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**TPO Technical Committee
December 11, 2007
9:00 a.m.
Small Assembly Room
City/County Building
Knoxville, Tennessee**

AGENDA

Determination of Quorum

9:00-9:05

1. Approval of September 11, 2007, Minutes

■ Action □ Possible Action □ Discussion □ Information

Presenter: Darryl Smith, Chair

Item Summary: Approval of September 11, 2007, TPO Technical Committee minutes.

Background: Attachment #1 – September 11, 2007, Minutes.

9:05-9:15

2. Status of FY 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Recommend Approval of Amendments to the FY 2008-2011 TIP, and Notice of Administrative Adjustments to the FY 2008-2011 TIP

■ Action □ Possible Action □ Discussion ■ Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

a. Item Summary: Add Pilot Locomotive Diesel Retrofit Project (2008-106).

Background: This TDOT-CMAQ diesel retrofit project will allow 12 Norfolk Southern locomotives to be fitted with automatic stop-start idle reduction systems. Norfolk Southern will fund the required 20-percent match.

Attachment #2a.

b. Item Summary: Add Pilot Road Construction Diesel Retrofit Project (2008-107).

Background: This TDOT-CMAQ diesel retrofit project will allow five pieces of heavy-duty construction equipment used in road construction projects to be repowered with a cleaner Tier 1 engine. Charles Blalock and Sons will provide the required 20-percent match. **Attachment #2b.**

c. Item Summary: Add Safe Routes to School Project Bucket (2008-108)

Background: The Safe Routes to School Bucket will provide funding for projects that focus on increasing the levels of walking and bicycling to school. Projects that were awarded grants this year include Sam Houston Elementary and Beaumont Elementary Schools. **Attachment #2c.**

d. Item Summary: Administrative Adjustment to Adjust Enhancement Program Projects (2008-067). This item does not require action.

Background: Funds (\$52,947 Enhancement/\$13,237 local) are transferred from the Pinkston Greenway to the French Broad River Greenway. **Attachment #2d.**

e. Item Summary: Administrative Adjustment to Adjust Purchase Vehicles for CAC (2008-085). This item does not require action.

Background: This adjustment corrects the 2008 local and state amounts from \$112,500 to \$22,500. **Attachment #2e.**

9:15-9:20

3. Approval of Bicycle Advisory Committee Appointee

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: **Attachment #3.**

Background: The Technical Committee established the BAC in 2001 and is responsible for approving new members.

9:20-9:25

4. Bike/Ped Counts

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: **Attachment #4.**

Background: Bicycle and pedestrian counts are conducted twice a year at several locations in Knoxville and Blount County.

9:25-9:50

5. Urban Land Use Allocation Model Update

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: Mike Brown, Transportation Planning Services, Inc.

Item Summary: **Attachment #5 – ULAM Population and Employment Control Totals.**

Background: The consultant will be providing an overview of the land use model that is being developed for the TPO. In addition, information on data that will be used for county-level population and employment control totals in our study area will be presented for information and comment.

9:50-9:55 **6. JARC/New Freedoms Update**

Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TPO Staff

Item Summary: Staff will provide an update of activities to date including requesting additional technical committee members to participate in the project selection process.

Background: The TPO is the Knoxville-area designated recipient for the JARC and New Freedom program funds and is required to award the program funds through a competitive selection process. Staff has been working with the Human Service Transportation Coordination Plan (HSTCP) Committee to prepare the application and process. Because some HSTCP Committee members may apply for funding it is recommended that additional technical committee members be added to the project selection process.

9:55-10:00 **7. East Tennessee Quality Growth Update**

 Action Possible Action Discussion Information

Presenter: TDOT Staff

Item Summary: The TPO has continued to work with the team that planned the Plain Talk on Quality Growth conference. A Steering Committee has begun meeting to lay the groundwork for a permanent organization to promote quality growth throughout the region.

10:00-10:05 **8. Other Business**

- **Technical Committee Meeting, January 8 at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building.**
- **Legislative Luncheon, Friday, January 18, 2008, at noon at the Knoxville Convention Center.**
- **Executive Board Meeting, February 27 at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building**
- **Certification Review of the TPO planning process by FHWA, FTA and SPA staff is scheduled for February 26 – 27, 2008, in Room 453 of the City/County Building.**

10:05-10:10 **9. Public Comment**

Members of the public may address the Technical Committee with a five-minute time limitation.

10:10 **10. Adjournment**