

Agenda

9:00 A.M. | Small Assembly Room City County Building, Knoxville, TN

#### 1 Call to Order

- a. Determination of a Quorum
- b. Introductions
- c. Amendments to the Agenda
- d. List of Commonly Used Acronyms attached as last page

# 2 Motion to Approve August 10, 2021 TPO Technical Committee Minutes

Presenter: Brian Boone, Chair

Item Summary: Approval of the August 10, 2021 TPO Technical Committee Minutes.

Attachment #1: Draft August 10, 2021 TPO Technical Committee Minutes

# Motion to Recommend Approval of a Resolution to the Executive Board Adopting Amendments to the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program, Air Quality Conformity Report and Certifying that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process is Being Followed

Presenter: Craig Luebke & Mike Conger, TPO Staff

Item Summary: TDOT requested amendments for three (3) air quality non-exempt projects.

Attachment #2A: Draft TIP Amendment Resolution

Attachment #2B: Draft Air Quality Conformity Report

Attachment #2C: Draft Metropolitan Planning Process Self-Certification

Attachment #2D: Draft Amendment 20-2014-069 – Alcoa Highway (SR-115/US-129) from Woodson Dr. to Cherokee Trail interchange - Amend project to move construction phase from FY 2022 to FY 2022 and increase construction cost estimate. Construction costs in FY 2022 total \$102,000,000 (\$81,600,000 federal NHPP/\$20,400,000 state). This amendment adds \$29,200,000 (\$23,360,000 federal NHPP/\$5,840,000 state) to the project and TIP. The total project cost is increased to \$117,704,000.

Attachment #2E: Draft Amendment 20-2014-035 – Alcoa Highway (SR-115/US-129) from proposed interchange at Tyson Blvd. to Pellissippi Pkwy (SR-162) - Amend the TIP to remove this project. All the construction funding for both 101651.02 & 101651.03 will be divided between the new stage construction project PINs: 101651.04 & 101651.05. This amendment removes \$84,800,000 (\$67,840,000 federal/\$16,960,000 state) from the TIP.

Attachment #2F: Draft Amendment 20-2020-012 – SR-115 (US-129) (Relocated Alcoa Highway) from proposed interchange at Tyson Blvd. to existing SR-115 at South Singleton Station Rd. - Amend TIP to add this non-exempt project. The project description is Stage construction

including grade, drain, base, pave, signal, lighting, ITS, greenway, retaining wall, natural stream design, and bridge, from S. of proposed Wright Rd. interchange to N. of proposed SR-162 (Pellissippi Pkwy.) interchange, providing local connectivity for existing routes and destinations. CN phase costs in FY 2022 total \$80,000,000 (\$64,000,000 federal NHPP/\$16,000,000 state). This amendment adds \$80,000,000 (\$64,000,000 federal NHPP/\$16,000,000 state) to the TIP. The total project cost is \$80,000,000.

# 4 Motion to Recommend Approval of a Resolution Approving Section 5310 Special Allocation Funds to the Executive Board

Presenter: Doug Burton, TPO Staff

**Item Summary:** The TPO has been awarded — Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding under our Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Program. The 5310 Program aims to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding transportation mobility options. This funding is only available for operations and limited to agencies who have had a previous operating contract with the TPO. Qualified agencies were asked to submit an application for funds. Staff recommends funding all three applications.

Attachment #3A: Staff Memorandum

Attachment #3B: Knoxville Knox County CAC VAT Application

Attachment #3C: Blount County CAA Smiles Application

Attachment #3D: ETHRA Application

## 5 Overview of Update to the Public Participation Plan

Presenter: Ally Ketron, Planning Staff

**Item Summary**: Staff will provide an overview of proposed changes and updates to the TPO's Public Participation Plan. The draft updated plan is out for public comment.

Link: https://knoxtpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/2021-TPO-Outreach-Plan-Draft-and-Appendices.pdf

#### 6 Presentation on 2020 Census Data for the TPO Area

Presenter: Aubrey Weiland, Knoxville-Knox County Planning Staff

**Item Summary:** The U.S. Census Bureau released 2020 census information earlier this month. Planning staff will present some of the data related to our counties and municipalities in our planning area.

## 7 Need for Local Governments to Prepare an Annual ADA Transition Plan Update

Presenters: Craig Luebke, TPO Staff

**Item Summary:** Staff will provide an update on upcoming requirements for maintaining local Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan information and a Transition Plan progress report.

# 8 TIP Quarterly Report - Administrative Modifications Summary and TPO Federal Funds Update

Presenter: Craig Luebke, TPO Staff

**Item Summary:** Staff will provide an update on recent TIP Administrative Modifications and project cost overrun funding approvals. The Local-Surface Transportation Block Grant program balance and status of Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) funding will also be reviewed.

**Attachment #4: TIP Administrative Modifications Summary** 

#### 9 Other Business

- Executive Board meeting Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 9 a.m. This meeting will be held in-person in the Small Assembly Room of the City-County Building.
- Technical Committee meeting Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at 9 a.m. This meeting may be held in-person in the Small Assembly Room of the City-County Building.
- Local governments in our region are eligible to apply to TDOT for Transportation
  Alternative Program funds for pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure projects.
  Applications are due to TDOT on Oct. 2. link
- Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) will host an in-person public meeting on September 21, 2021, to gather additional public input on the proposed project in Blount County on SR-162 EXT (Pellissippi Parkway), from SR-33 to SR-73 (US-321). The meeting will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at Heritage High School, 3741 E Lamar Alexander Parkway, Maryville, TN 37804.

https://www.tn.gov/tdot/projects/projects-region-1/pellissippi.html

#### 10 Public Comment

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

### 11 Adjournment

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