located in the MPO area that were obligated in 2009. Over 24 million dollars were obligated for projects. Some of the projects included: City-wide ITS project, Two ARRA resurfacing projects, and the Golf Drive (US-64, Cleveland Bypass) project. This list has been published on the MPO website, and at the Library, the Chamber.

Greg Thomas said that every year the MPO must have an annual public meeting and at each annual public meeting, the MPO must publish the list of obligated projects from the previous year. He said that no action had to be taken by the Executive Board.

b. Cleveland MPO TIP Amendments #2010-01 & #2010-02 (pg. 6-17)

Mayor Tom Rowland introduced the item.

Greg Thomas said these amendments come with a recommendation from the TCC. TIP Amendment #2010-01 programs Urban STP funds in 2010 for the Final Design Engineering of the ITS project that is along APD-40 from Blackburn Road to I-75. TDOT has indicated that this project is on schedule to be let prior to September 1, 2010. TIP Amendment #2010-02 re-programs Urban STP funds from the construction phase of the Mouse Creek Road project. These funds must be re-programmed to enable the ITS project to move forward. Both of these amendments were sent to members of the TCC and Executive Board in early February, and were then released for public review and comment for the 21-day public review period and no comments were received.

Mary Lynn made the motion "To adopt the two TIP amendments as presented."

Mayor Gary Davis 2nd the motion.

Mayor Rowland called for a vote. He said, "All those in favor of adopting the two amendments as presented, signify by saying "I".

All members of the Executive Board responded by saying "I".

Mayor Rowland said, "Any opposed signify by saying "I".
No response was made.

The two amendments were adopted by unanimous vote.

c. TDOT TIP Amendments #2010-03 – #2010-06 (pg.18-36)

Mayor Tom Rowland introduced the four (4) TIP amendments.

Greg Thomas said that these four amendments start on page 18 of your packet. The four TIP amendments #03-#06 have been requested by TDOT. TDOT is creating a "Jobs for Main Street Act" line item to each project. Each amendment adds \$10,000 of federal funds to the construction phase of each of the projects.

With the approval of the Executive Board the amendments will be released for the 21-day public comment period.

Deborah Fleming made the motion "To release the amendments for public review and comment."

Melinda Carroll 2nd the motion.

Mayor Tom Rowland called for a vote. He said, "All those in favor of releasing these amendments for public review, signify by saying "I".

All members of the Executive Board responded by saying "I".

Mayor Tom Rowland said, "Any opposed signify by saying "I".
No response was made.

d. Review draft amendment to MPO Public Participation Plan (pg. 37-38)

Mayor Tom Rowland introduced the amendment to the PPP.

Greg Thomas said that this amendment has been prepared to reduce the number of days a notice shall be posted for a special meeting that has been called by the MPO, from three days (3) to two days (2), to be consistent with the City of Cleveland's Public Participation Process.

Melinda Carroll made the motion "To approve the amendment as presented and release it for public review."

Mayor Gary Davis 2nd the motion.

Mayor Rowland called for a vote. He said, "All those in favor of releasing this amendment for public review, signify by saying "I".

All members of the Executive Board responded by saying "I".

Mayor Rowland said, "Any opposed signify by saying "I".
No response was made.

e. Review Draft 2011 UPWP (pg. 39-60)

Mayor Tom Rowland introduced the agenda item.

Greg Thomas said this draft UPWP for FY2011 has been prepared by MPO staff. The UPWP identifies transportation-planning activities that are anticipated within the MPO area in FY2011. The UPWP describes each work task to be completed and distributes the FY2011 allocation of Federal PL funds to the work tasks as appropriate. This agenda item is for your information and review. No action needs to be taken.

4. Old Business

a. Adoption of the draft amendment to the FY2010 UPWP (pg. 62-84)

Mayor Tom Rowland had to leave the meeting early to go to another appointment. Mayor Gary Davis introduced the agenda item.

Greg Thomas said that the MPO needed to amend their FY2010 UPWP in response to the FY2010 rescission of planning funds. The TCC and Executive Board reviewed this amendment and released it for public review and comment on February 2. No public comments have been received on this amendment. This amendment comes to the Executive Board with a recommendation from the TCC.

Mayor Gary Davis made the motion "To adopt the amendment to the FY2010 UPWP as presented."

Deborah Fleming 2nd the motion.

Mayor Davis called for a vote. He said, "All those in favor of releasing this amendment for public review, signify by saying "I".

All members of the Executive Board responded by saying "I".

Mayor Davis said, "Any opposed signify by saying "I".
No response was made.

The motion passed by a unanimous vote by the Executive Board.

5. Update on 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan process

Greg Thomas said that there is no update at this time.

6. Update on FY2011-FY2014 Transportation Improvement Program development

Lindsay Smart said that MPO staff has created the project timeline for the development of the new TIP. The projects reviewed earlier in this meeting are being considered for inclusion in the new TIP. TDOT has set a submission deadline of May 31 for the draft TIP.

7. Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 6th, 2010

8. Public Comments

There were no public comments. Lindsay Smart introduced Aaron Addington and Larry McGoogin, both of TDOT Local Program Development. They are both here today to meet the members of the MPO Board. MPO staff is working closely with them for the contract for the TPR for mouse creek road and for approval of the current TIP.

Lindsay Smart said that Jessica Wilson is also here from TDOT. Ms. Wilson is part of the project team for the new APD-40 interchange project. Her involvement includes reviewing the MPO's Bike Ped Plan and ensuring consistency with the interchange project and the bike ped plan. After the Executive Board meeting, Mr. Addington, Mr. McGoogin and Ms. Wilson will be given a tour of major projects located in the MPO area.

9. MPO Coordinator Comments

Greg Thomas said that there is a letter of support from the MPO to Steve Allen to proceed with the exit 20 project, minus the slip ramp. FHWA supported all conceptual drawings for the project but listed numerous reasons for not doing a slip ramp. With the approval of the Executive Board, he will send it to Steve Allen.

Mayor Davis called for a vote. He said, "All those in favor of supporting the Exit 20 interchange project without the slip ramp and sending the letter to Steve Allen, signify by saying "I".

All members of the Executive Board responded by saying "I".

Mayor Davis said, "Any opposed signify by saying "I".
No response was made.

The motion passed by a unanimous vote by the Executive Board.

10. Comments by Federal and State agencies

Deborah Fleming said a couple of meetings ago, we decided on a schedule of monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of every month. This schedule will not work out for TDOT because the Kingsport has already set four meetings, one for each quarter, on the first Tuesday of the month. The Chattanooga TPO also holds their meetings on the first Tuesday of every month. Would it be possible to move the Cleveland MPO Board meetings?

The Executive Board agreed to check their calendars for potential other days that were convenient to schedule the meeting.

11. Adjourned at 11:40am